

Regular Meeting – October 18, 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**

Jessica Corzine, Jefferson Elementary Principal, introduced Stephanie Brown, Reading Specialist and Cindy McCarty, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher. Mrs. Brown and Mrs. McCarty presented “Jefferson Elementary Reading Buddies.” This program is an opportunity for struggling readers to have a positive reading experience. It allows the older students to partner with the younger students to reinforce the skills they have learned in their class and to help the younger students with their reading skills. This program has other benefits such as learning to build relationships, boosting fluency and increasing motivation to read. Mrs. Brown and Mrs. McCarty brought several students with them and they shared their experiences with the Board. The reading buddies in attendance were Kamryn Menckowski, Emma Tanner, Elsa Tarantio Linsin, and Walker Odum.

**Audience to Visitors**

No comments offered.

**Marion Education Association**

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 September 20, 2022 regular meeting and public hearing.
- b. **Bills** – the September supplementary bills and the October bills for payment as presented.
- c. **Donations**
  - i. Smile Doctors to Adams School – basket for staff
  - ii. Culvers to Adams school – coupons for PBIS
  - iii. United Methodist Church – \$200.00 for Wildcat Food Pantry
  - iv. United Methodist Church – \$500.00 for Wildcat Food Pantry
  - v. Unit #2 Foundation – promethean boards valued at \$75,000.00
  - vi. Kim DeFrank Watson to MJHS – \$100.00 for Wildcat Pantry
  - vii. ReNew at Cornerstone to MJHS Aftercats – Sports equipment
- 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 John Barwick and seconded by Steve Cook to approve the following personnel recommendations as presented pending background check:

## **Personnel Recommendations**

### **EMPLOYMENT**

#### **Coaching**

Abby Bayer, MHS Volunteer Assistant Girls Basketball Coach, effective for the 2022-2023 season.

Hannah Browning, MHS Choir Assistant.

Nikki Hutchinson, Adams School Volunteer Assistant Cheerleading Coach, effective for the 2022-2023 season.

Jenna Johnson, Adams School Volunteer Assistant Cheerleading Coach, effective for the 2022-2023 season.

Josh Mieldezis, MJHS Volunteer Assistant Boys Basketball Coach, effective for the 2022-2023 season.

Greg Miller, MHS Volunteer Assistant Wrestling Coach, effective for the 2022-2023 season.

#### **Non-Certified**

Braxton Cusic, Custodian assigned to Washington, effective October 19, 2022.

Dexter Watson, Custodian assigned to MHS, effective October 19, 2022.

### **LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Danielle Walston, Director of Nursing, a maternity leave of absence starting on January 3, 2023 and returning to work approximately March 27, 2023 using accumulated sick leave and dock days as needed.

### **REASSIGNMENTS**

Cari Beck, Elementary Support Teacher assigned to Lincoln/Longfellow, to Kindergarten Teacher assigned to Washington Elementary for the 2023-2024 school year.

Melissa Chance, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade ELA assigned to MJH to 7<sup>th</sup> Grade ELA assigned to MJH for the 2023-2024 school year.

### **RESIGNATIONS**

Austin Norman, Custodian assigned to Marion High School, effective September 29, 2022.

Trenton Potocki, District Software Specialist, effective October 28, 2022.  
Motion carried.

**Motion #3** It was moved by John Barwick and seconded by Steve Cook to approve the following retirement:

### **RETIREMENT**

Jeff Moake, District Maintenance Supervisor, effective June 30, 2023.  
Motion carried.

### **Shawnee Health Service Update**

Nikki Adams, Shawnee Health Center Manager gave the Board an update on new services that will be provided to Marion Unit #2 students and staff.

### **Intergovernmental Agreement**

**Motion #4** It was moved by John Barwick and seconded by Steve Cook to approve the Amended and Extended Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement between Marion CUSD #2 and the City of Marion with Respect to Cost Allocation and Provision of a School Security Officer as presented. Motion carried.

