

Regular Meeting – March 15, 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

All board members present.

Example of Educational Excellence

Through the Robert Noyce Teacher Scholarship Program and Southern Illinois University, Holly Dunderdale, Megin Rice, Tiffany Sulser, and Alyssa Weisenstein, Unit #2 Science teachers, were selected to serve in the River Region Master Teaching Fellows Program. Fifteen top-notch middle and high school STEM teachers were selected and four were Unit #2 teachers. This five-year program is designed to develop teacher leaders through coursework, activities, mentoring and community engagement. They are committed to enhancing the student experience through experiential learning, with a focus on environmental issues specific to our region. They shared with the Board a presentation explaining the program and a video highlighting some of the activities they have participated in while in the program. The Board commended these four teachers for their efforts that are benefiting Unit #2 students.

Audience to Visitors

No comments offered.

Consent Agenda

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

- a. **Minutes** - the minutes from the February 15, 2022 regular meeting and the February 28, 2022 special meeting.
 - b. **Bills** – the February supplementary bills and the March bills for payment as presented.
 - c. **Donations**
 - i. David & Maribeth Whitsell to Jefferson – PBIS Donation of \$225.00
 - ii. Anonymous to MHS Track – Pole Vault Supplies valued at \$4,000.00
 - iii. MHS Student Council to MJHS Food Pantry – 100 boxes of cereal valued at \$300.00
 - iv. Bel Brito to MJHS/PJ Brito Memorial – \$200.00
- Motion carried.

Personnel Recommendations

Motion #2 It was moved by John Barwick and seconded by Patty Bundren to approve the following first, second, third and fourth year teacher lists as presented.

EMPLOYMENT:

Fourth Year Teachers **Current Assignment**

All Fourth Year Teachers obtained tenure at the March 2021 meeting.

Personnel Recommendations (con't)

| <u>Third Year Teachers</u> | <u>Current Assignment</u> |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Jaylynn Blumenstock | English – MHS |
| Amanda Deatherage | Kindergarten – Washington |
| Taylor Dunning | Elementary Music |
| Scott Gimmy | Foreign Language/Spanish – MHS |
| Joshua Mieldizis..... | Physical Education – Jefferson/Longfellow |
| Katie Perkins | 5 th grade – Lincoln |
| Brittany Smith | 1 st grade – Jefferson |
| Sonya Thompson | Kindergarten – Washington |
| Brittany Willis..... | Guidance Counselor – MHS |
| Amy Wilson | 1 st grade – Adams |

| <u>Second Year Teachers</u> | <u>Current Assignment</u> |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Sarah Aldridge | 1 st grade – Adams |
| Colton Allen..... | 2 nd grade – Adams |
| Emily Culbreth..... | 3 rd Grade – Washington |
| Jennifer Deacon | Science – MJHS |
| Austin Hammonds | Social Studies – MJHS |
| Joel Kirby..... | Band – MHS |
| Michelle Kissing | Kindergarten – Washington |
| Melissa Chance | English – MJHS |
| Lucas Launius | Social Studies – MHS |
| Scott McKenty | Alternative Learning Classroom – MJHS |
| Sumer Oglesby..... | 3 rd grade – Lincoln |
| Brandi Sauerhage | Reading Interventionist – JH |
| Aileen Stapleton..... | Social Worker – Longfellow |
| Josiah Teal | Social Studies – MHS |
| Adrienne Trainor..... | Math – MJHS |

| <u>First Year Teachers</u> | <u>Current Assignment</u> |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Bailey Anderson..... | 3 rd Grade – WA |
| Brittney Anderson | Digital Literacy/Interventionist – Adams |
| Monica Bolley..... | Social Studies – MHS |
| Morgan Brave | 1 st Grade – LO |
| Morgan Bunch | Art – MHS |
| Kimberly Frankel | 4 th Grade – LI |
| Elizabeth Graff..... | 2 nd Grade – WA |
| Abbie Hart..... | Elementary Support – WA |
| Jenna Herbst..... | Math – MHS |
| Lauryn Kadela..... | Elementary Support – LI/LO |
| Amy Kissing | Math – MHS |
| Amber Mitchell..... | 4 th Grade – LO |
| Jill Morthland..... | Elementary Social Worker/Family Liaison |
| Shawna Moulton | Science – JH |
| Alyssa Patterson..... | Physical Education – JH |
| Natalia Rios..... | Elementary Support – LI |
| Kelsey Rohrer | Kindergarten – JE |
| Casey Rose..... | Physical Education – HS |
| Ashley Smiley | Social Worker – WA |

Personnel Recommendations (con't)

| <u>First Year Teachers</u> | <u>Current Assignment</u> |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Kolbie Stuck..... | Family & Consumer Science – MHS |
| Haley Strunk | 1 st Grade – JE |
| Tiffany Sulser..... | Science – JH |
| Paige Thornton..... | 2 nd Grade – WA |
| Amy Travis | 1 st Grade – JE |

| <u>Part-Time Teacher</u> | <u>Current Assignment</u> |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Kourtney Meyer | Medical Careers – MHS |
| Joanna Samples..... | English Language Learners |
| Motion carried. | |

Motion #3 It was moved by John Barwick and seconded by Steve Cook to approve the following personnel items as presented:

EMPLOYMENT

Non-Certified

James Tanner, MHS Boat Captain, effective for the 2022 season.

