

Regular Meeting – August 15, 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.

Example of Educational Excellence

Ryan Goodisky, MHS Athletic Director, shared with the Board the MHS Athletic Review for the 2022-2023 school year as well as sharing the mission of the Marion Athletic program. He stated that the main goal of the program was to develop young men and women of character followed by working hard and winning. He reported that Marion was only ½ point away from winning the South 7 Gold Cup. He also shared the accomplishments of the MJHS and Adams School athletic programs.

Audience to Visitors

- Cassandra Steinsultz spoke to the Board in regards to her child's building placement as well as requested the Board consider using Adams School to its full potential.
- Amy Wilson, 4th Grade Teacher assigned to Adams School, advocated for Adams School to be used to its maximum potential and asked the Board to consider the implementation of 2 K-5 classes in the future. She informed the Board that the second grade classroom numbers were high and requested the classroom be divided into two classes.
- Nathan Addison, MHS Principal, thanked the Board for the opportunity to be the MHS Principal. He updated the Board on the use of the new metal detectors and appreciated the huge impact the added security is having on student and staff safety.

Consent Agenda

Motion #1: It was moved by Patty Bundren and seconded by Jared Garrison to approve the consent agenda as presented:

- a. **Minutes** - the minutes from the July 18, 2023 regular meeting and closed session meeting as well as the July 26, 2023 special meeting as presented.
 - a. **Bills** – the July supplementary bills and the August bills for payment as presented.
 - d. **Donations**
 - a. Lalla Grace Duty Estate to MHS – Grace Duty Music Scholarship valued at \$100,000.00
 - b. Second Baptist Church to Longfellow – School supplies/clothing valued at \$100.00
 - c. Smile Doctors to Longfellow – Take home folders
 - d. Blue Cross Blue Shield to District – 70 Backpacks filled with school supplies and extra school supplies
 - e. Oasis Power Sports to MHS Autoshop classes – two new motorbikes and two new ATVs
 - f. Dr. Clay & Mrs. Lety DeMattei and Dr. Greg Guard to MJHS Cross Country – donation totaling \$4600.00 for uniforms
- Motion carried.

Personnel Recommendations

Motion #2: It was moved by Brice Wesley and seconded by Shannon Mohr to approve the following personnel recommendations as presented (pending background checks):

EMPLOYMENT

Certified

Gabriele Farner, Business Teacher assigned to Marion High School, effective August 14, 2023.

Introduction of New Faculty Member – Gabby Farner/MHS Business

Non-Certified

Brenda Aldridge, Cook assigned to Jefferson School, effective July 28, 2023.

Sarah Boese, Custodian assigned to Marion Junior High, effective August 19, 2023.

Hailey Buckingham, Cook assigned to Lincoln School, effective July 28, 2023.

Rachel Robertson, Noon and Aftercats Supervisor assigned to Adams School, effective immediately.

Misti Tiberend, Cook assigned to Marion High School, effective July 28, 2023.

Alley Weeks, Cook assigned to Jefferson/Longfellow School, effective July 28, 2023.

Coaching

Sara Baker, Adams Assistant Girls Basketball Coach, effective for the 2023-2024 season.

Gus Gillespie, MHS Weight Room Supervisor, effective for the 2023-2024 school year.

Dannielle Hestand, Adams Head Girls Basketball Coach, effective for the 2023-2024 season.

Kyle Kirkpatrick, MJHS Volunteer Baseball Coach, effective for the 2023-2024 season.

Cody Pauls, MHS Weight Room Supervisor, effective for the 2023-2024 school year.

Montana Schafer, MHS Assistant Volleyball Coach, effective for the 2023-2024 season.

Jeff Tarlton, MHS Weight Room Supervisor, effective for the 2023-2024 school year.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Alyssa Patterson, English Teacher assigned to Marion High School, a maternity leave of absence beginning approximately January 2, 2024 through the end of the 2023-2024 school year using sick leave and personal days.

Motion carried.

Personnel Recommendations (con't)

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

REASSIGNMENT

Nathan Addison, Acting MHS Principal to MHS Principal, effective October 1, 2023.

RESIGNATIONS

Michael Nguyen, Business Teacher assigned to Marion High School, effective July 28, 2023.

Amy Vickery, MJHS Scholar Bowl Sponsor, effective immediately.