### **FY23 ISBE Maintenance Grant**

**Motion #5** It was moved by Steve Cook and seconded by Patty Bundren to approve the FY23 ISBE Maintenance Grant as presented. Motion carried.

### **IASB Delegate and Alternate**

**Motion #6** It was moved by Steve Cook and seconded by John Barwick to designate Marc Henshaw as the IASB Delegate and Brice Wesley as the Alternate for the 2022 Joint Annual Conference. Motion carried.

### **Technology Report**

Infinite Campus – Data Clean up/Parent Portal- On-going.

Weekly addition of parent accounts – Securly.

Preparing new teacher & staff accounts – Infinite Campus - School year 2022-2023.

District-wide enrollment to ISBE.

Teacher Course Assignments to ISBE.

Student Course Assignment to ISBE.

Preparing to start attendance uploads to ISBE.

Additional Zoom training for the Infinite Campus – District wide.

Continue Long range planning for 2022-2023 school year. Technology & infrastructure needs.

Preparing data for all Kindergarten into the KIDS Assessment Program.

Student data to Life Touch for pictures.

Set up Mimio Interactive devices for Reading Specialists.

On-going monitoring of Simplex System at MHS.

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

Update Asset Inventory On-Going.

Chromebook repair for all Elem schools. On-site repair.

Monitoring Lightning Detection System – MHS

Creation of new student email addresses.

Responded to 102 Tech Requests.

### **Maintenance Report**

#### **Buildings**

All buildings will have their annual inspections completed by the ROE and our local Fire Department. Lincoln, Jefferson/Pre K, Jr. High and Sports Complex - the contractors are still finishing up on some punch list items, mainly fine tuning heating and cooling controls.

#### **Custodial**

Our building custodians work to keep our facilities clean and sanitized. They also assist with day to day operations along with setting and cleaning up after events.

#### **Warehouse**

Warehouse crew stays busy mowing and weed eating our school grounds. They help with setting up and delivering products to our schools, kitchens and custodial staff.

## **Maintenance Report**

### **Maintenance**

Maintenance crew works on preventive maintenance items such as plumbing, electrical, painting, doors and locks, roof issues along with any emergency issues. We also help set up and tear down events if needed.

### **Sports Complex**

Complex crew works to keep our Jr. High, High School and Adams events and grounds prepped and ready for practice and games. They have started the fall fertilizing and over seeding of all our sports fields. They also help with work orders when they can.

## **Superintendent Report**

Dr. Oates reported the first quarter of the year has concluded and the school year is off to a great start. Homecoming week was a success with an amazing parade, a Wildcat win and a successful Unit #2 Foundation Tailgate event.

## **Assistant Superintendent Report**

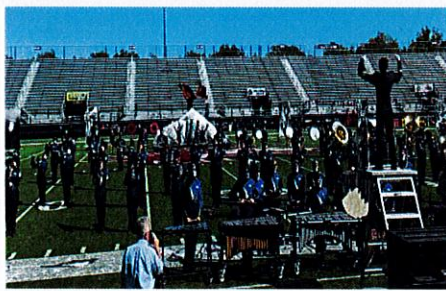
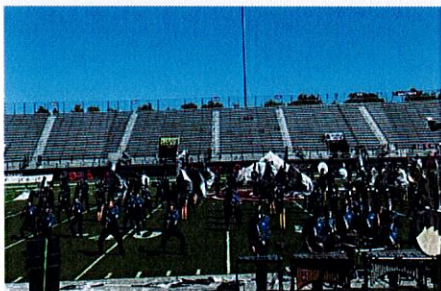
### **Student Special Recognition**

#### **Academics**

##### **Marion High School**

**Art** – MHS Art students participated in the LEAA High School Photography Show and the results are as follows: Best of Show – Claire Wallace, Traditional Photography: 1<sup>st</sup> place – Anna Davis, 2<sup>nd</sup> place – Kyleigh Newton, 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Emma Pyatt, Honorable Mention – Emma Hood. Black & White Photography: 1<sup>st</sup> place Bonnie Kerns, 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Claire Wallace, Honorable Mention – Riley Warner.

