



## Marion Community Unit School District # 2

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### **Superintendent Summary Board of Education Meeting May 21, 2019**

#### **Call to Order**

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

#### **Roll Call**

All Board members present.

#### **Board Member Recognition of Service**

Board President John Barwick recognized the following Unit #2 retirees and presented each retiree with the traditional Unit #2 School Bell. The Board appreciates their service and dedication to Unit #2 students.

##### Certified Staff:

- a. Piper Bragee – Lincoln 3<sup>rd</sup> grade – 27 years
- b. Vickie Damron – MHS Family & Consumer Science – 12 years
- c. Phyllis Landwehr – Longfellow 5<sup>th</sup> grade – 20 years
- d. Lance Hafeli – MHS Air Force JRROTC – 2 ½ years
- e. Marty Manfredo – MHS Math – 37 years
- f. Melanie Poole – MHS English – 30 years
- g. Karen Powell – Washington 4<sup>th</sup> grade – 25 years
- h. Kathleen Shannon – Lincoln 2<sup>nd</sup> grade – 31 years

##### Non-Certified Staff:

- a. Mary Cobb – Jefferson Cook – 14 years
- b. Mike Mayhew – District Maintenance – 15 years

#### **Example of Educational Excellence**

Kim Burns, Adams and Credit Recovery Principal, presented the annual ALOP report. Credit Recovery faculty members Ryan Ashmore and Dana Stearns were also in attendance and answered questions. The credit recovery program enabled twenty one MHS seniors to graduate. After graduation, fifteen plan to attend college in the fall, one is joining the Army and five are entering into the workforce.

Kathy Henry, Adams School Parent Volunteer, gave a report of the newly formed Mileage Club. The Mileage Club is a before school running/walking program that provides the students the opportunity to exercise and get the “wiggles” out before class begins. It leaves the kids feeling ready to learn and studies have proven that exercise improves academic performance. A total of 1,851 miles were run/walked by the club participants.

#### **Audience to Visitors**

Lindsay Robinson, MEA Vice President, invited the Board members to the Marion Educational Association Annual Breakfast.

#### **Consent Agenda**

The Board voted 7-0 to approve the consent agenda as presented.

- a. Minutes - the minutes from the April 16, 2019 regular meeting and April 18, 2019 special meeting.



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### **Consent Agenda (con't)**

- b. Bills – the April supplementary bills and the May bills for payment as presented.
- c. Donations
  - i. Cornerstone Church to Adams – 3 trees, cleaned landscape & mulched
  - ii. Lifetouch to Jefferson – supplies valued at \$427.00
  - iii. ASD.com to Lincoln – supplies valued at \$300.27
  - iv. Spirit & Pride to Lincoln – supplies valued at \$47.00
  - v. Southeastern Illinois Electric Coop – \$1,000.00 grant to Christy Sullivan
  - vi. Heartland Regional Medical Center – \$20,000.00 to MHS Band
  - vii. Watermark to MJHS – \$250.00 for shoes
  - viii. Abundant Life Church to MJHS – supplies valued at \$200.00
  - ix. Kroger to MJHS Food Pantry – \$500.00
- d. 2019-2020 Fundraisers – approve fundraisers for the 2019-2020 school year as presented.
- e. Centerstone Memorandum of Understanding
- f. SIUE School of Nursing Field Practice Agreement

### **Depository Bank**

The Board voted 5-0-2 to authorize the following bank as a depository for the 2019-2020 school year: First Southern Bank

### **Board Policy Adoption**

The Board voted 7-0 to adopt the following policies as presented: 2:20, 2:40, 2:50, 2:60, 4:30, 4:100, 4:110, 4:150, 4:160, 5:330, 6:15, 6:65, 7:185, 8:95.

### **Refunding of Adams School Lease Certificates**

Anne Nobel, Managing Director of Stifel, discussed with the Board the refinancing of the Adams School bonds. The Board will be presented with options to vote on at the June meeting.

### **Personnel Recommendations**

The Board voted 7-0 to approve the following personnel recommendations as presented (pending background checks):

### **Employment**

#### **Certified**

Brittany Dickson, MHS Guidance Counselor effective for the 2019-2020 school year.

Janna Gillespie, MHS Summer School Teacher.

#### **Non-certified**

Carrie Payne, Nurse assigned to Longfellow Elementary School, effective May 15, 2019.

#### **Coaching**

Morgan Dodd, MHS Assistant Volleyball Coach, effective for the 2019-2020 season.

Lauryn Sanders, MHS Volunteer Assistant Dance Team Coach, effective for the 2019-2020 school year.



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

#### **Leaves of Absence**

Abby Childers, Kindergarten Teacher assigned to Longfellow Elementary, a maternity leave of absence from approximately September 23, 2019 through January 3, 2020 using accumulated sick leave.

