

Marion Local Board of Education

Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 10, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Conference Room.

Meeting was called to order by President, Randy Bruns with the pledge of allegiance recited by all present.

Randy Bruns, Shannon Everman, Phil Moeller, Tim Pohlman and Jesse Rose answered roll call by the Treasurer, Amy Reineke.

Jesse Rose motioned to approve the agenda. Shannon Everman seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Rose yea, Everman yea, Moeller yea, Pohlman yea and Bruns yea. Motion passed.

Brad Spettel attended and gave a presentation to the Board of Education on the band students' trip to Florida and all that they participated in.

24-36:

Phil Moeller motioned that the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 11, 2024 be approved as read. Tim Pohlman seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Moeller yea, Pohlman yea, Everman yea, Rose yea and Bruns yea. Motion passed.

Marion Local Technology Coordinator, Michelle Mescher, submitted the following report: Professional Development

- A list of sessions is available at <https://www.marionlocal.org/In-ServiceSchedule.aspx>

Technology Purchases

- Microsoft yearly license agreement
- 10 Desktop Computers for staff replacement
- 3 Laptops for staff replacement
- 7 Interactive Flat Panel displays for classrooms

Technology Issues/Concerns/Miscellaneous

- Planning to purchase Dell Chromebook model 3110 for 5th and 9th grade for the 2024-2025 school year along with cases.

Marion Local High School Principal, Tim Goodwin, submitted the following report: **Franklin B Walter:**

Congratulations to Simon Partington for being this year's nominee from Marion Local. Alexa Sutton was Simon's teacher of influence.

Hope Week:

Thanks to Mrs. Dippold and the Hope Squad for organizing activities that culminated in a guest speaker speaking about perseverance and kindness.

ODE Award:

We recently received signage from the governor regarding the HS being named as a 5-star school. I would like to congratulate our students and staff on this distinction.

**Upcoming events:**

April 17,18,24,25,29,30	State Testing
April 20	Prom
April 25-28	7-12 Musical
May 8	Senior Awards
May 15	Spring Arts Show

Marion Local K-8 Principal, Kelli Thobe, submitted the following report:

- Congratulations to the staff and students for earning the 5-Star recognition from the state for their hard work, dedication, and success!
- Thank you to the advisors and members of Hope Squad for organizing and executing a well received Hope Squad week!
- “Haphazardly Ever After” highlighted the many talents of our 5th & 6th grade students. Thank you to the advisors and volunteers to support students with their theater talents! Congratulations to the students for their courage and impressive performance!
- On the agenda for approval:
 - 3rd Grade: Ms. Alexis Evak
 - 5th Grade: Ms. Mackenzie Gross
 - Intervention Specialist: Mr. Jonathon Schmitz
 - Intervention Specialist: Mr. Nathan Ungruhn
 - Guidance Counselor: Mrs. Jordyn Trabue
- Spring Open House will be held Monday, May 6 for K-6 students and parents

Upcoming Events:

- April 6 - JH Solo & Ensemble
- April 25-28 - gr. 7-12 Drama production, "Mary Poppins"

Upcoming State Test schedule:

April 16 & 18 - ELA (grades 3-8)

April 30 & May 1 - Math (grades 3-8)

May 2 & 3 - Science (grades 5 & 8)

Mrs. Amy Reineke, Marion Local Treasurer, submitted the following report:

The financial report for March 2024 including reports provided, was approved by the board. For the month, expenditures totaled \$1,121,336.44, income was \$11,478,262.73 and interest income was \$67,115,06.

Motion Items

OCBOA 34 Statement Preparations

- Approve Carol M. Riggle, CPA as our GASB 34 Cash Basis Financial Statements consultant for one year at the cost of \$2,500.

Workers Compensation TPA

- Ask you to approve Sedgwick as our Third Party Administrator at a cost of \$370 for the 2025 calendar year.

Other Informational Items

Five Year Forecast

- I will present the updated five year forecast at the May board meeting along with necessary changes to appropriations and estimated resources.

Wellness Committee Request

- The past 6 years in May the board approved a Wellness Initiative Challenge that paid \$50 to each employee who participated in 3 or more healthy activities from June 1 – May 31. The 3 proposed activities would include the following:
 1. Complete 1 preventative screening visit with their doctor
 2. Complete 2 of the following:
 - a. Health Risk Assessment Screening
 - b. Attend a health-related presentation
 - c. Receive a flu shot
 - d. Participate and complete a Wellness Committee Challenge
 - e. Participate in a physical challenge or health related presentation from an outside source
- We are requesting that the board consider providing this challenge again for June 1, 2024 – May 31, 2025 by paying \$50 for any employee that participates and completes this challenge. The goal is to get more employees engaged in living a healthier

lifestyle and visiting their doctor to determine risks in order to decrease insurance claims.

24-37:

Shannon Everman motioned to approve the following reports as presented by Mrs. Reineke. Jesse Rose seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Everman yea, Rose yea, Pohlman yea, Moeller yea and Bruns yea. Motion passed.

