



Marion Community Unit School District # 2

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Superintendent Summary Board of Education Meeting October 15, 2019

Call to Order

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

Roll Call

All Board members present.

Example of Educational Excellence

Kristi Pierce, MJHS Librarian, shared with the Board a power point presentation highlighting the many functions and activities the junior high library has to offer students. The library encourages students to try new things and encouraged the Board to do the same by sampling snacks from around the world. The library also offers students the opportunity to work in the library as student workers. This programs teaches many life skills and allows Ms. Pierce the flexibility to offer multiple programs. Rylan Gulley and Carly Pinkston, student workers, shared some of their favorite parts of working in the library. Ms. Pierce reported that the MJHS library was the recipient of a grant from Snapdragon Book Foundation. This grant was only awarded to 13 schools out of 600 applicants. She is very excited about the grant and how the money will enhance the library.

Audience to Visitors

Bryan Scotch – Homecoming procedures and clear backpack policy

Jane Otte & Sarah DePuy (Volunteers from Moms Demand Action on Gun Sense in America) – Group is opposed to arming teachers & urged the board to vote against Resolution #1 on Student Safety and Protection at the Illinois Association of School Boards Conference.

Consent Agenda

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

- a. **Minutes** - the minutes from the September 17, 2019 regular meeting as well as the public hearing minutes.
- b. **Bills** – the September supplementary bills and the October bills for payment as presented.
- c. **Donations**
 - i. Tru-Built Farm & Commercial Building to Adams – Supplies valued at \$571.50
 - ii. Carol Chester to Jefferson – School supplies
 - iii. Susan Reams to Jefferson – School supplies
 - iv. Kristen Moore (Marion Daily) to Jefferson – Filled backpacks
 - v. Third Baptist Church to Jefferson – School supplies
 - vi. First United Methodist to Jefferson – School supplies
 - vii. Jenny Toler to Jefferson – School supplies
 - viii. R-n-R Tire Express to Jefferson – School supplies



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Williamson County Enterprise Zone Resolution

The Board voted 7-0 to approve the Williamson County Enterprise Zone Resolution as presented.

Bids/Proposals

Not presented

Annual District Audit

The Board voted 7-0 to approve the annual District Audit as presented.

Report on Shared Services or Outsourcing

The Board voted 7-0 to approve the Report on Shared Services or Outsourcing as presented.

Transportation Contract

The Board voted 7-0 to approve the one-year contract extension between Illinois Central School Bus and Marion CUSD #2 as presented.

IASB Delegate/Alternate

The Board voted 7-0 to approve Brandi Bradley as the IASB Delegate and Patty Bundren as the Alternate for the 2019 Joint Annual Conference.

2019 School Report Card Update

Amy Sanders, Assistant Superintendent, shared with the Board a few highlights as per the Unit #2 Illinois School Report Card. Illinois School Report Cards are still under embargo and will be released for the public on October 31, 2019.

Personnel Recommendations

The Board voted 7-0 to approve following personnel recommendations as presented pending background check:

EMPLOYMENT

Non-Certified

Elizabeth Buckingham, Cook assigned to Jefferson Elementary, effective October 4, 2019.

Chris McGee, Custodian assigned to Marion High School, effective October 4, 2019.

Coaching

Joy Mewes, MJHS Volunteer Robotics Coach, effective immediately.

MHS Band Volunteers – Matt Crabtree, Jordan Dwyer, Faith Enrietto, Katie Frerichs, Jacob Rice, and Rachel Webb.



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Personnel Recommendations (con't)

RESIGNATION

Michele Tate, MHS Assistant Girls Track Coach, effective immediately.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Melanie Davis, 1st grade teacher assigned to Lincoln Elementary, an extended maternity leave of absence beginning November 4, 2019 through December 20, 2019 using accumulated sick leave.

Technology Report

Trained WCES Staff (Pre-K and Therapists) on mandated daily attendance.
Continued training on Marion Unit# 2 App (Marion Community Unit SD #2)
Updated Foreign Language digital curriculum rosters for Sem2
Assisted in trainings for the new teachers for the 2019 – 2020 School Year.
Updating all student & staff images in InformatioNow and Meals Plus.
Monitoring status of Department of Innovation and Technology proposal for Internet access thru ICN.
Responded to 143 Technology Requests.
Repaired/Replaced digital projectors in classrooms.
Completed the deployment on new Windows 10 machines at District Office.
Updating several high school computer images for expanded curriculum.
Maintaining Service and Support contracts on Sonic Walls.
Maintaining Service and Support contracts on Ruckus Zone Directors.
Daily repair of Chromebooks from Elem schools.
Updates and maintenance on Cafeteria Point of Sale computers.

Maintenance Report

Buildings

Jr. High - we have been working with Architects, Engineers and Contractors on various HVAC units.

Maintenance

Maintenance crew is busy with work orders, projectors, televisions installations and the removal of old ones, preventive maintenance items, emergency issues and help with the set up and tear down of events if needed.

Sports Complex

Complex crew is assisting with work orders and starting the process of getting the sporting fields aerated, over seeded and fertilized for the winter, they also are helping with set up and tear down of events if needed.

Assistant Superintendent Report

Mrs. Sanders informed the board of upcoming parent/teacher conferences on October 17th and October 22nd at each of the buildings.



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Assistant Superintendent Report (con't)

Student Special Recognition October 2019

Sports

Marion High School

Football – MHS Football team has qualified for the IHSA playoffs for the 15th consecutive year – (2005-2019).

Boys Golf – the Boys Golf team placed 2nd in the South 7 Tournament. Isaac Hammet (2nd overall) and Brett Lewis (8th overall) received All-Conference honors. The following golfers advanced to IHSA Sectionals in Charleston: Isaac Hammet, Brett Lewis and Karsten Stotlar. Isaac Hammet finished 4th overall (76) at Sectional tournament and has qualified for State.

Girls Golf – The Girls Golf team won the South 7 Championship. The following golfers were named to the All-Conference team: Sarah Capel, Jessica Clarida, Baylee Kelley, Ava Lewis, Kelsey Sinks and Chloe Thomas. The girls team finished 3rd overall at the Mascoutah Regional and has advanced to Sectional. The girls team finished 5th as a team at Sectional tournament and Sarah Capel has qualified for State.

Tennis – The Girls Tennis team won the South 7 tournament. This is the first time in school history the team has won the South 7.

Marion Junior High School

Softball – The MJHS Softball team won the SIJHSAA Region 1 Championship. This is the 7th state berth in 8 years. The team placed 2nd at the SIJHSAA Class L State Tournament.

Superintendent Report

Dr. Oates reported that the newly hired School Security Officers began working in our buildings on October 15, 2019. Parents were notified by either a letter or phone call that the officers were in the buildings.

Treasurer's Report

The District is 25% of the way through the fiscal year as of September 30, 2019. The Education Fund expenditures are at 22.48% and Operations and Maintenance Fund expenditures are at 33.02%. Expenditures for all district funds are at 25.31%.



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Closed Session

The Board voted 7-0 to enter into closed session for the purpose of (1) 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 body 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 and (2) 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.

Adjournment

The Board voted 7-0 to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 p.m.