**Band** – MWB competed in the SIU Music in Motion Band Competition and won the following awards: Best Overall Drum Majors in Class AA, Best Drum Majors at Music in Motion, and 1st Place overall in Class AA. Drum Majors are: Will Absher, Sydney Donaldson, and Kaydence Kelly.



**Choir** – The following students auditioned and were selected to participate in the Quad State Honors Choir at Murray State University in Murray, KY: Addisyn Adams, Parker Bradshaw, Michalee Clevenger, Mason Hudspath, Eli Rafe, Ian Scholes and Charley Woodsum. Parker Bradshaw and Abby Koerber were selected for the ILMEA Senior Chorus.

#### **Sports**

##### **Marion High School**

**Color Guard** – The MHS Color Guard team competed at the SIU Music in Motion Competition and finished in second place.



## Assistant Superintendent Report (con't)

### Sports

#### Marion High School

**Cross Country (Boys)** – Congratulations to the Wildcat Cross Country team for finishing in first place at the Peoria Invitational! Dylon Nalley set the 2A course record with a time of 14:03.49. This is the 2nd fastest time for a Junior in Illinois history – second only to Olympian and World Champion Craig Virgin. The following athletes established personal records: Evan Dailey, Tai Done, Sean Hudspath, Hayden Lees, Mekye Lomas, Dylon Nalley and Benja Stone.



**Cross Country (Boys)** – Wildcat Cross Country team retains their South 7 Championship title! The team took the top four places individually: 1<sup>st</sup> place – Dylon Nalley, 2<sup>nd</sup> place – Mekye Lomax, 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Sean Hudspath, and 4<sup>th</sup> place – Benja Stone.



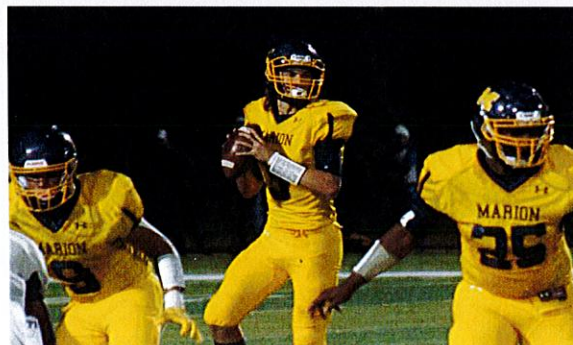
**Cross Country (Girls)** – Congratulations to the Bella Mings and Kara Odum for earning medals at the Chuck Ingram Invitational. Kara finished in 2<sup>nd</sup> place and Bella finished in 11<sup>th</sup> place. At the South 7 Conference meet, Kara Odum (Freshman) finished in 2<sup>nd</sup> place overall!



**Football** – Evan Noelle became the third player in Marion Wildcat football history to throw for more than 3,000 career yards.

1. Matt Brown – 6,001
2. Matt Lewis – 3,382
3. Evan Noelle – 3,032

Tommy Wiseman broke the INT return record with a return of 82 yards. Previous record was held by Jaden Lacy with 81 yards.



## Assistant Superintendent Report (con't)

### Sports

#### Marion High School

**Golf (Boys)** – The Boys Golf Team finished in 4<sup>th</sup> place at the Carbondale IHSA Regional Tournament. Kegan Kronsbein and Jack Harre qualified for the Waterloo Sectional. Kegan Kronsbein was selected first team all-conference.



