

Regular Meeting – April 18, 2023  
The Board of Education  
Community Unit School District No. 2  
Williamson County, Illinois

**Call to Order**

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

**Roll Call**

All board members present.

**Appoint New Board Member**

**Motion #1:** It was moved by Cindy Gibbons and seconded by Patty Bundren to appoint Jared Garrison to the Marion CUSD #2 Board of Education for the remainder of the vacant term (2021-2025). Motion carried.

**Swear in New Board Member**

Board President Bleyer swore in Jared Garrison as the new board member.

**Example of Educational Excellence**

Michelle Kadela, Washington Elementary 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher, shared with the Board her classroom Historical Person Project. Mrs. Kadela's students research historical people and then present their research as that famous person. Students (Sophia Bryant, Jackson Clendenin, Wil Haseker, Mackinna Mahan, Anaya McCauley, Harrison Meacham, Mattie Roberts, Brynlee Williams, Callen Young and Cooper Young) dressed as their historical person, shared their presentations with board members. The students did a great job and the board appreciated them and their parents for attending the meeting.

**Board Member Recognition**

Board President Bleyer recognized John Barwick (2015-2023) and Cindy Gibbons (2019-2023) for their distinguished service to the District.

**Audience to Visitors**

No comments offered.

**Marion Education Association**

No comments offered.

**Consent Agenda**

**Motion #2:** It was moved by John Barwick and seconded by Cindy Gibbons to approve consent agenda as presented:

- a. **Minutes** - the minutes from the March 21, 2023 regular and closed meetings.
- b. **Bills** – the March supplementary bills and the April bills for payment as presented.
- c. **Donations**
  - i. Alpha Delta Kappa Sorority to MJHS – hygiene bags/laundry detergent
  - ii. Marion Noon Rotary to the Wildcat Way Fund – \$5,000.00
- d. **Participation in 2023-2024 Programs**  
Motion carried.

### **Athletic Training Agreement**

**Motion #3:** It was moved by Cindy Gibbons and seconded by John Barwick to approve the Athletic Training Agreement between Select Physical Therapy Holdings, Inc. and Marion CUSD #2 as presented. Motion carried.

### **Personnel Recommendations**

**Motion #4:** It was moved by John Barwick and seconded by Brice Wesley to approve the following personnel recommendations as presented.

#### **EMPLOYMENT:**

##### **Certified**

Lexi King, First Grade Teacher assigned to Lincoln Elementary, effective for the 2023-2024 school year.

Justin Crain, English Teacher assigned to Marion High School, effective for the 2023-2024 school year.

##### **Elementary Summer School Teachers:**

Adams: Kindergarten: Demita Martinez, 1<sup>st</sup> Grade: Amy Wilson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade: Open, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: Melissa Lundgren, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade: Colton Allen, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade: Micah Colboth, Reading: Teresa Grant, Specials: Jamie Dodds, Guidance: Hassi Loucks, Special Education: Leah Bailey.

Lincoln: Kindergarten: Nicole Allen, Cayenne Haseker, Lisa Pinkston, Marci Tarlton, and Sonya Thompson; 1<sup>st</sup> Grade: Leah Browning, Ashley Farthing, Lauryn Kadela, Ashleigh Maze, Ally Pecord and Haley Strunk; 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade: Melissa Bundren, Tyra Hill and Amber Stanfill; 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: Emily Culbreth, Michelle Kadela and Malinee Kraus; 4<sup>th</sup> Grade: Kristy Allardyce (6/13-16), Amber Fike, Kimberly Frankel, and Amber Mitchell; 5<sup>th</sup> Grade: Angela Randolph, Madison Shoukletovich, and Travis Vickery; Reading: Malea Howell, Holly Neal, Natalia Rios, Wendy Springvloed, Heather Stepter and Kellie Treece; Specials: Jamie Dodds and Taylor Nigro; Guidance/Social Workers: Cory Bushue and Jill Morthland; Special Education: Hannah Browning, Liz Jeralds, Rachel Hatton and Sandy Lipper; Math Support: Mark Adkins, Stephanie Brown, Roxanne Price and Andy Randolph.

##### **MJHS/Adams Summer School Teachers:**

MJHS: Alana Adkins, Nichole Ashmore, Derek Bennet, Adam Disney, Durenda Fuchs, Mike Kraus, Cody Maze, Christie Sanders, Jason Varner and Amy Vickery. Support Staff: Jessica Pouncil and Pattie Stutz.

