The following meetings (work session and regular meeting) were held in compliance with the Sunshine Law and The Miami Conservancy District (MCD) and Subdistrict Bylaws. The meeting information was posted on MCD's website. Miami Valley news media and individuals requesting such notification were notified of the meetings by electronic mail dated June 17, 2026. The meetings were held at MCD headquarters located at 38 East Monument Avenue in Dayton, Ohio.

WORK SESSION

The work session of the Board of Directors of MCD was called to order at 9:08 a.m. by Michael H. van Haaren, President, with Beth G. Whelley, Vice President, and Mark G. Rentschler, member, present.

Members of the staff in attendance at the start of the work session: MaryLynn Lodor, General Manager/Board Secretary; James B. Casper, Manager of Operations and Maintenance; Sarah Hippensteel Hall, Manager of Communications, Outreach, and Stewardship; Donald P. O'Connor, Chief Engineer; Kenneth P. Moyer, Treasurer; Christina M. Pfeiffer, Executive Assistant; Shannon E. Phelps, Manager of Administration; and Barry M. Puskas, Chief of Technical and Engineering Services.

Legal counsel in attendance at the work session: John M. Hoopingarner, McMahon DeGulis LLP.

Guests in attendance at the work session: David Hayson, Stantec Consulting Services, Inc.; Lori Kershner, LMK Advocacy; Scott Milburn, Scott Milburn, LLC; and Constance Leach, a resident of West Milton, Ohio. Michael Lawrence, of Jack Faucett Analytics, attended via Teams.

Ms. Lodor began the work session by summarizing the progress made towards completing the Seventh Readjustment of the Appraisal of Benefits and Assessments.

BENEFIT ASSESSMENT STUDY
IMPLEMENTATION STATUS UPDATE (June 24, 2026)

Significant progress has been made on Phase 2 implementation activities associated with the Seventh Readjustment of the Appraisal of Benefits. Multiple workstreams are advancing concurrently, with a focus on completing the economic benefits, both direct and indirect, and calculating Equivalent Benefit Units (EBUs) with either two or three anticipated benefit zones: Direct (Primary Benefit Area), Indirect Zone A (Secondary Benefit Area), Indirect Zone B (Regional Benefit Area).

Current Status of Phase 2 Implementation Status

1. **Economic and Benefit Appraisal Analysis by Jack Faucett Analytics (JFA).**
   a. Analyses completed across all recommended categories, including:
      - NFIP administration impacts
      - Traffic delays (roads and bridges)
      - Environmental impacts

- Agricultural losses
- Utility service interruptions (water, wastewater, electric)
- Business interruption costs
- Emergency response (police, fire, EMS) and hospital services
- Life safety and displacement impacts

b. Deliverables in progress:
- Draft economic analysis report

2. **Hydrology, Hydraulics, Impervious Surface Analysis, and Equivalent Benefit Unit (EBU) Development by Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. (Stantec)**.

a. Advanced technical data development and coordination with JFA:
- Provided hydraulic modeling outputs, including hydrolic profiles and cross-section/bridge shapefiles
- Delivered water and wastewater treatment outage duration estimates to support indirect benefit modeling

b. Refined parcel and benefit area framework:
- Submitted updated parcel counts by county and floodplain status (inside/outside flood zone)
- Continued evaluation of direct benefit areas and interim benefit scenarios

c. Major deliverable completed:
- Submitted the Hydraulic Model Technical Memorandum (May 19, 2026)

d. Scenario development:
- Developed initial benefit and cost allocation scenarios based on preliminary data inputs

e. Ongoing work:
- Reviewing exempt parcel classifications based on land use codes and Ohio Revised Code
- Preparing for draft Appraisal Record development (planned for June 2026) following Board input
- Assisting MCD in coordination with Tyler Technologies to revise and prepare the database structure used for managing and applying parcel level- data associated with the new benefit appraisal model

f. Policy considerations:
- Caps on the number of EBUs
- Unit Benefits

Joint Board of Directors and Board of Appraisers Meeting – May 29, 2026

A joint meeting was held to present and discuss the Economic and Benefit Appraisal Analysis, including both Direct and Indirect Benefits. A follow-up meeting is scheduled with the Board of Appraisers for July 23, 2026, and another meeting is likely following the annual Conservancy Court meeting leading up to the completion of the Conservancy Appraisal Record (CAR), which is planned for public notice in November 2026.

