



**Mason County Promise Zone Authority Board
Meeting Minutes**

Monday, September 9, 2024: 3:00 p.m.

Location: Lakeshore Resource Network Conference Room, E. Tinkham, Ludington, MI

Members Present: Monica Jewell, Amy Pepper (arrived at 3:19), Joan Vidak, Chad Riffle (arrived at 3:05)
Roger Nash, Mike Haveman (arrived at 3:04), Fabian Knizacky, Annette Quillian, Kathy Surd

Members Absent: Vic Burwell, Michael Masters

Guest Present: Kyle Corlette

Staff Present: Myndi Dangler

1. **Call to Order:** *Jewell called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.*
2. **Limited Public Comment:** None
3. **Approval of the Agenda**
 - a. *Motion to approve the agenda by Knizacky with support from Nash; Motion carried 6-0-5.*
4. **Approval of Minutes from 08-12-2024**
 - a. *Motion by Nash to approve the minutes, supported by Knizacky; Motion carried 6-0-5.*
5. **Treasurer's Report:**
 - a. Balance Report for August 2024 for approval: \$1,984,871.64: Knizacky shared an overview of the Balance Report for the purpose of approval.
 - b. *Approval of Treasurer's Report & Invoices*
 - i. *Motion by Vidak to approve Treasurer's Report and invoices, with support from Surd; Motion carried 8-0-3*
6. **Director's Report - Shared in packet (Ref #2) Maloney was not in attendance**
 - a. Approval of the Director's Report: *Motion by Vidak to approve Director's Report, supported by Knizacky; Motion carried 8-0-3.*
7. **New Business**
 - a. Committee Reports: <https://www.masoncountypromise.org/minutes>
 - i. Appeals Committee: Met: 8-19-24 @ 11AM; Next Meeting 12-4-2024 @ 11AM
 1. There were four appeals presented to the board. Appeal # 89, Appeal #90, Appeal #91, and Appeal #92 all of which were surrounding GPA requirements. It was recommended that the board approve all four appeals.
 - a. *A motion was made by Vidak to approve Appeal #89, Appeal #90, Appeal #91, and Appeal #92 with support from Haveman; Motion carried 8-0-3*
 - ii. Student Success Committee: Did not meet; Next Meeting: 9-23-24@10AM
 1. No Recommendations
 - iii. Community Engagement Committee: Did not meet @10AM; Next Meeting: 11-6-24 @ 10AM
 1. *Ludington Daily News reached out sharing that when the Director or Board is ready, they would like to discuss possible advertising options.*

- iv. Executive Committee: Did not meet; Next Meeting: 10-21-24 @ 1PM
 - 1. Prior to the next meeting, Maloney has shared that she will request the proposals so that the board will have an estimated cost for converting the Mason County Promise website to make it ADA-compliant.

8. Old Business:

- a. None

9. Any Other Business:

- a. Annette shared ideas with the board on ways for students to utilize the Michigan Achievement Scholarship first and Promise Dollars second. One way was by increasing the GPA requirements. No action was taken on this at this point.
- b. Kathy also expressed the possibility of moving the meeting times. The board was open to future discussion on this topic for 2025.

10. Limited Public Comment: Kyle Corlette thanked everyone for what they do for the Promise and said that the advisors have been a great asset to the students.

11. Adjourn: *Jewell moved for adjournment at 3:34 PM*

Respectfully submitted by Myndi Dangler, Recording Secretary, 09-09-2024

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