

Regular Meeting – April 19, 2022
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

John Barwick was not present.

Example of Educational Excellence

Adrienne Trainor and Jason Varner, MJHS Math Teachers, discussed the new math curriculum that they began teaching during the 2020-2021 school year. Brandon Aviles, Genevieve Chausse, Beckett Gebhart and Alesia Morrison (MJHS advanced math students) shared the math curriculum and their experiences with it by presenting examples of math lessons to the Board. Staff and students did a great job and the Board very much appreciated the presentation.

Audience to Visitors

Amber Akes, MHS Art Teacher, highlighted the MHS Art Department by sharing a presentation of the activities and competitions the students have participated in during the school year. She invited the Board to attend the upcoming MHS Art and Award Show. Joseph Shearer, Illinois Art Education Association member, recognized Mrs. Akes and the wonderful job she is doing with her students. He also discussed grant opportunities that could bring art to elementary students.

Mike Nguyen, MHS Business Teacher, thanked Jeff Moake and his department, MHS cooks and the MHS guidance department for their assistance during the SAT exam.

Consent Agenda

Motion #1 It was moved by Steve Cook and seconded by Brice Wesley to approve the consent agenda as presented:

- a. **Minutes** - the minutes from the March 15, 2022 regular and closed meetings.
 - b. **Bills** – the March supplementary bills and the April bills for payment as presented.
 - c. **Donations**
 - i. American Legion Post 147 to Jefferson Elementary – PBIS Donation valued at \$300.00
 - ii. Sandy Simpson to MJHS Volleyball Donation – \$100.00
 - iii. Jeff Fike and Little Egypt Bass Club to MHS Bass Team – \$750.00
 - iv. Timberline to MHS Baseball Team – \$3,000.00
 - v. Girl Scout Troop 8077 – Cookies to Unit #2 teachers and staff
 - vi. The Villas of Holly Brook to MHS Health Careers Program – \$200.00
 - d. **Participation in 2022-2023 Programs**
 - e. **IHSA Membership**
- Motion carried.

Board Policy Adoption

Motion #2 It was moved by Patty Bundren and seconded by Steve Cook to approve the following policies as presented: 4:165 – Awareness & Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse & Grooming Behaviors, 6:50 – School Wellness and 6:135 – Accelerated Placement Program. Motion carried.

Personnel Recommendations

Motion #3 It was moved by Brice Wesley and seconded by Steve Cook to approve the following personnel recommendations as presented:

EMPLOYMENT:

Certified

Peyton Fosse, Social Worker assigned to Marion High School, effective for the 2022-2023 school year.

Elementary Summer School Teachers: Adams – Kindergarten: Demita Martinez, 1st Grade: Sarah Aldridge, 2nd Grade: Colton Allen, 3rd Grade: Melissa Lundgren, 4th Grade: Laren Evetts, 5th Grade: Micah Colboth, Reading: Teresa Grant, Specials: Jamie Adams, Guidance: Hassi Loucks.

Washington: Kindergarten: Nicole Allen, Lauryn Kadela, Lisa Pinkston, Marci Tarlton, and Sonya Thompson; 1st Grade: Leah Browning, Melanie Davis, Ashleigh Maze, Haley Strunk and Amy Wilson; 2nd Grade: Elizabeth Graff, Abbie Hart and Tyra Hill; 3rd Grade: Bailey Anderson, Emily Culbreth, Michelle Kadela and Malinee Kraus; 4th Grade: Stephanie Brown, Amber Fike, Kimberly Frankel, and Amanda Osborne; 5th Grade: Angela Randolph, Madison Shoukletovich, and Travis Vickery; Reading: Malea Howell, Holly Neal, Natalia Rios, and Heather Stepter; Specials: Jamie Adams and Joel Kirby; Guidance/Social Workers: Courtney Ackerman, Cory Bushue, Jill Morthland, Ashley Smiley, and Aileen Stapleton; Special Education: Rachel Hatton, Sandy Lipper, and Kelley Wager; Math Support: Roxanne Price and Andy Randolph.