Coaching

Madison Shoukletovich, MJHS Volunteer Dance Coach, for the 2022-2023 school year.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Joanna Samples, English Language Learner Teacher, an unpaid sixteen week leave of absence during the Fall semester of the 2022-2023 school year.

REASSIGNMENT

Non-Certified

Bill Atwood, Custodian assigned to Marion Junior High School to the Warehouse, effective March 1, 2022.

RESIGNATIONS

Bailey Anderson, MHS Girls Assistant Basketball Coach, effective immediately.

Debra Basler, Cook assigned to Marion High School, effective July 31, 2022.

Christina Bishop, Aftercats/Noon-Supervisor assigned to Jefferson Elementary School, effective at the end of the 2021-2022 school year.

Rob Underwood, MHS Head Boys Soccer Coach, effective March 15, 2022.
Motion carried.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW CERTIFIED STAFF

Nicole Allen – Elementary Support Teacher assigned to Lincoln/Longfellow
Ally Dunaway – 1st Grade Teacher assigned to Lincoln

Inter-Fund Loans

Motion #4 It was moved by John Barwick and seconded by Steve Cook to authorize Superintendent Dr. Keith Oates to direct Treasurer Kim Watson to loan, if necessary, amounts between existing funds, as provided in the Illinois School Code for customary expenditures, including but not limited to, payroll, utilities and regular monthly expenditures. Motion carried.

2022-2023 School Calendar

Motion #5 It was moved by Steve Cook and seconded by Patty Bundren to approve the 2022-2023 school calendar as presented. Motion carried.

Board Policy Review

Review the enclosed policies and vote in April. (4:165–Awareness & Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse & Grooming Behaviors, 6:50–School Wellness and 6:135–Accelerated Placement Program).

Technology Report

Continue to deploy T-Mobile hotspots for students who have no Internet access at home.
Daily/weekly updates for the Student Data Privacy Agreements/Vendors. (SOPPA)
Security updates for parent portal accounts. Weekly.
Submitted Final Form 471's for E-Rate Funding Year 22
Student and staff data for Lifetouch for Spring pictures.
Monthly upload and correction of attendance records from all 7 buildings.
Wi-Fi monitoring for District Office, Jr. High, Adams, Lincoln, Washington, Jefferson and Longfellow.
Creating new email accounts for all new students and staff. Daily task.
Responded to and completed 114 Tech Requests.
On-going repair/replacement of Classroom Projectors and other classroom technology.
Chromebook repair for all Elem schools. On-site repair and/or ship out to TRA.
Pearson Set up for IAR testing. Adams, Jefferson, Lincoln, Longfellow, Jr. High and Washington.
ISA set up for Adams, Jefferson, Lincoln, Longfellow, Jr. High, High School and Washington.

Maintenance Report

Buildings

Administration and architects continue planning for summer construction projects at Lincoln, Jefferson/Pre K, Junior High and the Sports Complex.

Custodial

Custodians continually work to keep our facilities clean and sanitized inside and out. They help with set up and tear down of events as well as day to day operations.

Warehouse

Warehouse crew delivers paper, PPE and kitchen supplies. They are getting mowing equipment serviced, raking up gum balls, leaves and yard debris to get ready for mowing season.

Maintenance

Maintenance Department works on preventive maintenance items, roof issues, plumbing problems, work order requests, painting and any emergency that may develop.

Sports Complex

The Sports Complex crew has been busy getting all the sports fields and the Complex ready for practices. They help with work order requests along with any set up and tear down of events.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Oates stated the fourth quarter of the school year began after Spring Break and spring activities and sports have begun. He invited the Board members to the Unit #2 Foundation Banquet on April 21, 2022 at the Pavilion. The Foundation has not been able to hold the banquet the last two years but will be celebrating their 30th Anniversary at this event.




Assistant Superintendent Report

Student Special Recognition

Academic

Marion High School

Art – MHS Art competed for the first time in the IHSAA State High School Art Competition. Each school district entering could enter up to 20 pieces per school. MHS submitted 20 pieces and 14 pieces were accepted into the show. The following are the winners, their artwork, and their placement:

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| Blick Award | Kennadee Gabby |  | Nurture for Life |
| Best in Show : Time Arts and Design | Emma Sprague |  | Planet Pisces |
| Best in Show: Photography and Mixed/Alternative Media | Dani Kinsey |  | River of Dreams |
| Gold: First Place | Athena Palmer |  | Fish Emporium |
| Honorable Mention | Reid Williamson |  | Polyscape |
| Honorable Mention | Kennadee Gabby |  | Hero's Hands |
| Honorable Mention | Lillian Seresbena |  | Beloved |
| Honorable Mention | Grace Messervey |  | Violet Jewels |
| Honorable Mention | Kassidee Gabby |  | Monarch |
| Honorable Mention | Maleah Hunt |  | Yellow |
| Honorable Mention | Kennadee Gabby |  | Hamburger with a side of fries |
| Silver: Second Place | Raini King |  | Work Consumes Me |


Assistant Superintendent Report (con't)

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Marion High School

Art – MHS Art competed for the first time in the IHSAA State High School Art Competition (con't)

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| Honorable Mention | Kennadee Gabby |  | Art in My Dream |
| Honorable Mention | Raini Taylor |  | Self Portrait |

Art – Students had the opportunity to compete for Art Scholarship through a portfolio option entry at the IHSAA State High School Art Competition. Three MHS students entered portfolios and all three were offered scholarships for a combined total of \$804,000.00.



