

Regular Meeting – October 17, 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 were present.

**Example of Educational Excellence**

Ashleigh Benson, Washington Elementary Principal, introduced Aime Chelin, At-Risk Coordinator. Mrs. Chelin, shared with the Board information about an in-depth training called LTRS (Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling) that 40 of our Kindergarten through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teachers are participating in. This is a two-year professional development course of study based on the most current research in reading, spelling and related language skills that provides tools and knowledge for teachers to use with a reading program. Nicole Allen (K-JE), Abby Childers (K-LO), Christy Johnson (1st grade –WA) and Ashleigh Maze (Reading Specialist – JE), shared with the Board strategies they have learned and how beneficial the program is to them as teachers and how it will benefit the students.

**Audience to Visitors**

1. David Hadfield – concerns regarding an incident at MJHS

**Marion Education Association**

Anthony Stephens, MHS Math teacher, introduced himself as the new MEA President, He informed the Board he is looking forward to working with them in his new role and is available with any concerns that may arise.

**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 September 19, 2023 regular and closed session meetings and the public hearing.
- b. **Bills** – the September supplementary bills and the October bills for payment as presented.
- c. **Donations**
  - i. Second Baptist Church to Washington – school boxes and markers
  - ii. Second Baptist Church to Jefferson – school supplies
  - iii. McDonald's to Jefferson – free cone/hamburger/drink certificates
  - iv. Third Baptist to Jefferson – bagels & coffee for staff
  - v. McDonald's to Adams – staff & student gift cards & certificates
  - vi. Odum's Lawn Care to MHS Student Council – \$100.00
  - vii. Country Financial, Melzer-Reinhart Group to Longfellow – future AR program – \$1,500.00
  - viii. Rural King to Jefferson – coats
  - ix. Tru-Bilt/Freedom Foundation to Adams – cash donation of \$128.00
  - x. Alpha Delta Kappa to Adams – goodie basket for teachers

**Consent Agenda (con't)**

- d. **Elementary School Compacts & Family Engagement Policies** – approval of the Elementary School Compacts & Family Engagement Policies (ESSA – Title 1 Requirement) as presented. 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**

**Coaching**

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

Kaylee Evans, Adams Head Volleyball Coach, effective for the 2023-2024 season.

Nate Price, MHS Volunteer Assistant Wrestling Coach, effective for the 2023-2024 season.

Elwin Zubiri, MHS Volunteer Swim Coach, effective for the 2023-2024 season.

**Non-Certified**

Holly Free, Cook assigned to Marion Junior High, effective October 4, 2023.

Janit Lindsey, Cook assigned to Lincoln Elementary, effective October 4, 2023.

Amanda Vickery, Secretary assigned to Longfellow Elementary, effective October 10, 2023.

**RESIGNATIONS**

Kayla Bruce, Cook assigned to Washington Elementary, effective October 2, 2023.

Deanna Thompson, Noon Supervisor assigned to Jefferson Elementary, effective October 27, 2023.

Motion carried.

**IASB Delegate and Alternate**

**Motion #3:** It was moved by Marc Henshaw and seconded by Brice Wesley to designate Jared Garrison as the IASB Delegate and Marc Henshaw as the Alternate for the 2023 Joint Annual Conference. Motion carried.

**Technology Report**

Monitoring daily Infinite Campus – Online registration –23-24 SY.

District website updates for the 2023-2024 SY – ongoing.

Weekly Processing parent accounts – Securly.

On-going assistance with MHS C.A.T.S. Program during teacher transition.

Assisted in getting Adams School set up to repair Chromebooks.

Researching options to implement Multi-Factor Google authentication.

Final changes and updates to ISBE Data Quality Dashboard.

Assisted in Satchel-Pulse training for staff.

### **Technology Report (con't)**

Completed the transfer of Kindergarten data into the K.I.D.S. Assessment Program.

Working with Securly to get Spanish Program software up and running.

Continue to monitor Clever sync for several new digital curricula.

Daily update of Asset Inventory.

Setup of new laptops for the Accounting Dept.

Maintenance and upkeep of MHS phone system.

Server monitoring and maintenance at all buildings.

Network monitoring both wired and WiFi, to ensure reliability - District-wide.

Monitoring copier/printer functionality. 7 buildings.

Preparing to update MHS F Hall network – Pending.

Advanced preparation for desktop upgrade – District Office.

### **Maintenance Report**

**Washington Elementary School:** The new LED road sign is up and running and the new fire alarm system will be up and running this week. General maintenance and cleaning are also being performed.