MJHS Summer School Teachers: Alana Adkins, Nichole Ashmore, Melissa Chance, Adam Disney, Durenda Fuchs, David Gulley, Mike Kraus, Cody Maze, Jason Varner and Amy Vickery. Support Staff: Pattie Stutz.

MHS Summer School Teachers: Eli Baker, Kendra Cagle, Marty Cameron, Jason Dunning, Gus Gillespie, Janna Gillespie, Austin Hammonds, Jenna Herbst, Trebor Hill, Mike Nguyen, Cody Pauls, Casey Rose, Laura Sanders, Bart Sinks, Jeff Tarlton, Megan Tate and Brittany Willis.

Non-Certified

Jenny Toler, Morning and Noon Supervisor assigned to Jefferson Elementary, effective for the 2022-2023 school year.

Coaching

Tonya Matthews, MHS Guard Coach, effective for the 2022-2023 school year.

Amelia Moll, MHS Assistant Volleyball Coach, effective for the 2022-2023 school year.

Brandy Smith, MHS Assistant Volleyball Coach, effective for the 2022-2023 school year.

Ed Ware, MHS Volunteer Boys Track Coach, effective immediately.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Kelsey Rohrer, Kindergarten Teacher assigned to Jefferson Elementary, amend start date of a maternity leave of absence to April 19, 2022.

Personnel Recommendations (con't)

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Paige Thornton, 2nd Grade Teacher assigned to Washington Elementary, extend maternity leave of absence through the 2021-2022 school year.

REASSIGNMENT

Nicole Allen, Elementary Support Teacher for the 2022-2023 school year to Kindergarten Teacher assigned to Jefferson Elementary for the 2022-2023 school year.

RESIGNATIONS

Tommy Colboth, Principal assigned to Washington Elementary School, effective at the end of the 2021-2022 contractual year.

Jerry Hampleman, MHS Freshman Boys Basketball Coach, effective March 18, 2022. Motion carried.

Motion #4 It was moved by Steve Cook and seconded by Brice Welsey to approve the following personnel recommendations as presented:

RETIREMENTS

Elizabeth Potocki, Second Grade Teacher assigned to Washington Elementary, intent to retire at the end of the 2025-2026 school year and implementing the terms of the most recent contract agreement with regards to the TRS adjustments.

Kelly Simmerman, English Language Arts Teacher assigned to Adam School, intent to retire at the end of the 2025-2026 school year and implementing the terms of the most recent contract agreement with regards to the TRS adjustments.

Nancy Smolak, Kindergarten Teacher assigned to Jefferson Elementary, intent to retire at the end of the 2021-2022 school year and implementing the terms of the most recent contract agreement with regards to the TRS adjustments.

Dana Stearns, Adam School Social Studies/MHS Credit Recovery Teacher, intent to retire at the end of the 2025-2026 school year and implementing the terms of the most recent contract agreement with regards to the TRS adjustments.

Janet Taylor, First Grade Teacher assigned to Lincoln Elementary, intent to retire at the end of the 2025-2026 school year and implementing the terms of the most recent contract agreement with regards to the TRS adjustments.

Kim Watson, English Language Arts Teacher assigned to Marion Junior High School, intent to retire at the end of the 2025-2026 school year and implementing the terms of the most recent contract agreement with regards to the TRS adjustments.
Motion carried.

Bids & Proposals

Motion #5 It was moved by Patty Bundren and seconded by Steve Cook to reject all bids and wait for the government pricing to come out on the 2023 model trucks. Motion carried.

Bids & Proposals

Motion #6 It was moved by Steve Cook and seconded by Patty Bundren to approve the approve the bid for Jefferson Elementary School HVAC Replacement – Phase 2 to Heartland Mechanical Contractors in the amount of \$275,000.00. Motion carried.

Depository Banks

Motion #7 It was moved by Brice Wesley and seconded by Marc Henshaw to authorize the following banks as depositories for the 2022-2023 school year:

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

Motion failed.

Motion #8 It was moved by Brice Wesley and seconded by Marc Henshaw to authorize the following banks as depositories for the 2022-2023 school year:

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

Motion carried.

Motion #9 It was moved by Brice Wesley and seconded by Marc Henshaw to authorize the following banks as depositories for the 2022-2023 school year:

U.S. Bank
Motion carried.