Monthly Bills: Reports: Disbursement Summary Report

Financial Report: Reports: Cash Reconciliation, Cash Summary Report, Revenue Account Activity Report, and Monthly Spending Plan Summary

Investments: Report: Investment Report

Treasurer's Monthly Financial Report

Marion Local Superintendent, Mr. Mike Pohlman, submitted the following report:

STAFFING

On the consent agenda is a motion to accept the resignation of Danielle Hartke as Head Swim Coach, resignation of Madison Sherrick as JH Cheer advisor, resignation of Tyler Prenger as Phys. Ed. Teacher, approve hiring Mrs. Jordyn Trabue as K-8 Guidance Counselor, Ms. Alexis Evak as a 3rd grade teacher, Ms. Mackenzie Gross as a 5th grade teacher, Mrs. Kristin Hange as a Title I teacher, Ms. Kathy Dirksen as a Chemistry and Physics teacher, Mr. Nathan Ungruhn as an Intervention Specialist, and Mr. Jonathon Schmitz as an Intervention Specialist. Finally, you are asked to approve the fall coaches listed on the consent agenda along with payment to Connie Brunswick for assisting with the 5th/6th grade play.

CONTRACTS

On the consent agenda is a motion to approve the list of multiple employees up for contract renewal. The list includes certified, non-certified, and admin./supervisors. You are asked to approve the list of contracts and volunteers for football, golf, cross country, and volleyball. I would like to welcome Kathy Dirksen as our head volleyball coach.

POLICIES

On the consent agenda is a motion to approve the listed policies as recommended by NEOLA for their first reading.

FIELD TRIP

On the consent agenda is a motion to approve the Ag. Science field trip for the State Dairy Evaluation retroactive to March 28th.

GRADUATES

On the consent agenda is a motion to approve the list of prospective graduates for the class of 2024. (exhibit on the table)

DONATION

On the consent agenda is a motion to accept the donation of 35 flats of strawberries from Classic Carriers and also accept a donation of \$600 to the Drama Club.

FMLA

On the consent agenda is a motion to approve FMLA for Mrs. Erica Siefring effective February 5th through April 26th.

NEGOTIATIONS

On a separate resolution is a motion to approve the negotiated agreement between the MLEA and the Marion Local Board of Education that will be effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027

C. Advisory Items

None

D. Informational Items

Construction Manager

We received proposals from Touchstone, H.A. Dorsten, and Baumer/Grand Lake Building Co. Interviews will take place on Monday, April 15th.

Central Office renovation

We plan to move the central office over to the high school media center on May 28th and 29th. Construction to renovate central office to two classrooms will begin on June 3rd.

24-38:

Phil Moeller motioned to approve motions contained on the consent agenda for the regular meeting as presented. Tim Pohlman seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Moeller yea, Pohlman yea, Rose yea, Everman yea and Bruns yea. Motion passed.

1. To approve the resignation of Danielle Hartke as Head Swimming Coach.
2. To approve the resignation of Madison Sherrick as Jr High Cheerleader Advisor.
3. To approve the resignation of Tyler Prenger as Phys. Ed. Teacher effective 5-31-23.
4. To approve the hiring of Jordyn Trabue as K-8 Guidance Counselor on a one-year contract per the established pay schedule pending proper certification.
5. To approve the hiring of Alexis Evak as a Teacher on a one-year contract per the established pay schedule pending proper certification.
6. To approve the hiring of Mackenzie Gross as a Teacher on a one-year contract per the established pay schedule pending proper certification.
7. To approve the hiring of Kristen Hange as a Teacher on a one-year contract per the established pay schedule pending proper certification.

8. To approve the hiring of Kathy Dirksen as a Teacher on a one-year contract per the established pay schedule pending proper certification.
9. To approve the hiring of Nathan Ungruhn as an Intervention Specialist on a one-year contract per the established pay schedule pending proper certification.
10. To approve the hiring of Jonathon Schmitz as an Intervention Specialist on a one-year contract per the established pay schedule pending proper certification.
11. To approve a two (2) year contract to Sue Bruns as Director of Student Services/Elementary Assistant Principal per the established pay schedule.
12. To grant contracts to the list of certified employees at their designated steps on the established pay schedule for certified employees pending completion of all requirements for proper certification.

Jessica Braun – 3 year	Lisa Brunswick – 3 year
Laden Delawder – 2 year	Jenny Dippold – 3 year
Macey Fleck – 1 year	Kyle Grabowski – 3 year
Andrea Greve – Continuing	Nicole Heckman – 3 year
Alex Hemmelgarn – Continuing	Caitlin Homan – 2 year
Kalie Lenhart – 1 year	Paige Moeller – 2 year.
Laura Post – 3 year	Ben Salazar – 3 year
Stephanie Watercutter – 1 year	

13. To grant contracts to the list of non-certified employees at their designated steps on the established pay schedule for non-certified employees pending completion of all requirements for proper certification.