Advisory Committee Reconvening

A fifth meeting of the Advisory Committee is planned for July 9, 2026, to share and update the benefits of the flood protection system and the new benefit appraisal and assessment method. The meeting will start with a tour of the Dayton Flood History exhibit at Carillion Park.

Preparing for the Seventh Readjustment Public Notice

In preparation for the CAR's public notice, MCD staff are hard at work to secure a contract with a call center and conducting ongoing public outreach, including the development of plain English guides to the new method. In addition, staff are developing the 2025-2026 Deed Annual Newsletter, exception hearing processes, and plans. Two dam tours are scheduled for the fall.

The annual meeting of the Conservancy Court is scheduled for August 21, 2026. At the meeting, the Court will be asked to recognize that the proposed boundary expansion would materially increase the benefits in such a manner as to require a new appraisal and to direct the Board of Appraisers to appraise property within the proposed new boundary. *See,* R.C. 6101.39.

M 2026-6817

The Board of Directors, on motion by Ms. Whelley and seconded by Mr. Rentschler, unanimously adjourned the work session at 10:40 a.m.

REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of MCD was called to order at 10:50 a.m. by Michael H. van Haaren, President, with Beth G. Whelley, Vice President, and Mark G. Rentschler, member, present.

Members of the staff in attendance at the regular meeting: MaryLynn Lodor, General Manager/Board Secretary; James B. Casper, Manager of Operations and Maintenance; Michael P. Ekberg, Manager of Monitoring and Analysis; Sarah Hippensteel Hall, Manager of Communications, Outreach, and Stewardship; Donald P. O'Connor, Chief Engineer; Kenneth P. Moyer, Treasurer; Christina M. Pfeiffer, Executive Assistant; Shannon E. Phelps, Manager of Administration; and Barry M. Puskas, Chief of Technical and Engineering Services.

Legal counsel in attendance at the regular meeting: John M. Hoopingarner, McMahon DeGulis LLP.

Guests in attendance at the work session: Lori Kershner, LMK Advocacy; Scott Milburn, Scott Milburn, LLC; and Constance Leach, a resident of West Milton, Ohio.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the Board of Directors regular meeting of March 25, 2026, were provided to members of the Board for review and comment.

M 2026-6818

The Board of Directors, on motion by Ms. Whelley and seconded by Mr. Rentschler, unanimously approved the meeting minutes for March 25, 2026.

Next, Mr. Moyer provided the MCD Interim Budget Report for the period ending May 31, 2026, for review and acceptance.

M 2026-6819

The Board of Directors, on motion by Mr. Rentschler and seconded by Ms. Whelley, unanimously accepted the Interim Budget Report as of May 31, 2026. In addition, the Board of Directors ordered that a copy of the report be kept on file.

Next, Mr. Moyer presented the MCD Investment Report for the period ending May 31, 2026.

INVESTMENT REPORT

MCD has funds invested in STAR Ohio and JPMorgan Money Market fund. The interest rates as of May 31, 2026, were:

- STAR Ohio account – 3.89%.
- Money Market account with JPMorgan Bank – 3.86% (1-year historical performance as of 5/31/2026) which is consistent with a typical Government Money Market Fund Yield.
- Checking and savings accounts – 0.01%.

MCD's goal is to continue to provide the highest investment return with maximum security while meeting all liquidity and operating demands. The primary objectives of investment activities, in order of priority, will continue to be safety, liquidity, and yield.

Amounts in each of MCD's investment accounts are shown in the Interim Budget Report.

Next, Mr. Moyer presented a report of the contributions and donations received through June 5, 2026.

CONTRIBUTIONS/DONATIONS

The following donors have contributed sponsorship dollars to the 2026 Great Miami Riverway Summit, Flood of Memories book, and MCD - General since the March 2026 Board meeting. The list below includes contributions/donations that have been received by MCD as of June 5, 2026. Should additional contributions be received, they will be reported at the next Board meeting.

2026 Great Miami Riverway Summit	Amount
Hamilton Community Foundation	$10,000
Mid-States Recreation	$ 2,500
City of Piqua	$ 1,000
Miami County Park District	$ 1,000

Great Lakes Publishing	$ 500
Hamilton Chamber of Commerce	$ 500
Five Rivers MetroParks	$ 500

MCD Flood Protection – Flood of Memories Book	**Amount**
City of Miamisburg	$ 5,000

Miami Conservancy District – General	**Amount**
Mr. George Hupp	$ 500

M 2026-6820

The Board of Directors, on motion by Mr. Rentschler and seconded by Ms. Whelley, unanimously accepted receipt of $21,500 collected through June 5, 2026, from the above sponsors for the 2026 Great Miami Riverway Summit, and the Flood of Memories book, and the Miami Conservancy District General Fund.