Technology Report

On-going deployment of T-Mobile hotspots for students who have no Internet access at home.
Continue to work with data and prep for migration into Infinite Campus.
Daily/weekly updates for the Student Data Privacy Agreements/Vendors. (SOPPA)
Securly updates for parent portal accounts.
Coordinate and schedule the training for the Infinite Campus – District wide.
Long range planning for 2022-2023 school year – technology & infrastructure needs.
Attendance record updates for all 7 buildings – upload to ISBE.
Wi-Fi monitoring – District Office, Jr. High, Adams, Lincoln, Washington, Jefferson & Longfellow
Creating new email accounts for all new students and staff. Daily task.
Responded to and completed 88 tech requests.
On-going repair/replacement of classroom projectors and other classroom technology.
Chromebook repair for all elementary schools.

Maintenance Report

Buildings

Jr. High- Construction has begun at the Jr. High on a few classrooms and corridors. HVAC ductwork is being insulated and modified to accept the new air conditioning units getting installed this summer. Ceilings and lights are being removed and all new ceilings and LED light fixtures will be installed once they arrive, currently reusing existing light fixtures. All work is being done after school hours and so far everyone that is involved seems to be ok with construction. Jr. High also has some masonry contractors starting the process of tuck-pointing the West Gym exterior walls as weather permits.
Lincoln- Window replacement and HVAC projects will begin when school is out for summer.
Jefferson Pre K- work will begin when school is out for the summer.

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, 2022 and tickets are still available. The Foundation has not been able to hold the annual banquet the last two years and will be celebrating their 30th Anniversary at this event.

Assistant Superintendent Report

Student Special Recognition

Academic

Marion High School

Art – Kennadee Gabby is a National Scholastic Art Winner. She received a National Gold Medal and National American Visionary Medal. Her artwork will be on display in New York and an awards ceremony is scheduled on June 9th at Carnegie Hall in New York.

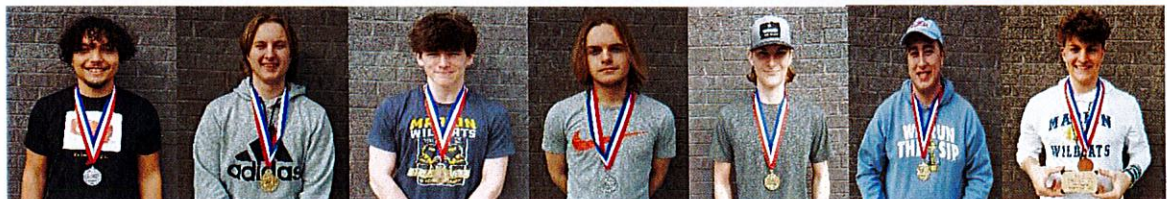


Art – MHS Art students were able to view their winning art work in the Central IHSAA Exhibition and competition and as well as receive their awards. The following students received awards at the ceremony: Kassidee Gabby, Kennadee Gabby, Raini King, Dani Kinsey, Grace Messervey, Athena Palmer, Lillian Seresbeno, Emma Sprague and Reid Williamson.



Drafting – Ten Marion High School Drafting students attended the SIU Drafting Competition. The following are the results from the competition (*advancing to the state competition):

- Mason Norris placed 1st in Assembly Modeling*
- Deavon Margrum placed 2nd in Assembly Modeling*
- Jackson White placed 1st in 3D CAD Modeling*
- Dane Bell placed 2nd in 3D CAD Modeling*
- Jaxon Lawrence placed 1st in Machine CAD*
- Tyler Cima placed 3rd in Machine CAD
- Josiah Nelson placed 1st in Introductory CAD*



Assistant Superintendent Report (con't)

Student Special Recognition

Academic

Marion High School

Foods & Nutrition – During the last two school years, approximately 330 Food & Nutrition students have successfully received their Illinois Food Handler's Certification.

Latin – Eleven students took the National Latin Exam at all four levels of Latin and seven scored well above the national average to receive an award. The following students received the Silver Maxima Cum Laude award: Ryan Harris (Level I), Makenna Martin (Level I), Ian Scholes (Level III) and Madelyn Stephens (Level III). The following students received the Magna Cum Laude award: Mason Hudspath (Level III) and Benjamin Reams (Level II). The following student received the Cum Laude award: Zach Opperman (Level I).