**Lincoln Elementary School:** New LED parking lot lights have been installed and have helped increase the safety and security around the building. General maintenance and cleaning are also being performed.

**High School:** General maintenance and cleaning are being performed.

**Jr. High:** New LED parking lot lights have been installed and have helped increase the safety and security around the building. General maintenance and cleaning are also being performed.

**Jefferson Elementary School:** Roof metal has arrived and will be installed this week. Brick work will be completed once the decorative caps arrive. General maintenance and cleaning are also being performed.

**Adams:** New LED parking lot lights and wall packs on the building have been installed and have increased safety and security around the building. General maintenance and cleaning are being performed.

**Longfellow:** General maintenance and cleaning are being performed.

**Custodial Teams:** The custodial teams are working on their typical day to day in the buildings.

**Warehouse Team:** The warehouse team have been mowing and trimming the grounds and have continued to deliver supplies to all facilities along with filling in for custodial work where needed.

**Maintenance Team:** The maintenance team have been working on work orders, roofing, HVAC, door locks, preventive maintenance, and painting.

**Sports Complex:** The team has been busy wrapping up fall sports at the complex and Adams School. They are also in the process of winterizing the complex.

### **Superintendent Report**

Mrs. Moss gave a safety update on security measures that are in place across the District.

### **Assistant Superintendent Report**

Mrs. Watts informed the Board that October is Principal Appreciation Month. She stated that she appreciates the efforts of all our administrators and Marion Unit #2 is blessed to have the best administrators!

## Assistant Superintendent Report (con't)

### Student Special Recognition

#### Sports

##### Marion High School

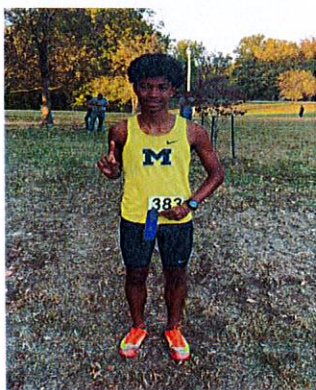
**Cross Country** – Congratulations to the Wildcat Cross Country team for finishing 5<sup>th</sup> overall at the Peoria Invite! Dylon Nalley was the individual champion!



**Cross Country** – Congratulations to Coach Gill and the Wildcat Cross Country team for winning the 2023 South 7 Championship! The Wildcats had five runners place in the top ten! Dylon Nalley set the new course record with a time of 14:30!



**Cross Country** – Congratulations to Tai Doan for winning the JV South 7 Cross Country Championship! Joseph Mings finished in 4<sup>th</sup> place and Damien Russell finished in 5<sup>th</sup> place.



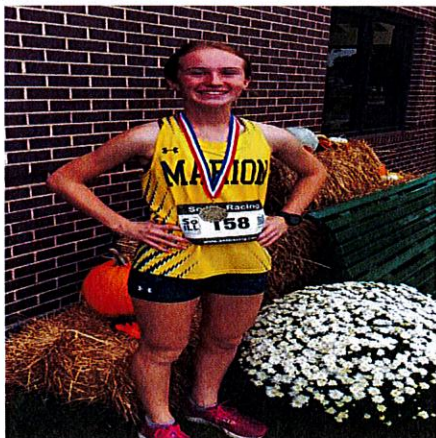
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**Cross Country** – Congratulations to Kara Odum for winning the Harrisburg Chuck Ingram Invitational!



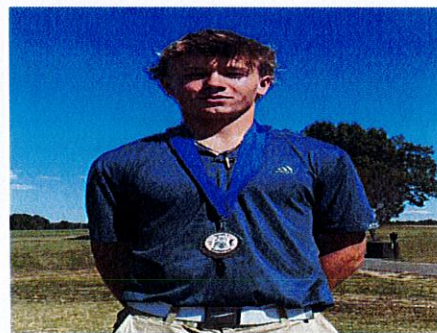
**Cross Country**–Congratulations to Kara Odum (Sophomore) for winning the 2023 South 7 Championship with a time of 19:42. The Lady Wildcats finished in 4<sup>th</sup> place as a team.



