

Regular Meeting – December 12, 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

Patty Bundren and Brice Wesley were not present.

Example of Educational Excellence

Jessica Corzine, Jefferson Elementary Principal, introduced Kerri Jo Beers and Lisa Odum, 3rd Grade teachers and J Crew sponsors. Mrs. Beers and Mrs. Odum along with two J Crew members, Fiona Botsford and Wyatt Tabor gave a presentation explaining the roles of the J Crew and their responsibilities as leaders of the school. One purpose of the J Crew is to teach citizenship to all students. As a service project, the J Crew held a food drive with each grade in competition with each other to collect the most food for their grade. The winner of the contest was 3rd grade for collecting 288 cans of tuna! The school collected 1,125 food items to be donated to the Marion Ministerial Alliance. Mrs. Corzine stated that Jefferson Elementary is a small school with a big heart that loves their school and their community.

Audience to Visitors

No public comment was offered.

Marion Education Association

Anthony Stephens, MEA President, read a statement from the IEA attorney regarding the agenda item to dismiss Dewayne Fowler.

Closed Session

Motion #1: It was moved by Jared Garrison and seconded by Shannon Mohr 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. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

Motion #2: It was moved by Jared Garrison and seconded by Shannon Mohr to approve the consent agenda as presented:

- a. **Minutes** - the minutes from the November 21, 2023 regular meeting.
 - b. **Bills** – the November supplementary bills and the December bills for payment as presented.
 - c. **Donations**
 - i. First United Methodist Church to the District - \$250.00 for school supplies
- Motion carried.

Board Policy Adoption

Motion #3: It was moved by Jared Garrison and seconded by Sheri Lawler to approve the following board policies as presented: 2:20, 2:120, 2:200, 2:220, 2:220-E2, 2:220-E6, 4:10, 4:30, 4:60, 4:130, 4:160, 4:130-E, 5:30, 5:190, 5:200, 5:210, 5:220, 5:250, 5:330, 6:15, 6:30, 6:50, 6:60, 6:230, 7:60, 7:70, 7:160, 7:190, 7:270, 7:285, 7:290, and 8:30. Motion carried.

2023 Tax Levy Resolution

Motion #4: It was moved by Jared Garrison and seconded by Sheri Lawler to approve the 2023 Levy Resolution as presented. Motion carried.

Personnel Recommendations

Motion #5: It was moved by Shannon Mohr and seconded by Jared Garrison to approve the following personnel recommendations as presented (pending background check):

EMPLOYMENT

Certified

Jennifer Anderson, English Language Arts Teacher assigned to Marion Junior High School, effective for the 2024-2025 school year.

Jacob Rice, Science Teacher assigned to Marion High School, effective for the 2024-2025 school year.

Jayna Spillan, Science Teacher assigned to Marion High School, effective for the 2024-2025 school year.

Non-certified

Robin Cherim, Hall Monitor assigned to Marion Junior High, effective January 3, 2024.

CHANGE OF ASSIGNMENT

Rex Manfredo, 6th, 7th and 8th Grade Language Arts Teacher assigned to Marion Junior High to 7th Grade Language Arts Teacher assigned to Marion Junior High effective for the 2024-2025 school year.

RESIGNATION

Robin Cherim, Custodian assigned to Marion High School, effective December 31, 2023.

Motion carried.

Motion #6: It was moved by Shannon Mohr and seconded by Jared Garrison to approve the following personnel recommendation as presented (pending background check):

EMPLOYMENT

Certified

Andrea Francis, Band Director assigned to Marion Junior High School, effective for the 2024-2025 school year.

Motion carried.

Dismissal of Dewayne Fowler Resolution

Motion #7: It was moved by Shannon Mohr and seconded by Sheri Lawler to approve the Dismissal of Dewayne Fowler Resolution as presented. Motion carried.

Substitute Pay Rate

Motion #8: It was moved by Shannon Mohr and seconded by Jared Garrison to approve the substitute pay rate increase from \$110.00 a day to \$120.00 a day effective January 1, 2024. Motion carried.

Technology Report

Activated Multi-Factor Google authentication - Admins & secretarial staff.
District website updates for the 2023-2024 SY – ongoing.
Begin process of web site migration. From Blackboard to Final Site
Weekly processing parent accounts – Securly.
Monitoring new contract with It Savvy for Chromebook Insurance/ in-house repairs – Grades 6-12.
Starting the process of updating SOPPA Agreements (Student Data Privacy).
Detailed preparation in order to implement Multi Factor Authentication AKA 2 FA.
Responded to Technology Work Requests.
Deploying new Windows 11 desktops – District Office.

Maintenance Report

Washington Elementary School: Working on building PM's, work orders and general cleaning.

Lincoln Elementary School: Working on building PM's, work orders and general cleaning.

High School: Working on building PM's, work orders and general cleaning.

Jr. High: Working on building PM's, work orders and general cleaning.

Jefferson Elementary School: Working on building PM's, work orders and general cleaning.

Adams: Working on building PM's, work orders and general cleaning.

Longfellow: Working on building PM's, work orders and general cleaning.

Custodial Teams: The custodial teams are working on their typical day to day in the buildings. They are also preparing a cleaning plan for each building while students and staff will be off for winter break.

Warehouse Team: The warehouse team has been assisting the maintenance team where needed, executing deliveries and filling in for custodial work.