Adams: Reid Roper and Kelly Simmerman.

MHS Summer School Teachers: Kerry Martin -- Civics; Lucas Launius -- Global Studies; Driver Education -- Eli Baker, Marty Cameron and Dean Schulmeister; Jenna Herbst -- Math; Jeff Tarlton -- PE; Janna Gillespie -- Credit Recovery; Laura Sanders -- English; Trebor Hill -- Health; Mike Horn -- Science.

##### **Non-Certified**

Janet Butler, Crossing Guard assigned to Marion High School, effective March 27, 2023.

## **Personnel Recommendations (con't)**

### **Coaching**

Tim Mieldezis, MJHS Boys Head Basketball Coach, effective for the 2023-2024 season.

### **LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Megan Thompson, Reading Specialist assigned to Washington Elementary, effective May 4, 2023 through the end of the 2022-2023 school year.

### **REASSIGNMENT**

Lauren Luce, 2023-2024 Elementary Support Teacher assigned to Washington Elementary to First Grade Teacher assigned to Washington Elementary for the 2023-2024 school year.

### **RESIGNATIONS**

Laren Evetts, Assistant Principal assigned to Washington Elementary, effective June 23, 2023.

Abbie Hart, First Grade Teacher assigned to Washington Elementary, effective May 22, 2023.

Timmy Phillips, Custodian assigned to Marion Junior High, effective April 4, 2023.

Jessie Wallace, Adams Cheer Coach, effective immediately.

Lola Wolaver, Cook assigned to Lincoln Elementary, effective March 31, 2023.  
Motion carried.

### **INTRODUCTION OF NEW FACULTY MEMBER**

Justin Crain, MHS English Teacher – Mrs. Laura Sanders, MHS English Teacher

## **Bids & Proposals**

**Motion #5:** It was moved by Cindy Gibbons and seconded by John Barwick to award the electricity contract to Dynegy (Homefield Energy) for 2 years at 0.08985 per kwh for the time period of January 2024 through December 2026. Motion carried.

## **Depository Banks**

**Motion #6:** It was moved by John Barwick and seconded by Marc Henshaw to authorize the following banks as depositories for the 2023-2024 school year (this action is taken on a yearly basis):

Peoples National Bank	Fifth Third Bank	Southern Trust
Farmers Bank	Legence Bank	Banterra Bank
Bank of Herrin	First Southern Bank	Regions Bank
First Mid-Illinois Bank & Trust	Liquid Asset Fund	

Motion carried.

### **Depository Banks**

**Motion #7:** It was moved by John Barwick and seconded by Marc Henshaw to authorize the following banks as depositories for the 2023-2024 school year (this action is taken on a yearly basis):

U.S. Bank  
Motion carried.

### **Board Policy Review**

Review the following board policies: 2:110, 4:60, 5:125, 5:150, 5:260, 5:30, 5:90, 6:135, 6:230, 8:20, 4:40, 5:285, 6:210, 8:70. Vote on policies at the May meeting.

### **Technology Report**

Infinite Campus – Data Clean up/Parent Portal- On-going.  
Scheduling the delivery of new Chromebooks for the Jr. High for the 23-23 SY.  
Coordinating with MJHS for the collection of old Chromebooks.  
Monitoring IAR and ISA testing – district wide.  
Weekly Processing parent accounts – Securly.  
District website updates for the 2023-2024 SY.  
Responded to 88 Tech Requests.  
Monitoring of IAR and ISA testing.  
Weekly processing of District Homeless/Demographics Report.  
Server monitoring and maintenance at all buildings.  
Daily network monitoring both wired and WiFi, to ensure reliability - District-wide.  
Weekly monitoring Lightning Detection System – MHS.  
Creation of student email addresses for new in-coming students.  
Asset Inventory.  
Deployment of new technology equipment when received.  
Chromebook repair/replace for all Elem schools. On-site repair. C.A.T.S students.