Spanish – The following students were inducted into the Spanish Honor Society: Cecilia Acosta- Lopez, Logan Arnold, Will Christopher, Kadence Davis, Cameron Flesch, Paige Francis, Nehemiah Goodman, Reyna Hackmann, Kaydence Kelly, Maggie Lang, Hayden Lees, Isuri Liyanage, Ben Marlo, Isabella Mings, Evan Miller, Jobe Miller, Noah Motsinger, Evan Noelle, Mary Pape, Bella Parrilli, Mattingly Richart, Abigail Sherrard, Abby Simpson, Jace Slone, Olivia Thomas and Alexis Ucci.

Marion Junior High School

Band – MJHS band students recently competed in a solo competition. There were 53 student participants from MJHS. The students who received a “Superior” rating were: Madelyn Montgomery (2 events), Rylan Williamson (2 events), Kaeyah Chin, Charlotte Marlo, Kara Odum, Ysabella Zubiri, Brody Smoot, Emilee Pritchard, Harlan Whiteford, John Tanner, Lela Springvloed, Eli Ellis, and Aidan Reed. The students who received a “First” rating were: Ian Moseman, Sophia Joyner, Felix Lewis, Ellianna Glover, Addison Arnold, Tori Rees, Nevaeh Beck, Ellyanna Hale, Ben Pritchard, Paisley Johnson, Vida Follis, Audra Scholes, Sophia Swinford (2 events), Caden Pettigrew, Molly Johnson, Emma Stout, Aydan Bryant, Savannah Roth, Carleigh Midgett, Emma Mohler, Linlee Beck, Paislee Freebourn, Dan Brame, Eli Phipps, Zander Tallman, Kaleb Richart, Katherine Sutton, Molly Odum, Bella Skelton, Jordan Rester, Chase Galt, Skylar Wininger, Bryce Glover, Nate Page, and Banquo Gordon. The students who received a “Second” rating were: Emily Beard, and John Henry Walters.

Choir – The MJHS Choir received a Division I Superior rating at IGSMA District Contest. This is the first time the choir has received a Superior rating in several years. Congratulations to the following MJHS band and choir students for participating in IGSMA South District 3 Solo & Ensemble Contest held virtually on March 26. Superior Ratings (Perfect Score): MJHS Jazz Choir, Nekiyah Edwards (vocal), Rylan Williamson (Alto Sax). Excellent Rating: Gracie Barnes (vocal), Alexis Grant (vocal), Rylan Williamson (piano).

Sports

Marion High School

Basketball (Boys) – Rayzhaun Bardo and Venson Newsom were selected to represent Marion in the 43rd Annual Lion's Club All-Star Game. The following players were named to the South 7 All-Conference Team 1st team: Evan Noelle, 2nd team: Rayzhaun Bardo and Venson Newsom. Rayzhaun Bardo, Venson Newsom and Evan Noelle were selected for the 21-22 SICA All-South Team. Evan Noelle received special mention for the Class 3A All-State Team.

Assistant Superintendent Report (con't)

Student Special Recognition

Sports

Marion High School Sports

Basketball (Boys-Fresh/Soph) – Congratulations to Coach Hampleman and the Freshman/ Sophomore Team for placing 3rd at the Murphysboro Sophomore Tournament.



Basketball (Girls) – Gracie Connor were selected to represent Marion in the 43rd Annual Lion's Club All Star Game. The following players were named to the South Seven All-Conference Team – 1st team: Jerzy Bittle and Gracie Connor, 2nd team: Lily Garrett and Karris Rhine. Congratulation to Jerzy Bittle for being named to IBCA All-State Honorable Mention team. Jerzy Bittle and Gracie Connor have been selected to the 2021-2022 Southern Illinois Coaches Association All-South team.

Bass Fishing – The Bass Fishing team participated in the Reice Mae Albright fundraiser. The team of Walker Fox and Venson Newsom won 2nd place.