CNA – MHS CNA Students had a 100% pass rate on the state certification exam. Several of the students are already putting their certification to use and are employed at a long-term care facility. Congratulations to: Kaitlyn Beck, Jada Bibbins, Jayla Crain, Nariah DeArmon, Kaley Furlong, Olivia Hartwell, Madison Kessel, Josephine Killman, Madelyn Maragni, Taylor Mattingly, Megan Meadows, Rayelyn Mueller, Alexis Schweickert and Grace Smith.

Sports

Marion High School

Basketball (Boys) – Congratulations to the MHS Boys Basketball Team for winning the Class 3A Regional Championship against the last undefeated team in the state.



Basketball (Boys) – Congratulations to the Freshman Boys Basketball Team for winning the South Seven Championship.



Basketball (Boys) – Wildcat Senior Guard Rayzhaun Bardo wrapped up a very successful 4 years of Wildcat Basketball. He ended the season with 944 career points.



Assistant Superintendent Report (con't)

Student Special Recognition

Sports

Marion High School

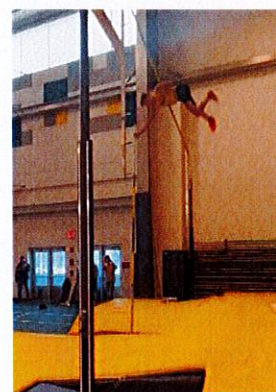
Basketball (Girls) – Congratulations to Jerzy Bittle for establishing a new record for most points scored in a single season by a Lady Wildcat. She scored 565 total points this season and surpassed the previous record of 517 points which was established during the 1986-1987 season by Amy Fletcher. She was named Honorable Mention Associated Press Class 3A All-State for the 2021-2022 season.



Swimming (Boys) – Elis Springvloed Competed in the IHSA Boys Swim Sectional. He finished 3rd in the 500 Free and 5th in the 100 Fly.

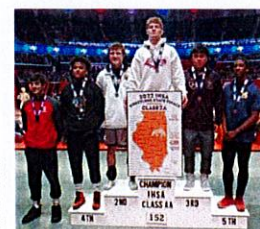


Track & Field – Colin Beers established a new Indoor pole vault record for MHS at the Roger Minton Indoor Meet with a jump of 15'1"! The previous record of 13'6" was held by former teammate Dyson Roye. The Wildcats finished in 2nd place overall from a field of thirteen teams.



Track & Field (Girls) – Joe Elliott Indoor Meet Results: Bailey Williams established a new MHS indoor long jump record with a leap of 17'3"! The previous record of 16'8.5" was established by Krysten Crites in 2012. The 800m relay team of Kelly, Hartwell, Williams and Maxwell established a new meet record with a time of 1:52.08. The previous record was held by O'Fallon (1:52.14) and was set in 2019. The Lady Wildcats finished in 3rd place overall from a field of thirteen teams.

Wrestling – Nate Dampier finished in 5th place overall at the IHSA Wrestling State Finals and wrapped up one of the best individual wrestling careers at MHS.



Marion Junior High

Basketball (Boys) – Congratulations to the MJHS Boys Basketball Team for finishing in 2nd place at the SIJHSAA Boys Class L State Tournament.



Assistant Superintendent Report (con't)

Student Special Recognition

Clubs/Extracurricular **Marion High School**

Student Council – MHS Student Council delivered 107 boxes of cereal to MJHS from their cereal drive. MJHS Guidance was able to bag up several boxes for families, restock the Wildcat store, and deliver some to The Promise. We are grateful for their philanthropy that greatly benefits our community!



Coach/Teacher Special Recognition

Coach Gus Gillespie, in five seasons, has won three regional championship titles and one sectional title. The last Marion head basketball coach to win three or more regional titles prior to Coach Gillespie was Virgil "Cuss" Wilson, who won 10 in 15 seasons between 1939 and 1954. The previous nine Wildcat coaches between 1978 and 2017 won three regionals combined.

Treasurer's Report

The District is 66.67% of the way through the fiscal year as of February 28, 2022. The Education Fund expenditures are at 62.56% and Operations and Maintenance Fund expenditures are at 28.05%. Expenditures for all district funds are at 53.80%.

Closed Session

Motion #6 It was moved by John Barwick 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. Motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion #7 It was moved by John Barwick and seconded by Steve Cook to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 p.m. Motion carried.

MOTION NUMBER

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

4-19-22

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