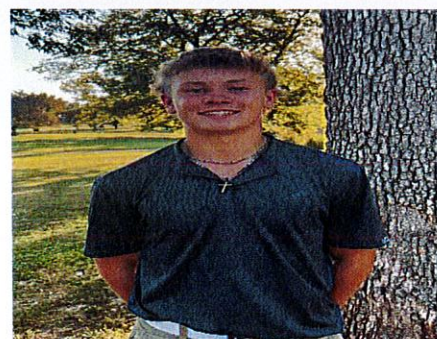
**Golf** – Congratulations to Kegan Kronsbein and Jack Harre for advancing out of the IHSA Regional Golf Tournament! Kegan placed seventh with an 81 while Jack was 18th with an 85. The Wildcat team placed 6th out of 10 teams.



**Golf** – Marion Wildcat golfers are the 2023 South 7 Conference champions! Jack Harre, was the 1st place tournament medalist, and Ethan Stout scratched earned 10th place and 2nd Team All-Conference honors.



**Golf** – Jack Harre posted eagle-par-par-birdie on his last 4 holes to finish with a (74) and advance to IHSA State Finals out of the Mt. Carmel Sectionals!



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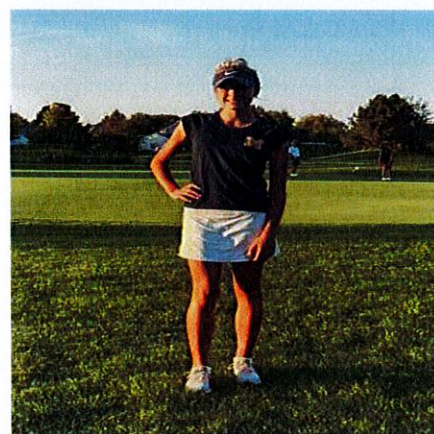
##### Marion High School

**Golf** – Congratulations to Coach Mike Kraus and Lady Wildcats Golf for winning the 2023 South 7 Championship! Grace Roper was 1st overall with a 76 and Paislee Freebourn was 5th!



**Golf** – Congratulations to Grace Roper on her 8th place finish at the O'Fallon Regional. She has advanced to Sectionals!

Grace Roper is heading to the IHSA State Finals after finishing 8<sup>th</sup> overall at the Normal Sectional!



**Tennis** – Congrats to the Lady Wildcat Tennis team for winning the Mt. Vernon Doubles Tournament!



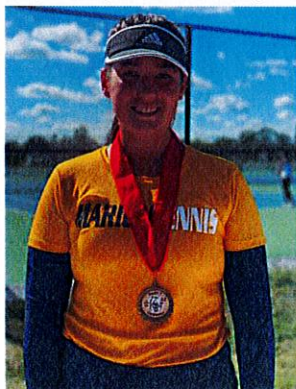
## Assistant Superintendent Report (con't)

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**Tennis** – The Lady Wildcat Tennis team finished in 2<sup>nd</sup> place overall at the South 7 Conference Tournament! Congratulations to Rylan Gulley for being crowned #2 Singles Champion! Hannah McNichols finished in 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the #3 Singles and Cali Dugger finished in 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the #4 Singles. The team of Abbey Simpson and Skye Mausey finished in 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the #2 Doubles.



**Tennis** – Congratulations to Isabella Parrilli for advancing to the IHSA Tennis State Finals!



**Volleyball** – Congratulations to Jordyn Rhine for making the Marion Invitational All-Tournament Team!



## Assistant Superintendent Report (con't)

### Student Special Recognition

#### Sports

##### Marion Junior High School

**Baseball** – Congratulations to MJHS Baseball for winning the SIJHSAA Regional Championship!



**Cross Country** – Congratulations to MJHS Cross Country team on becoming the Big 7 Conference Cross Country Champions!!!



**Cross Country** – Congratulations to MJHS Cross Country team on their SIJHSAA Class L State Championship! Marion had two place in the top 10 – Gabriel Intravaia/5<sup>th</sup> place and Seve Bruce/7<sup>th</sup> place.



## Assistant Superintendent Report (con't)

### Student Special Recognition

#### Extra-Curricular

#### Marion High School

Student Council – Congratulations to the Homecoming Parade winners!



#### Treasurer's Report

The District is 25% of the way through the fiscal year as of September 30, 2023. The Education Fund expenditures are at 21.85% and Operations and Maintenance Fund expenditures are at 40.56%. Expenditures for all district funds are at 24.45%.

#### Adjournment

Motion #4: It was moved by Jared Garrison and seconded by Sheri Lawler to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 p.m. Motion carried.

MOTION NUMBER

	1	2	3	4
Garrison	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lawler	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Henshaw	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Wesley	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mohr	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bundren	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bleyer	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

11-21-23

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JOSEPH H. BLEYER  
PRESIDENT

Monica Lynn  
SECRETARY