Next, Mr. Moyer presented a proposed supplemental appropriation.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION
River Corridor Improvement – Dick's Creek Bank Stabilization (City of Monroe)

NO.	FUND NAME	REVENUE	APPROPRIATION
200	River Corridor Improvement		$225,000

This supplemental appropriation request is necessary to cover MCD's contribution to a project along Dick's Creek in the City of Monroe. The project involves stabilizing the bank along an approximately eight hundred linear foot section to enable the construction of the City of Monroe's segment of the Great Miami River Recreation Trail.

The project is a partnership among MCD, MetroParks of Butler County, City of Monroe, and Monroe Area Community Improvement Corporation. The Monroe Area Community Improvement Corporation has agreed to be the Fund Custodian and Contracting Entity with the City of Monroe serving as the Project Administrator.

MetroParks of Butler County has agreed to contribute at least $375,000 up to $525,000 to the project. City of Monroe has agreed to contribute approximately $72,500 (project administration and field inspection) to the project.

MCD has agreed to contribute $225,000 to the project in addition to donating the land to the City of Monroe. MCD will also participate in project oversight throughout the period of construction.

M 2026-6821

The Board of Directors, on motion by Mr. Rentschler and seconded by Ms. Whelley, unanimously approved the supplemental appropriation ($225,000) for River Corridor Improvement (Fund 200) for MCD's contribution to the Dick's Creek Bank Stabilization project in the City of Monroe.

Next, Mr. Moyer presented a second proposed supplemental appropriation.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION
Sycamore Creek Bridge Replacement Project

NO.	FUND NAME	REVENU	APPROPRIATI(
200	River Corridor Improvement	$0	$30,000

In 2021, MCD received a $186,363 Transportation Alternatives grant through the Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission (MVRPC) to help offset construction costs for this project. ODOT managed bidding and construction. Under the cooperative agreement with ODOT, MCD is responsible for all costs that exceed the grant amount. The lowest and best bid was $473,958.87. MCD's originally estimated share of total project costs, including ODOT inspection, was $334,991.75.

The project experienced multiple small change orders during construction that ultimately resulted in a cumulative increase in the project cost. Most resulted in project cost changes, both increases and decreases, but some did not. During construction, it wasn't clear if an overall increase was imminent. A couple of high-water events required clean up and restoration work leading to two change orders. Another change order eliminated the typical ODOT requirement to groove the concrete deck surface which deducted that cost from the project. While another incorporated the use of an internal concrete curing compound in the deck pour requiring a no-cost change order. Several change orders were also needed to adjust estimated plan quantities to final measured quantities. The biggest single change order was due to a shortage in the plan quantity for wooden fencing, which resulted in a $13,700 increase.

As we await ODOT's final invoice for additional costs, it is possible that tracking and managing these change orders has increased ODOT's construction management efforts, which would also be MCD's responsibility to pay.

Based on preliminary estimates, staff is requesting a supplemental appropriation of $30,000 to cover all construction change orders and additional ODOT inspection efforts.

M 2026-6822

The Board of Directors, on motion by Mr. Rentschler and seconded by Ms. Whelley, unanimously approved the supplemental appropriation in the amount of $30,000 for River Corridor Improvement Subdistrict (Fund 200) for the Sycamore Creek Bridge Replacement construction project.

Next, Mr. Moyer proposed approval of a public depository for MCD funds.

FINANCE
Memorandum of Agreement – Deposit of Public Funds

Ohio Revised Code Section 135.12(B) requires a governing board to designate a public depository for a period of five years. The current depository agreement with JPMorgan Chase Bank is scheduled to expire on June 30, 2026.

The services provided by JPMorgan Chase Bank have been satisfactory. In the current environment, all financial institutions are rather limited to the amount of interest they can provide on deposit balances. Staff recommends renewal of JPMorgan Chase as the primary public depository for MCD moneys for the period of July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2031.