### **Maintenance Report**

#### **Buildings**

Summer Construction Projects:

- **Jr. High** - Fire Alarm replacement has already begun, the contractors are working evening shift running new conduit and mounting boxes on the walls to get ready for the new system.
- **Jr. High**- Exterior waterproofing EIFS work is set to begin April 17th, they might start getting items in place on April 14th.
- **Jr. High** - Interior Door project will begin once school is out for the year.
- **Jefferson, Pre K** -Roof and door project will begin after school is out for the year.
- **Lincoln and Jefferson** -Parking lots cannot begin until school is out for the year.
- **Adams and High School** - Exterior Stair repainting project will begin once school is out for the year.
- **Washington Fire Alarm and HVAC** - This work will begin when school is out for the year.

### **Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Oates stated the Marion Unit #2 Foundation will be holding their annual banquet at the Marion Pavilion on Thursday, April 20, 2023.

## Assistant Superintendent Report

Mrs. Moss informed the Board there are 246 Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade students registered for summer school. She also shared Kindergarten registration will be taking place on Thursday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at the Administration Office.

## Student Special Recognition

### Academic

#### Marion High School

**Art** – Killian Rajmaker had an art piece selected for the National Scholastic Art Competition. Only 1% of art students that enter the completion have a chance of having their artwork selected for the national show. This year over 260,000 pieces of artwork were submitted and only 2000 pieces will be shown. He will also receive a National Gold Medal.

**CAD** – Ten MHS CAD students competed at the SIU Drafting Competition. The following are the results: Eden Brauner – 1<sup>st</sup> place in Introductory CAD, Carter Baer – 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Assembly Modeling, Nolan Rix – 3<sup>rd</sup> place in Assembly Modeling, Chandler Phemister – 1<sup>st</sup> place in 3D CAD Modeling, Jaxon Lawrence – 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Machine CAD, Zane Cain – 1<sup>st</sup> place in Architectural CAD 2D and Luke Cooper – 3<sup>rd</sup> place in Architectural CAD 2D.



**CATS** – Carly Eichhorn completed the Google IT Support Professional Certificate course through Coursera! She is in in the CATS lab every morning troubleshooting software, repairing hardware, and providing excellent customer service to our students and staff seeking help with their pieces of technology.





## Assistant Superintendent Report (con't)

### Student Special Recognition

**Spanish** – The following students were inducted into Spanish Honor Society this week. Khaner Barber, D'Antre Berry, Addisyn Blue, Parker Bradshaw, Carsen Chelin, Audrey Childers, Tally Cockburn, Kyra Graham, Tyler Henry, Addison Hunziker, Maddyn Kraus, Carter Lang, Haydan Little, Jobi McCann, London McGuire, McClellan Meacham, Abby Perez-Mimendi, Benjamin Nicolaides, Lana Orrill, Troy Robinson, Grace Roper, Aubree Thompson, Riece Utley, McKenna Walters and Lea Wong.

### Marion Junior High School

**Band** – The Symphonic Band and the Jazz Band both received the top rating of "Superior" at the MGSMA Organization Contest.

### Clubs/Extra Curricular

#### Marion High School

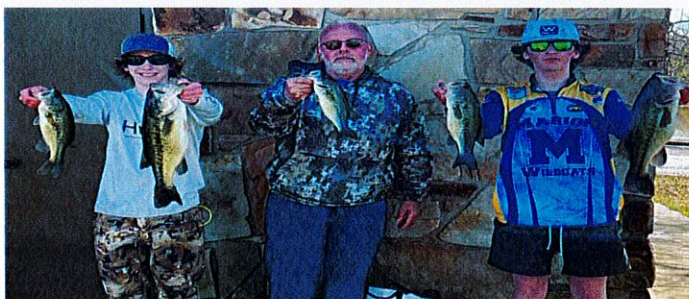
**FFA** – Congratulations to our Ag Mechanics team for placing 1st in the Section! Also congratulations to Claire Wittenborn for placing 1st overall in welding and Gavin McGee for placing 1st overall in Carpentry!



### Sports

#### Marion High School

**Bass Fishing** – Congratulations to Kolby Baker and Jake Williams for taking 1<sup>st</sup> place in the IBN tournament at Kinkaid Lake. Carson Bruner and Landon Gabby finished in 4<sup>th</sup> place.



**Basketball (Boys)** – Evan Noelle was selected 2022-2023 SICA All-South.

**Basketball (Girls)** – Jerzy Bittle was selected 2022-2023 SICA All-South.

**Dance** – London McGuire was named the 8countaudio Southern Illinois Dancer of the Year!

**Soccer** – In their final matchup at Wildcat Stadium, the Lady Wildcats take down BellevilleAlthoff for the first time in school history!





