



## Marion Community Unit School District # 2

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### Superintendent Summary Board of Education Meeting September 22, 2020

#### **2020-2021 Budget Public Hearing – 5:45 p.m.**

The public hearing was opened for comment at 5:47 p.m. No public comment offered.

#### **Regular Meeting – 6:00 p.m.**

#### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

#### **Roll Call**

All Board members present

#### **Audience to Visitors**

Unit #2 faculty, parents, and community members commented on the current school academic schedule.

Mr. Andy Randolph, Washington Elementary 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher, thanked Marion High School for accommodating the Washington 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade classrooms during the cleaning of their teaching spaces at Washington.

#### **Consent Agenda**

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

- a. **Minutes** - the minutes from the August 18, 2020 regular meeting and closed session meeting.
- b. **Bills** – the August supplementary bills and the September bills for payment as presented.
- c. **Donations**
  - i. McDonald's to Adams – Gift basket including student gift certificates
  - ii. McDonald's to MJHS – Gift basket including student gift certificates
  - iii. Cornerstone Church to Adams – School supplies & staff snack basket
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  - v. Smile Doctors by Keven Cook Orthodontics to Adams – Homework folders
  - vi. Timberline Fisheries to MJHS – Monetary donation (\$500.00)
  - vii. Little Egypt Veterinarian to MJHS – Monetary donation (\$530.00)
  - viii. Odum Lawn Care to MJHS – Monetary donation (\$350.00)
  - ix. Greg Beers Construction to MJHS – Monetary donation (\$300.00)
  - x. Ed Stroh-Woodmen of the World to Adams – Printed masks for staff (\$500.00)
  - xi. Second Baptist Church to MJHS – Reusable water bottles (\$18.00)
  - xii. Abundant Life Church to MJHS – School supplies (\$40.00)
  - xiii. MJHS Student Council to MJHS – School supplies (\$25.00)
- d. **2020-2021 Fundraisers** – MHS Fundraisers as presented
- e. **2020-2021 Athletic Fees** – waive all athletic fees for the 2020-2021 school year.



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### **Board Policy Adoption – Press Plus Issue 105**

The Board voted 7-0 to adopt the following board policies as presented: 2:260, 5:10, 5:20, 5:100, 5:220, 5:330, 7:10, 7:20, 7:180, and 7:185.

### **Crab Orchard Greenway**

The Board voted 7-0 to allow Marion CUSD #2 to participate in the Crab Orchard Greenway Bike Path Project as the state grant applicant at a contribution level of \$100,000 and authorize Dr. Oates to submit grant application and to work with the City of Marion on behalf of the Board of Education.

### **Personnel Recommendations**

The Board voted 7-0 to approve the following personnel recommendations as presented:

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

##### **Coaching**

Carlo Intravaia, Marion High School Volunteer Boys Soccer Coach, effective immediately.

Maddie Jones, Marion Junior High Volunteer Softball Coach, effective at the start of the 2020-2021 softball season.

#### **LEAVES OF ABSENCE**

Mark Adkins, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher assigned to Lincoln Elementary School, a medical leave of absence beginning August 24, 2020 and ending December 18, 2020 using accumulated sick leave and personal leave days.

Courtney Griffith, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher assigned to Jefferson Elementary School, a maternity leave of absence beginning approximately January 4, 2021 through March 5, 2021 using accumulated sick leave.

Joy Neal, Physical Education Teacher assigned to Marion High School, a maternity leave of absence beginning October 5, 2020 through February 16, 2020 using accumulated sick leave.

The Board voted 6-1 to approve the following personnel recommendation as presented:

#### **RETIREMENT**

Bryanna Ramsey, MJHS English Teacher, intent to retire at the end of the 2023-2024 school year and implementing the terms of the most recent contract agreement with regards to the TRS adjustments.

### **Bids & Proposals**

The Board voted 6-1 to award the bid for Marion High School Football Field Lighting Replacement Project to Clinton Electric in the amount of \$304,868.00 and Alternate Bid #1 at no cost to Marion Unit #2. Musco Lighting is giving Marion Unit #2 the Show-Light Entertainment Lighting package at no cost and Baysinger Architects is paying the \$804.00 to the contractor to install it as a donation to Unit #2.