M 2026-6823

The Board of Directors, on motion by Mr. Rentschler and seconded by Ms. Whelley, unanimously approved the designation of JPMorgan Chase Bank as a public depository for The Miami Conservancy District for a period of five years (July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2031).

Next, staff presented a draft of the 2025 Annual Report of the Board of Directors to the Conservancy Court, combined with the Report of the Chief Engineer to the Board of Directors.

2025 ANNUAL REPORT/CHIEF ENGINEER'S REPORT

Section 6101.66 of the Ohio Revised Code requires that after the close of each fiscal year, the Board of Directors shall make a report to the Conservancy Court of its proceedings and an accounting of receipts and disbursements for the year. The report shall be presented to the full Court at its annual meeting and a copy filed with the Clerk of Courts as a record of the court.

Section 6101.12 of the Ohio Revised Code requires that the Chief Engineer, as superintendent of all the works and improvements, shall make a full report to the Board of Directors each year.

The final draft of the 2025 Annual Report of the Board of Directors to the Conservancy Court, combined with the Report of the Chief Engineer to the Board of Directors, was provided to the Board of Directors for review on May 29, 2026.

M 2026-6824

The Board of Directors, on motion by Mr. Rentschler and seconded by Ms. Whelley, unanimously approved the 2025 Annual Report of the Board of Directors to the Conservancy Court, combined with the Report of the Chief Engineer to the Board of Directors, for presentation to the Conservancy Court at its annual meeting on August 21, 2026.

Next, Mr. Puskas requested that the Board of Directors consider a change order that would allow Jack Faucett Analytics to complete some additional tasks.

Seventh READJUSTMENT OF BENEFITS
CHANGE ORDER – Jack Faucett Analytics

On November 7, 2025, the Board of Directors approved Motion M 2025-6790, authorizing the General Manager to enter into contracts for the revised benefit appraisal record work, with a total project budget not to exceed $950,000. All agreement Change Orders must be in writing and authorized by the Board of Directors prior to execution.

Jack Faucett Analytics (JFA) began work under Agreement No. 2025-027A on December 3, 2025, to further develop the economic benefits of the MCD system using a new methodology.

JFA has experienced delays and additional hours that were not fully accounted for in the original scope. On May 24, 2026, JFA submitted a detailed overrun table for the project costs, requesting additional compensation for work beyond the original contract scope. These overruns were specifically identified within Task 2: Structures, and Task 9: Injury, Fatality, and Other Health Effects. The total additional cost incurred across these tasks is $13,860.

JFA acknowledged it did not meet the requirements necessary to achieve the project incentive due to exceeding the agreed-upon schedule.

This Change Order authorizes the JFA request in the amount of $13,860 to offset the additional costs and the level of effort required to complete the work under Task 2 and Task 9.

This adjustment does not increase the overall contract amount but redistributes existing funds to account for actual project conditions and completed work.

MCD staff recommends that the Board of Directors authorize this Change Order No. 01 in the amount of $13,860.00 to reallocate the incentive amount to cover additional costs.

This change order amount remains within the $950,000 authorized budget. The current encumbered amount for Phase 2 of the Seventh Readjustment of Benefits is 85.6%, including the incentives.

M 2026-6825

The Board of Directors, on motion by Mr. Rentschler and seconded by Ms. Whelley, unanimously authorized the General Manager to execute Change Order No. 01 with Jack Faucett Analytics in the amount of $13,860.00 to reallocate the incentive amount to cover additional services required for Phase 2 of the Benefit Assessment Study.

Next, Dr. Hippensteel Hall reported on a grant for an historical marker to be placed at MCD headquarters.

GRANT FUNDING RATIFICATION

In December 2025, the Board of Directors passed a resolution authorizing staff to submit grant funding applications for various purposes. Staff have submitted the following grant requests:

Project Title*: Ohio Historical Marker at MCD headquarters*

Description: To seek approval and funding to install an Ohio Historical Marker at the MCD headquarters building.

Total Project Cost: $4,500.00

Grant Amount Requested: $1,000.00

Source: Ohio History Connection

The Miami Conservancy District Match: $3,500.00

Other Participants: N/A

Status: Application was submitted on May 1, 2026.

M 2026-6826
The Board of Directors, on motion by Mr. Rentschler and seconded by Ms. Whelley, unanimously ratified staff action regarding the grant funding request.

Next, Ms. Lodor presented information regarding the ongoing FEMA Levee Accreditation for levees in Montgomery County, Ohio.