RETIREMENT

C. Eugene Farris, Custodian assigned to Marion High School, effective January 31, 2024. Motion carried.

Interfund Loans

Motion #4: It was moved by Shannon Mohr and seconded by Brice Wesley to authorize the treasurer to make interfund loans, if necessary, between existing funds, as provided in the Illinois School Code (105ILCS 5/10-22.33) for customary expenditures, including but not limited to payroll, utilities, and other regular monthly expenditures for fiscal year 2023-2024. Motion carried.

2023-2024 Tentative Budget

Kim Watson, Chief Financial Officer, presented the tentative budget for the 2023-2024 school year. The Board will vote on the 2023-2024 Budget at the August meeting following the public hearing.

Food Service Annual Report

Unit #2 Food Service Manager, Rhonda Woods, presented the annual food service report. She reported the food service staff served **412,234** meals to students and staff during the 2022-2023 school year.

Technology Report

State reporting completed for SY 22-23

District website updates for the 2023-2024 SY - ongoing

Working with Facilities for new Work Order program that will be implemented soon

Setting up Clever Sync for several new digital curriculum

Updating MHS phone system for new employees

Server monitoring and maintenance at all buildings

Installed 28 new computers in CAD Classroom - MHS

Districtwide Network monitoring both wired and WiFi

Weekly monitoring Lightning Detection System – MHS

31 new Promethean Boards distributed

Preparing inventory for 14 new ViewSonic Interactive Boards to Specialists Teachers

Maintenance Report

Washington Elementary School:

The cafeteria and library HVAC work has been completed but are still waiting on a few air vents to arrive. The majority of the new fire alarm system is installed but we are currently waiting on a few devices to arrive. The old system is still in place and functioning until the new system is on and running. The new LED marquee has started to be installed as well.

Maintenance Report (con't)

Lincoln Elementary School:

All parking lot work is done and being used as intended.

High School:

Wilson gym floor was resealed and is now looking great for the upcoming season. The metal stairs in the courtyard are completed and look great. Marion Wildcat banners were installed on pole lights to show school spirit. Contractors have been going over the HVAC and Geothermal system to insure everything is running as planned.

Jr. High:

All exterior work was completed along with some extra cleaning of the east side of the building. There are a few items (floor tile and touchup paint) that we are working on during second shift to get the building finished. All exterior and interior doors that were schedule to be changed out this year have been. The new fire alarm system is up and running and the old system has been removed.

Jefferson Elementary School:

The damaged classroom and library are both finished and are currently being utilized. The classroom lockers are on backorder and are scheduled to arrive in October. Temporary storage has been setup for the students in the meantime. Furniture that was stored from Lincoln library is now being used at Jefferson library until the new furniture arrives. Pre-k doors are in but the glass for the new exterior windows have not arrived. Gutters, soffit, and downspouts are complete. The front entrance concrete and brick work being finished. The steel for the awning is running a week or two behind. Full completion of the front entrance will be completed before the end of August.

Adams:

The exterior stairwell is completed and looks great. Pressure washing on areas of the building were done and painted to exterior doors.

Longfellow:

General maintenance and cleaning have been being done at Longfellow.

Custodial Teams:

All custodial teams throughout the district have gone back to their normal shifts and are focusing on the typical day to day in the buildings.

Warehouse Team:

The warehouse team has been mowing and trimming all of the grounds and trying to keep up from all of the rain. They have also been busy delivering paper and supplies to all facilities and filling in custodial work where needed.

Maintenance Team:

The Maintenance team has been working on returning staff requests, roofing, HVAC, door locks, preventive maintenance, and painting.

Sports Complex:

The team has been busy preparing for fall sports at the complex, high school and Adams school. They have also assisted where needed in maintenance requests and repairs.

Superintendent's Report

Mrs. Moss thanked building and unit office administrators for all the preparations made for the start of the 2023-2024 school year. She stated she is fortunate to work with such as a great team and is looking forward to a great year.

Assistant Superintendent Report

In Mrs. Watts report, she updated the Board on enrollment numbers for the 2023-2024 school year. She thanked the Wildcat family for all their hard work and stated it is shaping up to be a great year.

Treasurer's Report

The District is 8.33% of the way through the fiscal year as of July 31, 2023 and has an ending balance of \$15,979,707.56.

Closed Session

Motion #5: It was moved by Marc Henshaw and seconded by Sheri Lawler to enter into closed session for 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. Motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion #6: It was moved by Patty Bundren and seconded by Jared Garrison to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

MOTION NUMBER

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Garrison	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lawler	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Henshaw	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Wesley	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mohr	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bundren	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bleyer	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No

9/19/23

DATE


PRESIDENT


SECRETARY