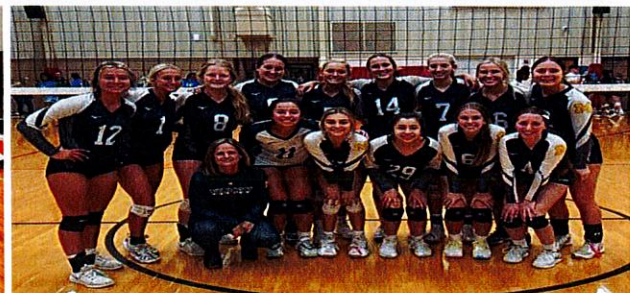
**Golf (Girls)** – Grace Roper finished in 6<sup>th</sup> place overall at the Collinsville Regional and advanced to the O'Fallon Sectional.



**Tennis** – Congrats to the Lady Wildcat Tennis Team for finishing in 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the South Seven. Rylan Gulley (No.4 Singles Champ) and Alexis Ucci/Maggie Lang (No. 2 Doubles Champs). Rylan Gulley wrapped up the Herrin Tennis Sectional today in 4<sup>th</sup> place overall (Singles) and advances to the IHSA State Tennis Finals. The following player received South Seven All Conference Honors: Rylan Gulley (2<sup>nd</sup> team), Maggie Lang (Honorable Mention), Alexis Ucci (Honorable Mention) & Hope Ziegler (1<sup>st</sup> Team).



**Volleyball** – Haylee Lambert, Sophie Shrum, Bailey Williams, and Ava Wong were named to the 2022 Lady Cat Volleyball Invite All-Tournament Team. The MHS Volleyball team won the South Seven Conference Championship. This is the first time in 29 years!

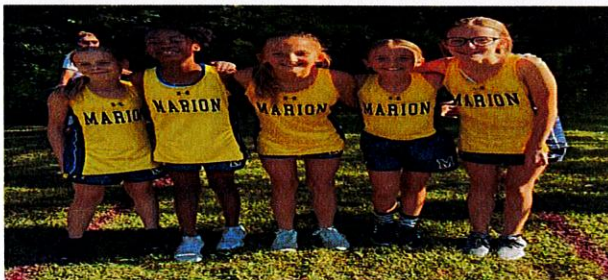


## Assistant Superintendent Report (con't)

### Sports

#### Marion Junior High School

**Cross Country** – MJHS Cross Country team takes 1st place at Du Quoin! Raphel Greer finished in 4<sup>th</sup> place as an individual. The teams also participated in “Run the Pines” and results are as follows: 1<sup>st</sup> place JV Girls, 1<sup>st</sup> place JV Boys and 1<sup>st</sup> place Varsity Boys.



**Cross Country (Boys)** – MJHS Boys Cross Country team finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> place at the SIJHSAA State meet.



**Softball** – MJHS Softball team won the Regional Championship and finished the season with a second place finish at the State championship!



### Clubs/Extra-Curricular

#### Marion High School

**Computer Club** – the MHS Computer Club Esports Valorant team won over Illinois Math and Science Academy.

## **Assistant Superintendent Report (con't)**

### **Clubs/Extra-Curricular**

#### **Marion High School**

**FFA** – Lydia Phelps and Jacie Carver competed in the Section 24 Job Interview contest at Cobden High School. Lydia placed 2nd and Jacie placed 3rd! Lydia will move on to compete at the district contest in November. Kanye Gunn, Will Kelly, Hayden Lees, Tate Miller and Trevor Snyder placed 3rd out of 26 FFA chapters in the Farm Bureau Acquaintance Day Quiz Bowl Contest and earned their chapter a check for \$100!



#### **Treasurer's Report**

The District is 25% of the way through the fiscal year as of September 30, 2022. The Education Fund expenditures are at 22.01% and Operations and Maintenance Fund expenditures are at 41.58%. Expenditures for all district funds are at 24.65%.

#### **Closed Session**

**Motion #7** 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 #8** It was moved by Steve Cook and seconded by John Barwick to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 p.m. Motion carried.

MOTION NUMBER

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

11/15/22

DATE



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