Amy Bruns – Instructional Aide – 2 year
 Sarah Clune – Instructional Aide – Continuing
 Monica Homan – Instructional Aide – 2 year
 Sheryl Lange – Custodian – 2 year
 Angie Mescher – Cook – 2 year
 Kevin Nagel – Custodian – 2 year
 Angie Osterholt – Cook – Continuing
 Sandy Ranly – Instructional Aide – 2 year
 Deb Ruhenkamp – Head Cook – 2 year
 Pam Seitz-Schulze – Instructional Aide – 2 year
 Deanna Springer – Instructional Aide – 2 year

14. To approve the list of sports coaches on one-year contracts per the established pay schedule for the 2024-2025 school year pending proper certification.

Football

Head Varsity – Tim Goodwin
 Asst. Varsity – Greg Bruns, Laden Delawder
 Kevin Otte, Jacob Sherrick
 Co-Varsity Assts. – Adam Bertke, Nathan Ungruhn

Volleyball

Head Varsity – Kathy Dirksen
 Varsity Asst. – Katie Rosenbeck
 Jr. Varsity – Shelby Prenger
 Freshmen – TBD

Head Jr. High – Rod Pleiman
Asst. Jr. High – Austin Hanes, Cody Smith

Head Jr. High – Marcia Moeller
Asst. Jr. High – Stacy Stucke

Golf

Girls – Adam Smith
Boys – David Koenig

Cross Country

Head – Danielle Sutter
Asst. – Jackie Kemper

15. To approve the following volunteers:
Football – Chad Otte, Austin Hanes, Mitch Eversole, Brian Wolters
Track – Joe Thobe
16. To approve the hiring of Dane Newlove as a substitute teacher retroactive to April 3, 2024.
17. To approve Family Medical Leave for Erica Siefring effective February 5, 2024 thru April 26, 2024.
18. To approve payment to Connie Brunswick for assisting with the 5th and 6th grade drama to be reimbursed by the 200 Drama Club Fund for \$200.00 along with retirement expenses.
19. To approve the prospective graduates for the Class of 2024 dependent upon meeting the requirements of the Board of Education and the State of Ohio.
20. To approve the Ag Science field trip to the State FFA Dairy Evaluation contest in Columbus, OH retroactive to March 28, 2024.
21. To approve the purchase of 62 Dell 3110 Chromebooks from Sterling at a cost of \$17,484.00
22. To approve the purchase of 232 Dell 3110 Chromebooks from Sterling at a cost of \$65,424.00.
23. To approve the Group Workers Compensation Administrative Services from Sedgwick at a cost of \$370.00.
24. To approve Carol Riggle, CPA as our GASB 34 Cash Basis Financial Statement consultant for fiscal year ending June 30, 2024 at a cost of \$2,500.
25. To approve the donation of 35 flats of strawberries to the Food Service Dept. with a value of approximately \$1,060 from Classic Carriers.
26. To approve the donation of \$600.00 to the Drama Club.

27. To approve payment to Scott's Carryout in the amount of \$1,420.00 as a then and now certificate. Requisition was created for concession expenses after the products were purchased.
28. To approve payment to the Mercer County Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$4,000.00 as a then and now certificate. Requisition was created for game security after date the service took place.
29. To read for a first time the following policies:
- 2623 – Student Assessment and Academic Intervention Services
 - 2623.02 – Third Grade Reading Guarantee
 - 3120.04 – Employment of Substitutes
 - 3140 – Termination and Resignation
 - 4124 – Employment Contract
 - 4140 – Termination and Resignation
 - 5310 – Health Services
 - 6423 – Use of Credit Cards
 - 8600 – Transportation
 - 8600.04 – Bus Driver Certification
 - 8640 – Transportation for Non-Routine Trips
 - 8650 – Transportation by Vehicles Other Than School Buses
 - 8660 – Incidental Transportation of Students by Private Vehicle

24-39:

Upon the Superintendent's recommendation, Shannon Everman motioned that the Board of Education approve the Negotiated Agreement between the Marion Local Board of Education and the Marion Local Education Association effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027. Jesse Rose seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Everman yea, Rose yea, Moeller yea, Pohlman yea and Bruns yea. Motion passed.

24-40:

Phil Moeller, upon the Superintendent's recommendation, motioned that the Board of Education enter into Executive Session for the Superintendent's Evaluation. Tim Pohlman seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Moeller yea, Pohlman yea, Everman yea, Rose yea and Bruns yea. Motion passed.

Entered into Executive Session: 7:21 p.m.

Out of Executive Session: 8:48 p.m.

No action was taken.

24-41:

Jesse Rose motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:48 p.m. Tim Pohlman seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Rose yea, Pohlman yea, Moeller yea, Everman yea and Bruns yea. Motion passed.

The next regular board meeting will be on May 13, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Conference Room