



Marion Community Unit School District # 2

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Superintendent Summary February 20, 2018 – Board Meeting

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

All members present

Pledge of Allegiance

Lincoln Elementary 1st grade students led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Example of Educational Excellence

Lincoln Elementary 1st grade teachers, Janet Taylor, Melanie Davis, Sarah Francis and Erika Stout along with some of their students presented a portion of their President's Day program. The students portrayed U.S. Presidents and gave interesting facts about their president. The Board enjoyed their presentation and were invited to their full performance at Lincoln Elementary.

Audience to Visitors

The following individuals spoke to the Board:

1. Abby Childers and Phyllis Landwehr, Longfellow Elementary staff members, invited the Board to the Longfellow Elementary "Super Family Literacy Night" On March 13, 2018.
2. Rachel Disney and Demita Martinez, Adams School staff members, invited Board to a spaghetti supper fundraiser for the Mieldezis family on March 8, 2018.
3. Rebecca Dycus expressed her concerns about safety/backpacks at the high school.
4. Heather Goines-Evans expressed her concerns about safety and offered her opinions and assistance.
5. Jerry Whitt expressed his concerns about safety in schools and buses.
6. Bradley Marks, MHS student, offered his opinions and those of fellow students on safety at the high school.
7. Kelly Holland, MEA President, conveyed membership concerns on the request for change of assignment procedures.
8. Lance Hafeli, MHS ROTC instructor, expressed his opinions on school safety and the need for a positive attitude towards changes made. He also stated that everyone needs to work together in the effort to enhance safety.

Closed Session

The Board voted 7-0 to enter into closed session for the purposes of emergency security procedures and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to actual danger to the safety of employees, students, staff, the public or public property and the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body.



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Consent Agenda

The Board voted 7-0 to approve the consent agenda as presented:

- a. **Minutes** - the minutes from the January 16, 2018 regular meeting
- b. **Bills** – the January supplementary bills and the February bills for payment as presented.
- c. **Donations**
 - i. Squire Boone Village/Rick Conway to MJHS – Candy for Student Council.

Personnel Recommendations

The Board voted 7-0 to approve the following personnel recommendations as presented:

Employment:

Certified

Amber Akes, Art teacher assigned to Marion High School, effective at the start of the 2018-2019 school year.

Ashley Farthing, 2nd grade teacher assigned to Lincoln Elementary, effective at the start of the 2018-2019 school year pending graduation and certification.

Melissa Farley, Social Worker assigned to Adams School and Marion Junior High School, effective at the start of the 2018-2019 school year.

Cynthia McCarty, Kindergarten teacher assigned to Jefferson Elementary, effective at the start of the 2018-2019 school year.

Makane Salerno, Math teacher assigned to Marion High School, effective at the start of the 2018-2019 school year.

Somer Slone, 3rd grade teacher assigned to Lincoln Elementary, effective at the start of the 2018-2019 school year.

Marion Junior High School Summer School Teachers: Daniel Edwards–Social Studies, Jason Varner–Math, Cody Maze–Science, and Adam Disney–English.

Non-certified

Laura Dial, Custodian assigned to Jefferson Elementary, effective February 19, 2018.

Tucker Sullivan, MHS Girls Assistant Track Coach, effective immediately.

Tarynn Taylor, MHS Girls Volunteer Track Coach, effective immediately.

Jihad Wright, MHS Volunteer Assistant Football Coach, effective immediately.



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Personnel Recommendations

Reassignments for the 2018-2019 School Year:

Courtney Griffith, Jefferson Elementary Kindergarten to Jefferson Elementary 2nd grade.

Michelle Kadela, Adams School 5th grade to Washington Elementary 3rd grade.

Jess Landes, Lincoln Elementary 3rd grade to Elementary Digital Literacy.

Amy Vickery, MJHS Math to MJHS Social Studies.

Kerri Young, Lincoln Elementary 2nd grade to Elementary Digital Literacy.

Leaves of Absence:

Jaela Doss, Jefferson Elementary Nurse, a maternity leave of absence from September 17, 2018 through October 19, 2018 using accumulated sick and vacation leave.

Deborah Swan, Custodian assigned to Jefferson Elementary, a medical leave of absence using accumulated sick and vacation leave.

Resignations:

Scott Gimmy, MHS Scholar Bowl Coach, effective June 1, 2018.

Bradley Griffith, MJHS 8th Grade Boys' Basketball Coach, effective immediately.

Jessica Lenon, Adams School Nurse, effective March 12, 2018.

Siovhon Melvin, MHS Girls Assistant Track Coach, effective immediately.

Retirement:

Jeff Wilson, Custodian assigned to Lincoln Elementary, effective July 31, 2018.

Chromebook Lease Agreement

The Board voted 7-0 to approve Chromebook lease agreement with American Capital Financial Services, Inc. as presented.

