



## Marion Community Unit School District # 2

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### Superintendent Summary Board of Education Meeting June 16, 2020

#### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

#### Roll Call

Steve Cook was not present

#### Audience to Visitors

No public comment offered

#### Closed Session

Closed session was not needed

#### Consent Agenda

The Board voted 6-0 to approve the consent agenda as presented:

- a. **Minutes** – the minutes from the May 19, 2020 regular meeting.
- b. **Bills** – the May supplementary bills and the June bills for payment as presented.
- c. **Donations**
  - i. Anonymous Donor to Washington Elementary – school supplies in the amount of \$158.48.
- d. **2020-2021 Fundraisers** – approve Washington Elementary fundraisers for 2020-2021 school year as presented.
- e. **Participation in 2020-2021 Programs**
  - i. Elementary & Secondary School Emergency Relief Grant (Cares Act)

#### Personnel Recommendations

The Board voted 5-0 to approve the following personnel items as presented pending background checks: \* Patty Bundren present however unable to vote as per audio issues.

#### EMPLOYMENT

##### Certified

Jennifer Deacon, Science Teacher assigned to Marion Junior High, effective for the 2020-2021 school year.

Gus Gillespie, MHS Social Studies Department Head, effective for the 2020-2021 school year.

Danielle Walston, Director of Nursing/Health Careers Educator, effective for the 2020-2021 school year.

Summer School Driver's Education Teachers: Eli Baker, Marty Cameron, Jason Dunning, Trebor Hill and Dean Schulmeister.



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### **Personnel Recommendations (con't)**

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

##### **Coaching**

Melissa Courter, MHS Assistant Girls' Basketball Coach, effective for the 2020-2021 school year.

Ed Ware, MHS Assistant Girls' Basketball Coach/freshmen girls coach, effective for the 2020-2021 school year.

#### **LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Emilie Turner, MHS English Teacher, a maternity leave of absence beginning November 1, 2020 until the end of the fall semester using accumulated sick leave.

#### **2020-2021 Parent-Student Handbook**

The Board voted 5-0 to approve the 2020-2021 Parent-Student Handbook as presented.

\* Patty Bundren present however unable to vote as per audio issues.

#### **Elementary Title I School Plans**

The Board voted 5-0 to approve the Elementary Title I School Plans as presented.

\* Patty Bundren present however unable to vote as per audio issues.

#### **Building Trades House**

The Board voted 5-0 to approve the sale of the building trades house located at 2803 Bridle Lane and authorize Chief Financial Officer Pat Brown and Superintendent Keith Oates to represent Unit #2 at the closing. \* Patty Bundren present however unable to vote as per audio issues.

#### **New Copier Lease Proposal**

The Board voted 5-0 to approve the new copier lease proposal with Tri-State Business Equipment as presented. \* Patty Bundren present however unable to vote as per audio issues.

#### **Amended 2019-2020 School Calendar**

The Board 5-0 voted to approve the amended final 2019-2020 school calendar as presented.

\* Patty Bundren present however unable to vote as per audio issues.

#### **Amended 2020-2021 School Calendar**

The Board voted 5-0 to approve the amended 2020-2021 school calendar as presented.

\* Patty Bundren present however unable to vote as per audio issues.

#### **Technology Report**

Continue to set up for Securly accounts for parents.

Prepared new Academic Session for MHS Summer School

Assisted with Senior Chromebook pickup at MHS.

Work in progress for long term strategy for Fall 2020.

Finalizing all Unit # 2 enrollments and exiting students out of State system.

Re-configure of all 72 VR headsets



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

Continuous monitoring of the outside wireless access point at 7 buildings.  
Preparation to re-image all computers in MHS Business Labs  
On-going district-wide network monitoring.

### **Maintenance Report**

#### **Buildings**

Lincoln – Roof project is scheduled to start the week of June 15<sup>th</sup>  
MHS – East, partial South and partial North drive between HEC and Classroom addition is in the process of getting the blacktop sealed.

#### **Custodial**

Custodians are busy deep cleaning and polishing all our buildings along with keeping areas disinfected as they are used.

#### **Sports Complex**

They are staying busy keeping up with weed control, fertilizing, mowing, landscaping as well as helping with any maintenance issues that come up.

#### **Maintenance**

Maintenance is busy with work orders, summer requests, preventive maintenance items, roof issues and HVAC issues.

### **Treasurer's Report**

The District is 91.67% of the way through the fiscal year as of May 31, 2020. The Education Fund expenditures are at 91.30% and Operations and Maintenance Fund expenditures are at 81.63%. Expenditures for all district funds are at 91.54%.

### **Superintendent Report**

Dr. Oates reported planning for the upcoming school year is underway. He stated the Illinois State Board of Education has not issued guidelines for the upcoming school year and planning is taking place not knowing exactly what will be required. He informed the Board the State of Illinois has allowed in person summer school classes and the high school is conducting driver's education classes. Illinois High School Association has issued Return to Play Guidelines allowing strength and conditioning to take place and those activities are in progress.

### **Assistant Superintendent Report**

Mrs. Sanders recognized Pat Brown, retiring Chief Financial Officer, for the outstanding job he has done for the District. She stated that he is a highly respected and talented individual and she appreciated his insight and leadership in his role. His presence will be greatly missed.

### **Student Special Recognition**

#### **Academics**

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

**Art** – Congratulations to Kassidee Gabby and Dlija Guy. Their artwork was selected to hang in the state art show through the Illinois Art Education Association. The opening of the show is not until November, but their artwork will travel around



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### Assistant Superintendent Report (con't)

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**Art** – the state and be hung in multiple art galleries over the course of a year after the opening. This is a great opportunity for their artwork to be shown in professional art galleries around the state. This is a very competitive show that only allows for 4 students per grade level and is open to the entire state.



Kassidee Gabby's painting is the self-portrait using foreshortening.  
Dlija Guy's artwork is the colored pencil drawing of marbles.

**Business** – Lucas Lenear, passed his Adobe Certified Associate-Photoshop CC 2018 exam.

**Spanish** – Illinois State Board of Education Seal of Biliteracy Test results: The following students received the Seal of Biliteracy: Amanda Cantrell and Jose Chaires. The following students received Commendation towards Biliteracy: Chris Atlee, Zoe Boatright, Ethan Fromm, Isaac Hammet, Madison Tallman, Amaya Treat, Gloria Wofford and Kathryn Wood. 100% of students who tested qualified for recognition through ISBE.

##### Clubs/Extracurricular

###### Marion High School

**FFA** – Brenda Findley has earned her American FFA degree, the highest which can be awarded to a member. Calista Hill has earned her State FFA degree. Lydia Phelps earned 1<sup>st</sup> place in the District 5 Creed Speaking Contest and later went on to compete in the State Agriculture Education CDE where she earned 10<sup>th</sup> place. She has been elected to serve on the Section 24 Officer Team.

##### Sports

###### Marion High School

**Football** – The following football players: Gil Aguilar, Mario Aguilar, Tyler Cima, Mitchell Milligan, Mason Norris and Jackson White, took the initiative to cook pork butts and ribs to give to Coach Wimberly to deliver to various families in our community.

##### Adjournment

The Board 5-0 voted to adjourn the meeting at 6:23 p.m. \* Patty Bundren present however unable to vote as per audio issues.