Track & Field (Boys) – The team finished in 2nd place out of 40 teams at the University of Illinois Gene Armer Invitational. 2022 Illinois Prep Top Times Indoor State Championship Results: Bryson Wilson-1st Long Jump & 3rd 400M, Colin Beers-1st PV, 4x800-1st Stone/ Morgan/Hudspath/Gregory 4x400-3rd Lees/Doss/Hudspath/Wilson, Dylon Nalley-3rd 3200M Run, Kane Carter-6th Shot Put, Talon Hance-11th Shot Put, River Doss-8th 60M Hurdles.



Track & Field (Girls) – The team competed in the University of Illinois Gene Armer Invitational. Maryiah Menicucci established a new MHS girl's indoor shot record with a throw of 38'7" and the team finished in 7th place overall. 2022 Illinois Prep Top Times Indoor State Championship Results: Maryiah Menicucci-2nd Shot Put, Bailey Williams-6th LJ/25th 60M Run, Kaydence Kelly-10th LJ, Janae Maxwell-16th 60M Run, 400x200-7th Kelly/Hartwell/Williams/ Maxwell. The Lady Wildcats won the 2022 Marion Track & Field Outdoor Invite.



Wrestling – Nine Wildcat Wrestlers were named to the SICA All-South Team: Riddick Cook, Nate Dampier, Kanye Gunn, Tate Miller, Haylie Nappier-Feth, Caleb Ohnesorge Brennan Vogt, Ricky Wade and Malakei Weatherly.

Assistant Superintendent Report (con't)

Student Special Recognition

Clubs/Organizations/Extra-Curricular

Marion High School

FBLA – The MHS FBLA Chapter attended the Illinois FBLA State Leadership Conference. The following students placed in their competitive events: Michalee Clevenger: 4th place – Social Media Strategies, Nehemiah Goodman: 10th place – Human Resources Management, Abigail Joyner & Noelle Tillery: 7th place – Introduction to Social Media Strategy, Mitchell Milligan: 5th place – Electronic Career Portfolio, Noah Motsinger: 2nd Place Entrepreneurship, Abby Simpson: 9th Place – Introduction to FBLA, Noah Walters: 8th Place Networking Infrastructure, Kathryn Wofford: 5th Place Organizational Leadership. Michalee Clevenger and Noah Motsinger have qualified to compete in their events at the FBLA National Leadership Conference.

Model UN – MHS student representatives to the Nixon Cabinet Simulation who received awards were senior Noah Walters in the role of the Secretary of Defense, Melvin Laird, and freshman Tyler Henry in the role of White House Press Secretary, Ron Ziegler. In the post-Civil War Simulation of the Impeachment of President Andrew Johnson, junior Ian Scholes was recognized for his role as the prosecuting U.S. Attorney General, Henry Stanberry. Our 12 delegates were all exemplary in their conference work, well prepared and actively engaged in the fierce debates that characterize these "crisis" events.

Coaching Special Recognition

Darren Lindsey was named Southern Illinois Coaching Association Wrestling Coach of the Year.

Special Recognition

In memory of PJ Brito, his family will award two MJHS students with a Sports and Music Grant of \$100 each.

Treasurer's Report

The District is 75% of the way through the fiscal year as of March 31, 2022. The Education Fund expenditures are at 69.60% and Operations and Maintenance Fund expenditures are at 30.96%. Expenditures for all district funds are at 61.48%.

Closed Session

Motion #10 It was moved by Brice Wesley and seconded by Steve Cook to enter into closed session for the purpose of Personnel, the purpose of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity, and Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding must be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting and Collective Negotiating Matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. Motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion #11 It was moved by Steve Cook and seconded by Brice Wesley to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 p.m. Motion carried.

MOTION NUMBER

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Cook	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Abstain	Yes	Yes
Gibbons	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Abstain	Abstain	Abstain
Henshaw	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Wesley	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Barwick	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Bundren	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bleyer	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Abstain	Abstain	Yes

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Cook	Yes	Yes
Gibbons	Yes	Yes
Henshaw	Yes	Yes
Wesley	Yes	Yes
Barwick	-----	-----
Bundren	Yes	Yes
Bleyer	Yes	Yes

5/17/22
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SECRETARY