## Assistant Superintendent Report (con't)

### Student Special Recognition

**Track (Boys)** – The Wildcat Track & Field took 2nd in the blue division at the 2023 O'Fallon Relays! The Cats set 2A meet records in the distance medley (10:50) and 4x800 (8:14)!

**Track (Boys)** – The Wildcat Track & Fields 4x400 Meter Relay finished 4th overall today with a PR of (3:34.78) at the 23' Prep Top Times Indoor State Finals!



### Sports

#### Marion High School

**Track (Girls)** – The Lady Wildcats showed up and put on a great effort today at the Marion Outdoor!



### Sports

#### Adams School

##### Boys Track

**April 1:** The Adams boys track team won the Unity Christian Invitational that was held at Herrin High School!



**April 12:** The Adams boys track team placed 8th overall out of 30 teams at the Jo Campbell Invitational that was held at Pinckneyville High School! The boys set 4 new school records set at this meet:

The 4x200 Meter Relay team of Nathan Londrigan (8<sup>th</sup>), Bryant Cochran (8<sup>th</sup>), Ashton Donelson (7<sup>th</sup>), and Kash Hutchcraft (8<sup>th</sup>) set a new school record!



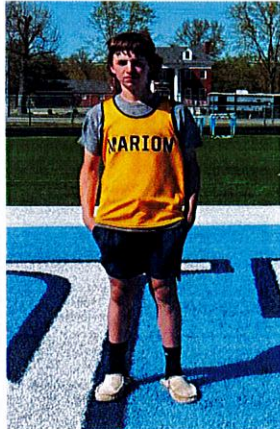


## Assistant Superintendent Report (con't)

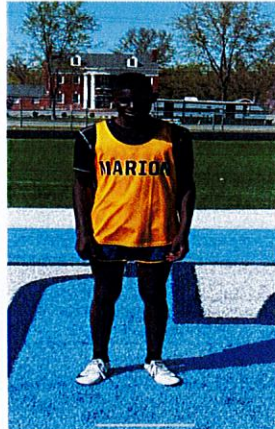
### Student Special Recognition

#### Boys Track

Kash Hutchcraft (8th Grade) set the school record in the 400 Meter Dash! Nathan Londrigan (8<sup>th</sup> Grade) set the school record in the 8th Grade 100 Meter Dash, as well as the 200 Meter Dash!



Kash Hutchcraft



Nathan Londrigan

#### Adams School

##### Girls Track

April 1: The Adams girls track team placed 2nd at the Unity Christian Invitational that was held at Herrin High School!



April 1: Kali Wallace (8th Grade) broke the Adams School record in the 800m Run!

April 12: Kali Wallace (8th Grade) broke her own school record in the 800m Run!





## Assistant Superintendent Report (con't)

### Special Recognition

**Special Olympics** – The following Unified Teams competed at the Special Olympics Bocce Event

1st Picture: Lukas Duncan and Nevaeh Beck – Gold, Jerry Groves and Jackson Sinks - Silver

2nd Picture: Damien Russell and Aiden Novoa – Gold, Jerry Key and Harlan Whiteford – Silver, Gabe Stevens and Eli Sprague - Bronze



### Teacher/Coach Special Recognition

Laura Sanders was named the 8countaudio 2A-3A Dance Coach of the Year!

### Treasurer's Report

The District is 75% of the way through the fiscal year as of March 31, 2023. The Education Fund expenditures are at 70.60% and Operations and Maintenance Fund expenditures are at 71.86%. Expenditures for all district funds are at 68.33%.

### Closed Session

The Board did not enter closed session.

### Miscellaneous and/or Discussion

John Barwick and Cindy Gibbons shared with their fellow board members and administration farewell comments stating it was an honor and pleasure to serve the Marion CUSD #2 school district.

### Adjournment

**Motion #8:** It was moved by John Barwick and seconded by Cindy Gibbons to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m. Motion carried.

MOTION NUMBER

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Garrison	-----	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Gibbons	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Abstain	Yes
Henshaw	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Wesley	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Barwick	Abstain	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bundren	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bleyer	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Abstain	Yes	Yes

5/16/23

DATE

  
PRESIDENT

  
SECRETARY