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### **Transportation Services Contract Amendment**

The Board voted 7-0 to approve the Transportation Services Contract Amendment with Illinois Central as presented.

### **Resolution to Regulate Expense Reimbursements**

The Board voted 7-0 to approve the resolution to regulate expense reimbursements as presented.

### **2020-2021 Budget**

The Board voted 7-0 to adopt the budget for the 2020-2021 school year as presented.

### **RESOLUTION providing for the issue of not to exceed \$11,000,000 General Obligation School Bonds, in one or more series, of Marion Community Unit School District No. 2, Williamson and Johnson Counties, Illinois, and for the levy of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest on said bonds**

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### **Administrator Salary Compensation Report**

This annual report is required to be presented with no action necessary.

### **Enrollment Update**

Amy Sanders, Assistant Superintendent, updated the Board on District enrollment. She provided a snapshot of enrollment as of September 11, 2020 as well as a nine-year history of enrollment across the District.

### **MEA Survey Data**

Kelly Holland, MEA President, addressed the board with results from a survey completed by their membership regarding a possible change in the district academic schedule.

### **District Academic Schedule**

The Board voted 7-0 to combine non-remote Family A and B student groups for in-person learning Monday through Thursday with K-8 students attending from 8:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. and Grades 9-12 students attending from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. with remote learning for the remainder of the instructional day and Friday as a full remote learning day for all students with a start date of Monday, October 19, 2020.

### **Technology Report**

Weekly set up of Securly accounts for parents.  
Assisting with Chromebooks deployment at MHS.  
Uploading student data for Spanish, Latin, Social Studies, Math and Science.  
Monitoring SysCloud for daily backup of all Unit #2 Google accounts.  
Assisted all buildings with student scheduling for the 2020-2021 school year.  
Setup of Chromebook insurance accounts for current school year.  
Training building secretaries on ISBE/IWAS



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

Assisted with district data for School Report card.  
Deployed new walk-thru temperature scanners.  
Continue to process all Unit # 2 data for new students thru On-Line Registration.  
Re-configured all Unit # 2 desktops for printing to new copiers.  
On-going district network monitoring.  
Firmware updates on temperature scanners.  
Enrolled all K thru 12 students in ISBE/IWAS.  
Processing broken/damaged Chromebooks for all elementary buildings.  
Processed 163 Tech Requests.  
Working with Maintenance on new Door Access Controls.

### **Maintenance Report**

Lincoln Roof project nearing completion. Items remaining include some flashing, roofing work along edges and painting of an air conditioning unit.  
In process of getting all buildings ready for Fire Dept. /ROE inspections coming up in October.  
We are working to stock and keep all the Buildings/Classrooms supplied with PPE products.

### **Assistant Superintendent Report**

#### **Student Special Recognition**

#### **Sports**

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

**Cheerleading** – Morgan Motsinger was recognized by the Marion City Council for cleaning up the Town & Country parking lot.

#### **Clubs/Extracurricular**

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

**FFA** – Marion FFA placed 1<sup>st</sup> in Section 24 Horse Judging, their first competition of the year. They will compete virtually in the State Horse Judging competition on October 17, 2020.

#### **Teacher Special Recognition**

Alyssa Weisenstein, Megin Rice, and Holly Dunderdale were involved in the Noyce program and won an award at the 2020 Noyce Virtual Summit for the best video submitted by scholars and fellows. They were recognized for a three-minute video they produced and submitted entitled: *Students to Scientists: Transformative Action Research*. It is showcased at the National Science Foundation (NSF)/ American Association for the Advancement Science (AAAS) website. <https://www.noycevirtualsummit.com/scholar-and-fellow-video-submissions/aweißenstein>.

Deanna Hudgens has been recognized as a Pivotal Educator by Georgetown University. Pivotal Educators help first-generation and lower-income students. Deanna was asked to join the organization as part of the initial design team and was chosen from hundreds of teachers.



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### **Treasurer's Report**

The District is 16.67% of the way through the fiscal year as of August 31, 2020. The Education Fund expenditures are at 13.85% and Operations and Maintenance Fund expenditures are at 10.95%. Expenditures for all district funds are at 12.99%.

### **Closed Session**

The Board did not enter into closed session.

### **Adjournment**

The Board voted 7-0 to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 p.m.