FEMA LEVEE ACCREDITATION STATUS FOR MCD LEVEE SYSTEMS IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY, OHIO

FEMA levee accreditation is the process of demonstrating that levees meet federal standards for reducing flood risk and can be recognized as providing protection on FEMA flood maps. MCD has completed accreditation in all counties with levees except Montgomery County.

Work in Montgomery County has been underway since 2022, with much of the technical analysis and fieldwork complete or in progress. To date, most of the levee segments pass accreditation without any required actions – those segments requiring improvements are undergoing alternative analysis and design and construction funding is sought through PDAC. Remaining field work and technical analysis had been planned through 2027 but may be accelerated into 2026 to meet FEMA timelines. Schedules, scopes and budget are undergoing review for further consideration.

On June 5, 2026, MCD received the anticipated "Provisionally Accredited Levee (PAL) letters" from FEMA for approximately 12 levee segments across multiple local jurisdictions. The PAL process allows levees to remain recognized on FEMA maps while required documentation is completed.

The PAL letters require execution of an agreement by September 2, 2026, and establish a two-year period to submit all required engineering and operations documentation. MCD is seeking clarification from FEMA and plans to confirm technical details and expectations and provide local coordination with the affected communities.

MCD is closely coordinating data collection, engineering analysis, and documentation efforts to stay on schedule. MCD will execute the PAL agreements, along with the jurisdictions where the PAL is required, continue advancing technical work, and provide updates to the Board as progress continues.

Next, Mr. O'Connor discussed a permit request to build a new home within a flood-prone area that was denied due to an elevation restriction contained in the property owner's deed.

PROPERTY
ENGLEWOOD STORAGE BASIN
APPEAL OF PERMIT REQUEST DECISION

The 8.22 acre property at 4950 Frederick-Garland Road, West Milton, Ohio, is almost entirely located within the Englewood Storage Basin below the spillway elevation of 876. Most property deeds in the Englewood Storage Basin prohibit building new structures at an elevation below 871. However, the deed for this property is more restrictive and prohibits new buildings below elevation 876.

Ms. Constance Leach owns the property in question and has informed MCD staff that she would like to subdivide the property so a new house can be built. Ms. Leach submitted a Storage Basin Permit application to MCD for a habitable structure. MCD staff reviewed and denied the application based on the aforementioned restrictions in the deed since there is no room to build on the property above elevation 876.

Ms. Leach has appealed the permit denial arguing that MCD has allowed neighbors to build homes down to elevation 871. Ms. Leach is correct that the MCD Board of Directors has granted permission to at least one neighbor. The Board heard an appeal from Ms. Budding in September of 2024, and allowed a permit to be granted to build a habitable structure down to elevation 871.

The deed restrictions on Ms. Leach and Ms. Budding's properties are the same, and in fact are from the same deed which used to encompass a larger farm parcel prior to being split many years ago. Deed restrictions on most other properties in the basin and in close proximity to the Leach and Budding properties allow homes down to elevation 871.

Through this process, staff also found that there is an existing home on Ms. Leach's property below elevation 876 that appears to be above elevation 871. This house has existed since at least 1974 and is not currently permitted by MCD. Ms. Leach is also requesting that the current house be permitted to remain.

Staff has not found compelling evidence that would support stricter building restrictions on this property compared to others at similar elevations in the Englewood Storage Basin. If approved by the Board, Ms. Leach would need to provide detailed survey and site plan data proving that the location of the existing house and the location of the proposed house both have existing ground elevations above 871 prior to MCD staff granting permits for these structures.

M 2026-6827

The Board of Directors, on motion by Mr. van Haaren and seconded by Ms. Whelley, unanimously granted an exception to the elevation restriction on Ms. Leach's deed, reducing it from elevation 876 to 871. A permit will be issued by Miami Conservancy District for the existing house on Ms. Leach's property that is above elevation 871. Any future habitable structure built on this property in the Englewood Storage Basin must be above the natural ground elevation of 871 and permitted by MCD. The property will continue to be subject to any other restrictions on the deed.

Next, Ms. Lodor updated the board on MCD progress regarding its 2025 Strategic Plan.

2025 STRATEGIC PLAN ACCOMPLISHMENTS RECAP

In 2025, the Miami Conservancy District (MCD) made significant progress advancing its strategic plan across all core focus areas. Below is a summary of key accomplishments supporting regional flood protection, water stewardship, recreation, and organizational excellence.