Maintenance Team: The Maintenance team has been working on work orders, roofing, HVAC, door locks, preventive maintenance, organizing, planning, and painting. They have also been assisting in setting up winter events and programs.

Superintendent's Report

Mrs. Moss stated she has had the opportunity to attend Christmas programs across the district and while visiting the buildings noticed the generosity of staff members in providing Christmas gifts to students in need. She expressed that she appreciates working with a such great group of people.

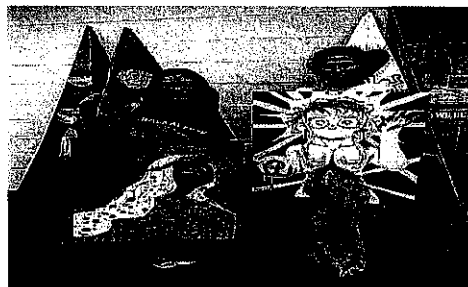
Assistant Superintendent Report

Student Special Recognition

Academics

Marion High School

Art – MHS Art students participated in the Teen Spirit Show in Paducah, Kentucky. There were 263 works with 9 different schools represented, of the 5 awards available MHS Art students, Lily Seresbeno (2nd place) and Elaina Williams (Honorable Mention) were honored with 2 of the awards. Link to info, the winners, and Sundays reception <https://theyeiser.org/2023-teen-spirit/>.



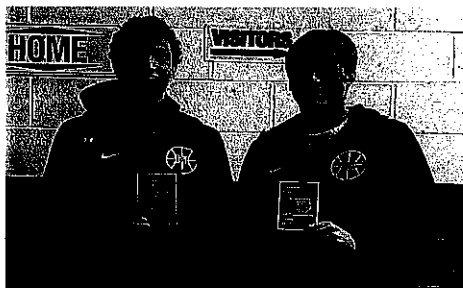
Assistant Superintendent Report (con't)

Student Special Recognition

Sports

Marion High School

Basketball – Congratulations to Phoenix Hatchett and Kaden Rogowski for being named to the Crimson Classic All-Tournament team!



Cross Country – Dylon Nalley finished in 27th place overall at the Nike Cross Country Championships! Running in rain, mud and deep water pockets on the course, Dylon battled to the very end! 23,000 kids tried to qualify for this race! He missed being named All-American by 6 places.



Football – Congratulations to the following Wildcat football players for being named to the 2023 South 7 All-Conference team: 1st team – Titus Garnett, Holden Hyde, and Junious Thomas, 2nd team – Callahan Roper, MJ Smith, Levi Tanner, and Patrick Walker, Honorable Mention: Jordyn Beverly, Aiden Pickles, Britton Powell, and Will True.

Golf – Marion State Qualifiers Jack Harre and Grace Roper were selected as AA SICA All-South Golfers.



Wrestling – Wildcat Wrestling finishes 3rd out of 17 teams at the Chatham Glenwood Invite! Results are as follows: 150 Caleb Ohnesorge - Champion, 120 Riddick Cook - 2nd place, 144 Caden Frey - 2nd place, 157 Justin Murphy - 3rd place, 215 Bryan Madinger - 3rd place, 113 Jkwon Williamson - 5th place, 138 Hunter Gibb - 5th place, 106 Juelz Elliott - 7th place and 165 Greyson Sanders - 7th place.



Assistant Superintendent Report (con't)

Student Special Recognition

Volleyball – Congratulations to Jordyn Rhine and Taylor Richardson for being selected to the 3A All-South Volleyball team!

Teacher/Special Recognition



MHS Guidance Office was presented with a flag for (FAFSA-Free application for Federal Student Aid) completion by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC). They reached this designation by having over 65% of students at MHS complete the FAFSA, which is required to be considered for financial aid in college.

Ms. Lisa Pinkston, Kindergarten teacher at Lincoln Elementary School was named a 2023 McDonald's Outstanding Educator! She is pictured with McDonald's General Manager, Michelle, who visited the school to present her with her award. In recognition of her dedication to the youth in our community, Ms. Pinkston received a gift card, a "Best Teacher Ever" coffee mug, and McDonald's vouchers to be used to reward students for outstanding achievements.



Coaching Recognition

Coach Mike Kraus was selected as the SICA All-South Girls AA Golf Coach of the Year!

Closed Session

Motion #9: It was moved by Jared Garrison and seconded by Sherri Lawler 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.

Treasurer's Report

The District is 41.67% the way through the fiscal year as of November 30, 2023. The Education Fund expenditures are at 37.74% and Operations and Maintenance Fund expenditures are at 53.03%. Expenditures for all district funds are at 41.35%.

Miscellaneous and/or Discussion

Joseph Bleyer, Board President, thanked everyone for their hard work this year. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and hoped they enjoyed their break.

Adjournment

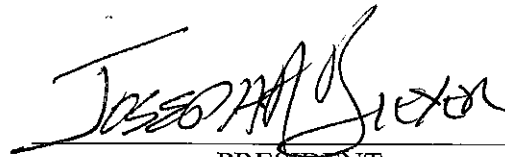
Motion #10: It was moved by Shannon Mohr and seconded by Jared Garrison to adjourn the meeting at 10:13 p.m. Motion carried.

MOTION NUMBER

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Garrison	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lawler	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Henshaw	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Abstain	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Wesley	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----
Mohr	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
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Bleyer	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

1-16-24

DATE



PRESIDENT



SECRETARY