Courtney Griffith, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher assigned to Jefferson Elementary, a maternity leave of absence from April 29, 2019 through October 11, 2019 using accumulated sick leave.

#### **Resignations**

Jenna Barnett, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher assigned to Lincoln Elementary, effective at the end of the 2018-2019 school year.

Ali Brotherton, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher assigned to Lincoln Elementary, effective at the end of the 2018-2019 school year.

Robin Cherim, MHS Hall Monitor, effective May 28, 2019.

Joseph McMahan, MHS Spanish Teacher, effective at the end of the 2018-2019 school year.

#### **Retirements**

The Board voted 7-0 to approve the following retirements:

Pat Brown, Chief Financial Officer, effective June 30, 2020.

Melanie Poole, MHS English Teacher, effective at the end of the 2018-2019 school year.

#### **Closed Session**

The Board voted 7-0 to enter into closed session for 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

#### **2019-2020 Non-Union/Non-Certified Staff Raises**

The Board voted 7-0 to approve salary increases for non-union/non-certified positions and salary adjustments for the 2019-2020 school year as presented.

#### **2019-2020 Administrative Raises**

The Board voted 7-0 to approve a 2% raise for all administrative positions and certified salary/stipend adjustments for the 2019-2020 school year as presented.



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### **Curriculum Adoption**

The Board voted 7-0 to adopt the Grades 3-5 *Into Social Studies* curriculum by Houghton, Mifflin, Harcourt as presented.

### **Laborers' Local 773 Contract**

The Board voted 6-0-1 to adopt the contract between Laborers' Local 773 and Marion CUSD #2 as presented.

### **Technology Report**

E-Rate Form 471's for FY2019 accepted and approved by USAC

Completed 3 days of on-line Kindergarten registration.

Completed new mass notification system thru BlackBoard - deploy in July.

Finalizing new Marion CUSD # 2 app for deployment in August.

Continue to create and update teacher and staff account for the 2019-2020 school year.

Single Sign On (SSO) with 15 software vendors and Clever is about 75% complete.

Responded to 87 Tech Requests.

Assisted with the deployment of 680 new Windows 10 Desktops.

Update of Microsoft Site Licenses for Operating System, Office and Windows Server.

Help in training and operation of the new security system at MHS.

Imaging and deployment of new CAD computers and installation of new updated CAD application.

Imaging and deployment of new computers for the MultiMedia classes at MHS.

I would like to personally thank Mr. Mike Nguyen and the following students for their valuable help in getting the new Windows 10 machines deployed. Their help is and was GREATLY appreciated. Students names: Camden Dodds, Connor McCormick, Alexander Wright, Madison Pratis, Christopher Hale, Andrew Jones, Blake Mitchell, Hunter Winchester, Charlotte Arnold, Julian Banks, Matthew Cook, River Flute, Skylor Simpkins, Joshua Thackston, and Dakota Triplett

### **Maintenance Report**

#### **Buildings**

Longfellow is on track for the roofing work this summer. Contractors should start around June 1, 2019.

Summer request are coming in from building principals for items they would like to have done at their buildings such as painting, carpet replacement and any maintenance requests they may have.

#### **Custodial**

Our Custodians continue helping with day to day activities as well as cleaning and disinfecting our schools. They are in the process of getting all the summer cleaning supplies in place so work can begin when school is out.

#### **Maintenance**

Maintenance continues with work orders, preventive maintenance items, transitioning from heat to cool along with any emergencies that may come up. They also help with set up and tear down of events if needed.

Sports Complex crew taking care of getting fields ready for Baseball, Softball and Track events if time allows they also help with Maintenance issues as well.



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### Superintendent's Report

Marion CUSD #2 Foundation Banquet Update – The Foundation raised \$34,000 (new record) at the annual banquet and eighteen students were awarded scholarships totaling \$30,400 (new record). Special thanks to John Fletcher, Foundation Director, and the entire Foundation Board.

Dr. Oates recognized Assistant Superintendent Amy Sanders' efforts with Centerstone that have resulted in Unit #2 securing expanded social work services for our students at no cost to the District.

### Assistant Superintendent Report

#### **Student Special Recognition May 2019**

### Academics

#### Marion High School

**Latin** – Seven MHS students received awards for their performance on the National Latin Exam. Award winners are: Latin I – Margaux Bruce (Magna Cum Laude), David Chen (Magna Cum Laude), Andrew Jones (Magna Cum Laude) and Chloe Ziehm (Magna Cum Laude). Latin II – Tessa Bradley (Cum Laude) and Laurel Evans (Maxima Cum Laude) and Latin III – Diazha Berry (Cum Laude).