Flood Protection

MCD strengthened the region's flood protection system through targeted investments, improved asset management, and enhanced preparedness capabilities.

- Established new capital and grant funding mechanisms to support long-term flood protection needs.
- Continued implementation of the Benefit Assessment Study and advanced preparations for the Seventh Readjustment of Benefits.
- Expanded risk-informed decision-making through participation in the USACE Levee Screening Tool program and development of a semi-quantitative risk analysis framework.
- Completed system-wide inspections and improved maintenance tracking processes.
- Enhanced engineering project delivery through Stage Gate reviews and GIS-based tracking tools.
- Conducted emergency preparedness training, updated Emergency Action Plans, and strengthened regional coordination.
- Executed extensive public communications campaigns related to flood awareness, flood events, and the Readjustment process, reaching millions of stakeholders.

Water Stewardship

MCD continued to serve as a regional leader in water resource management through increased transparency, collaboration, and data accessibility.

- Expanded GeoPort capabilities and launched CitizenServe to improve public access to permitting and land information.
- Advanced digitization of land records and GIS-based land management frameworks.
- Participated in key regional initiatives, including the Southwest Ohio Water Study and CREP program development.
- Strengthened partnerships with environmental and conservation organizations.
- Developed public-facing tools, GIS resources, and educational materials to enhance transparency and engagement.
- Advanced integrated land use, ecological, and watershed planning efforts.

Recreation & Heritage

The Great Miami Riverway experienced strong growth, with increased public participation, regional collaboration, and economic impact.

- Successfully delivered major Riverway events, including the Great Float, River Ride, Smallmouth Bass Fishing Challenge, and Half Marathon.
- Achieved record participation and engagement across programs and activities.

- Hosted an award-winning Riverway Summit with more than 2,000 attendees and secured sponsorships for 2025 and 2026.
- Expanded marketing through digital campaigns, tourism partnerships, and media outreach.
- Supported trail development, connectivity, and regional transportation initiatives.
- Strengthened partnerships with communities, MetroParks, and economic development organizations.
- Implemented safety improvements, signage upgrades, and trail maintenance projects.

Best-in-Class Conservancy District

MCD advanced organizational excellence through investments in workforce, technology, financial management, and communications.

- Received a clean annual audit and maintained timely financial reporting.
- Supported recruitment, onboarding, and retention efforts amid elevated workforce turnover.
- Delivered comprehensive employee relations, performance management, and policy support.
- Successfully negotiated health insurance renewals while controlling cost increases.
- Implemented organizational restructuring within Operations & Maintenance and Engineering to improve efficiency and accountability.
- Launched a multi-phase Microsoft 365 modernization initiative, including SharePoint, Teams, cybersecurity enhancements, and development of an employee intranet.
- Advanced planning for a paperless payroll system.
- Expanded communications efforts, resulting in increased public engagement and media visibility.
- Explored alternative revenue opportunities, including gravel mining and federal funding programs.

Next, the Board of Directors considered the election of officers for 2026-2027.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Miami Conservancy District Bylaws state that:

"Officers of the Board of Directors shall be elected during the regular meeting of the Board held in the second quarter of each calendar year."

Officers to be elected shall be:

President
Vice President
Secretary
(In accordance with O.R.C. Sec. 6101.11)

M 2025-6828

The Board of Directors, on motion by Ms. Whelley, seconded by Mr. Rentschler, unanimously elected Mr. van Haaren to serve as President.

M 2025-6829

The Board of Directors, on motion by Mr. Rentschler, seconded by Mr. van Haaren, unanimously elected Ms. Whelley to serve as Vice President.

M 2025-6830

The Board of Directors, on motion by Mr. van Haaren, seconded by Mr. Rentschler, unanimously elected Ms. Lodor to serve as Board Secretary.

Next, Ms. Phelps presented policies regarding information technology and cybersecurity for MCD employees.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & CYBERSECURITY POLICIES

The following policies are being presented for Board approval to ensure compliance with Ohio Revised Code § 9.64 and Ohio Auditor of State Bulletin 2025-007, which require public entities to formally adopt a cybersecurity program and supporting policies.

These requirements were established to ensure that government entities protect sensitive data and critical systems, prevent and respond to ransomware and cyber incidents, maintain operational continuity, and meet mandatory reporting and audit standards.