2018-2019 Calendar

The Board voted 7-0 to approve the 2018-2019 school calendar as presented.



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Technology Report

E-Rate Proposals being reviewed preparing to sign agreements

Continued work on the new web site

Preparation for upcoming chromebook shipment

Continuous monitoring of the Hapara Pilot Program

CrisisGo updates and data sync

Responded to 75 Tech requests

Research and planning for additional wireless improvements for elementary schools

Finalized plans for infrastructure upgrade at Jefferson and Longfellow

Maintenance Report

Building Custodians are sanitizing all buildings to help prevent further spread of the flu.

Custodians and Maintenance have put in extra time and effort to clear ice/snow for events and school.

Maintenance continues work order requests, preventive maintenance items, along with any emergency that may present itself.

Assistant Superintendent Report

Student Special Recognition

February 2018

Academic

Marion High School

Deven Madhani has been named as an Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy State Scholar.

Sports

Marion High School

Basketball (Freshman Boys) – Placed 3rd in the South 7 tournament.

Basketball (Girls) – Congratulations to the team on the first winning season in seven years.

Bass Fishing – Drew Herrmann and Wyatt Gabby placed 19th out of 241 in the Mossy Oak Bassmaster Central Open Tournament. This placement qualified them for this summer's high school Bassmaster Classic.

Bowling – Kaitlin Neikes advanced to Girls Bowling Sectional tournament.

Dance Team – The MHS Dance team placed 1st at the Illinois Dance Team Association Competition and are the IDTA AA Kick State Champions.

Color Guard – The MHS Color Guard placed 1st at the Illinois Dance Team Association Competition. Jaylen Rice-Locket placed 3rd at and Taylor Bundren placed 5th during solo competition.



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Sports

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Wrestling – Gaige Owens, Rohan Cook, Michael Cantrell and River Flute advance to the Wrestling Sectional tournament. Michael Cantrell won the Sectional at 195lbs to advance to the State tournament for the 3rd time.

Marion Junior High School

Basketball (Boys) – The 8th grade boys' basketball teams won the SIJHSAA Class L Regional title and placed 3rd at the State tournament. Isaiah McLorn and Ray Bardo were invited to play in the SIJHSAA Class L All-Star game.

Basketball (Girls) – Gracie Connor and Lily Garrett were invited to play in the SIJHSAA Class L All-Star game.

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Clubs/Extracurricular

Marion High School

Band – Katie Frerichs was selected to perform with the Honor Band at ILMEA All-State. She auditioned and received second chair trumpet out of 1000s of trumpets in the state. This is the highest chair ranking for ILMEA All-State a Marion musician has received in MHS Band history.

FBLA – Students competed at Southern Area Conference at SIU. Thirty one of those competing placed in the top 3 for their events. Results are as follows:

1st Place

American Enterprise Project: Abby Mausey, Natalie Mausey & Faith Enrietto

Battle of the Chapters: Noah Cash, Matt Crabtree & Hezekiah Goodman

Community Service Project: Lauryn Kadela, Bea Mwansa & Lissa Villa

Digital Video Production: Nick Cornaghie, Brett Lewis & Noah Mofield

Economics: Jacob Janz

Introduction to Business: Tessa Bradley

Networking Concepts: Alec Tonazzi

Who's Who in FBLA: Bradley Marks

2nd Place

Banking & Financial Systems: Noah Cash & Dylan Motsinger

Broadcast Journalism: Katie Frerichs & Laney Olson

Business Ethics: Kylie Plant

Electronic Career Portfolio: Jacob Rice

Emerging Business Issues: Amanda Cantrell & Abby O'Keefe

Entrepreneurship: Matt Crabtree, Austin Palmer & Ryan Palmer

Marketing: Hezekiah Goodman & Benjamin Shore



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3rd Place

Accounting 2: Mackenzie Orange

Introduction to Business: Shaelen Hudson

Introduction to Business Presentation: Emily Jones & Victoria Shore

Robotics –The Transistor Titans won the Innovate Award, were part of the winning alliance and were nominated for the Think & Design Awards. The team advanced to the State Championship. Team members are: Chris Atlee, Josh Bloodworth, Zach Glass, Noah Gray, Isabella Hayes, Nick Kucharski, Wyatt Messamore, Nathaniel Tooley & Liam Wallace. The Mechanical Muses won the Connect Award and could possibly be invited to attend the State Championship. Team members are: Autumn Belt, Shelby Forbes, Rylee Hammonds, Nina Pemberton & Emily Rubright.

Treasurer's Report

The District is 58% of the way through the fiscal year as of January 31, 2018. The Education Fund expenditures are at 56.40% and Operations and Maintenance Fund expenditures are at 57.62%. Expenditures for all district funds are at 61.50%

Adjournment

The Board voted 7-0 to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 p.m.