**Spanish** – Illinois State Board of Education Seal of Biliteracy test results are as follows:

Seal of Biliteracy; Maria Chairez, Ana Cuartas, Olivia Morris, Bwalya Mwansa, Taylor Petitt, Claire Treece and Xander Wright. State Commendation Towards Biliteracy: Jordan Altug, Marissa Basi, Noah Cash, Tessa Childers, Baili Clark, Eliana Cox, Hannah Granderson, Rylee Hammonds, Keira Hance, Taylor Jones, Noah Mofield, Dylan Motsinger, McKenzie Orange, Kylie Plant, Brockton Powell, Tyson Stoecklin, Timothy Surburg and Jessica Tran.

(100% of the students who tested qualified for recognition through ISBE Seal of Biliteracy program).

### Sports

#### Marion High School

**Bass Fishing** – Justin Roberts and AJ Segers finished in 1<sup>st</sup> place at the National Youth Fishing Event.

**Softball** – MHS Softball Team won the South 7 Conference. Congratulations to the coaches and team on a perfect conference season.

**Track & Field** – The Freshman/Sophomore 4x200 relay team of Tucker, Bardo, Baker & Barber ran a 1:35.69 and broke the MHS record that has stood since 1966. The Freshman/Sophomore team won the Freshman/Sophomore South 7 Conference Championship.



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#### Sports

##### Marion High School

**Track & Field** – Kane Carter tossed 154'6" in the discus. He is at the top of freshmen rankings across all classes in Illinois. He currently has the #1 throw for his age group and is #4 among all underclassmen.

**Track & Field** – MHS Boys' Track & Field Team finished in 2<sup>nd</sup> place at the South 7 Conference track meet. Joshua Schmid was the South 7 Champion in the shot put (50'4") and discus (158'7").

**Soccer** – Blake Clark surpassed the MHS all-time career goal record with 143 goals – 55 goals this year alone.

**Special Olympics** – The STRIVE Program represented MHS at the Special Olympics at SIU.

**Boys Tennis** – South 7 Tournament results: Team finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> place, 2<sup>nd</sup> place individual finishers are: Logan Holderfield, Lucas Moake and Dylan Motsinger. All Conference Honors: First Team: Luke Motsinger, Second Team: Logan Holderfield, and Honorable Mention: Lucas Moake and Dylan Motsinger.

##### Marion Junior High School

**Track & Field** – The MJHS Boys Track & Field Team won the Class L SIJHSAA State Championship. Individual State Champions: Jaqueveon Smith – Shot Put, Nehemiah Goodman – Long Jump, and William Warner – 400 M Run.

##### Adams

**Track & Field** – Adams Junior High Girls' Track & Field Team finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> place at the Class S SIJHSAA State Track Meet.

#### Clubs/Extracurricular

##### Marion High School

**FBLA** – The following FBLA members placed at this year's FBLA State Leadership Conference in Springfield:

1<sup>st</sup> place: Noah Cash & Ryan Palmer – Battle of the Areas

2<sup>nd</sup> place: Faith Enrietto – Future Business Leader

3<sup>rd</sup> place: Emily Jones & Victoria Shore – Broadcast Journalism

4<sup>th</sup> place: Nick Cornaghie – Mobile App Development

5<sup>th</sup> place: Abby O'Keefe – Electronic Career Portfolio, Amanda Cantrell – Emerging Business Issues, Penolope Gordon – Introduction to Parliamentary Procedure, Noah Cash, Steven Kosco & Ryan Palmer – Marketing, Charlotte Arnold – Website Design



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7<sup>th</sup> place: Sailor Morris – Journalism

9<sup>th</sup> place: Lauren Kadela, Bwalya Mwansa & Lissa Villa – Entrepreneurship,  
Mitchell Milligan – Introduction to Business

10<sup>th</sup> place: Katie Frerichs & Laney Olson – Public Service Announcement

**Model UN** – Spring Crisis Conference at SEMO results: Swiss Council 1939:

1<sup>st</sup> – Fallon Heady and 2<sup>nd</sup> Josh Bloodworth. Lincoln Cabinet: 1<sup>st</sup> – Marquez Lilly and 2<sup>nd</sup> – Faith Enrietto. Nixon Cabinet: 2<sup>nd</sup> – McKenzie Winchester. Marion delegation received five of the six awards available.

##### Marion Junior High School

**Choir** – MJHS Choir received an Excellent rating at Louisville, Kentucky competition. Michael Clevenger was awarded the Outstanding Vocal Soloist.

#### Treasurer's Report

The District is 83.33% of the way through the fiscal year as of April 30, 2019. The Education Fund expenditures are at 82.38% and Operations and Maintenance Fund expenditures are at 80.21%. Expenditures for all district funds are at 83.60%.

#### Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.