Policy 520 – Information Technology Acceptable Use

Defines how employees and authorized users may use MCD technology systems and it protects systems from misuse.

- Establishes acceptable and prohibited activities
- Clarifies that systems are monitored
- Reinforces that data may be subject to public records laws

Policy 521 – Cybersecurity Incident Response Plan (CIRP)

Outlines how MCD identifies, responds to, and recovers from cybersecurity incidents. Ensures rapid, coordinated response to cyber threats and compliance with reporting laws.

- Defines what constitutes a cybersecurity incident
- Establishes response phases (identify, contain, recover, etc.)
- Requires reporting within defined timeframes
- Includes ransomware response restrictions

Policy 522 – Written Information Security Program (WISP)

Defines the administrative, technical, and physical safeguards used to protect MCD data. Provides a comprehensive framework for protecting sensitive information.

- Includes access control, encryption, training, and risk assessments
- Establishes data classification and vendor security requirements
- Supports compliance with cybersecurity standards

Policy 523 – Cybersecurity Program Policy

Serves as the umbrella policy required by Ohio law. Meets statutory requirements and provides overall cybersecurity governance.

- Formally adopts the cybersecurity program
- Incorporates Policies 520–525 as components
- Aligns with recognized frameworks (NIST, CIS)
- Establishes governance, risk management, and training requirements

Policy 524 – Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)

Regulates the use of personal devices for MCD business. Enables flexibility while protecting organizational data.

- Requires security controls (encryption, MFA, etc.)
- Ensures public records compliance
- Allows IT to remove MCD data when necessary

M 2025-6831

The Board of Directors, on motion by Mr. Rentschler, seconded by Ms. Whelley, unanimously adopted the Cybersecurity Program Policy and all supporting policies.

Next, Ms. Lodor requested approval of a resolution honoring Michael P. Ekberg, Manager of Monitoring and Analysis. Mr. Ekberg has announced his intention to retire effective June 30, 2026, with more than 26 years of service with Miami Conservancy District.

M 2025-6832

The Board of Directors, on motion by Mr. Rentschler, seconded by Ms. Whelley, unanimously adopted the following resolution honoring Michael P. Ekberg.

R 2026-1947

RESOLUTION HONORING
MICHAEL P. EKBERG

WHEREAS, The Miami Conservancy District protects lives and property through a comprehensive flood protection system, encourages water stewardship, and promotes recreation and enjoyment of our waterways in southwest Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Michael P. Ekberg has been employed by The Miami Conservancy District for more than 26 years beginning on February 28, 2000; and

WHEREAS, Michael P. Ekberg in his years with The Miami Conservancy District has served The Miami Conservancy District and the residents of the Miami Valley well; and

WHEREAS, this Board would like to take special notice of the diligent and loyal service Michael P. Ekberg provided to The Miami Conservancy District during his years of service while working as Manager of Water Resources and Analysis; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors further recognizes the dedicated and professional manner in which Michael P. Ekberg carried out his duties; and

WHEREAS, Michael P. Ekberg has announced his intention to retire from The Miami Conservancy District on June 30, 2026.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of The Miami Conservancy District do hereby commend Michael P. Ekberg for his many years of exemplary service to The Miami Conservancy District and the citizens of the Miami Valley.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board of Directors adjourned to Executive Session, on motion by Ms. Whelley and seconded by Mr. Rentschler, for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter as allowed by Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(3). Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Mr. van Haaren, aye; Ms. Whelley, aye; and Mr. Rentschler, aye. Executive Session began at 12:43 p.m.

Staff members present at the Executive Session: MaryLynn Lodor, General Manager/Board Secretary; and Shannon E. Phelps, Manager of Administration.

Legal Counsel present at the Executive Session: John M. Hoopingarner, McMahon DeGulis LLP.

A motion to exit the Executive Session was made and moved by Mr. Rentschler and seconded by Ms. Whelley. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting returned to open session at 12:56 p.m.

FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

At their December 17, 2025, meeting, the Board members set the following dates for future 2026 meetings of the Board of Directors of The Miami Conservancy District:

Wednesday, August 26, 2026

Thursday, December 17, 2026

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned on motion by Ms. Whelley and seconded by Mr. Rentschler at 12:57 p.m.

ATTEST:

MaryLynn Lodor

MaryLynn Lodor
General Manager/Board Secretary

APPROVED:

Michael Van Haaren

Michael H. van Haaren
President