

**Marion Local Board of Education
Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 11, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board
Conference Room.**

Meeting was called to order by President Elaine Pierron.

Randy Bruns, Dave Moorman, Elaine Pierron, Tim Pohlman and Brenda Schwieterman answered roll call by Treasurer, Heather Cramer.

Randy Bruns motioned to approve the agenda. Brenda Schwieterman seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Bruns yea, Schwieterman yea, Moorman yea, Pohlman yea and Pierron yea. Motion passed.

17-57:

Dave Moorman motioned that the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 14, 2017 be approved as read. Tim Pohlman seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Moorman yea, Pohlman yea, Bruns yea, Schwieterman yea and Pierron yea. Motion passed.

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

Teachers completed a total of 138 hours of technology in-services this summer. Fall technology in-service opportunities will be starting soon. A list of sessions is available at <http://www.marionlocal.org/in-service-schedule.html>

Technology Purchases

- None

Technology Issues/Concerns/Miscellaneous

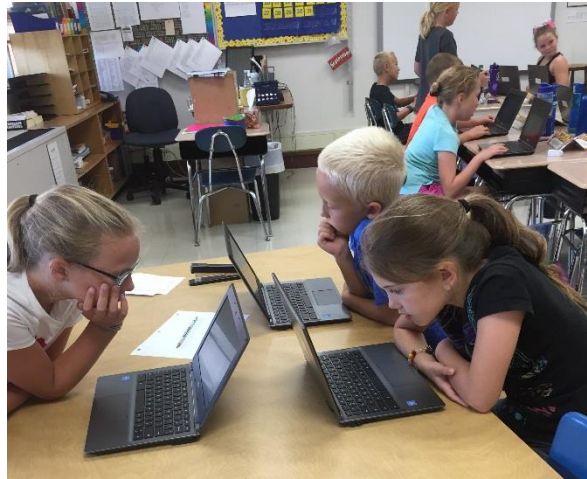
- The school year is off to a great start. No issues to report.

Technology Highlight

The 3rd grade students and teachers are using their classrooms sets of Chromebooks. Some of the ways the students are utilizing the devices are

- *In social studies, students researched the Marion Communities before making posters about each of the six communities.*
- *In reading, students use them for*
 - *Accelerated Reader and STARS tests*
 - *Taking vocabulary tests on Edcite*
 - *Weekly assessments on the Wonders website*
 - *Book reviews on Edmodo*
 - *Read Works Digital website. Students will be given articles for the week. They will respond on a particular topic to build reading/writing stamina and background knowledge.*

- *In Math, students use them for TenMarks, math games, and online flashcards*



Marion Local High School Principal, Tim Goodwin, submitted the following report:

Start of School:

I would like to thank the teachers and students for a smooth start to the school year. A special thanks goes to Jenny Dippold and Barb Kahlig during this very busy time for them with schedule changes and collecting of forms.

Safe Schools Week:

This week is Safe Schools Week. We will practice lockdown, stay-put, fire and tornado drills.

CC+ Update:

We have 71 students who are earning college credit while remaining at Marion Local this fall. The classes involved are: Precalculus with teacher Doug Jutte, English with teacher Lynne Yates, Spanish with teacher Julie Overman, and Computer Apps with Becky Bruns.

Guidance:

Mrs. Dippold is planning a college application work session in the media center on the night of Sept 26th. This event is for seniors to come in and get started on the college application process and have Mrs. Dippold there to assist. The event will be from 5-9 pm.

Upcoming events:

- Sept 9 Marion hosting ACT
- Sept 11-15 Safe Schools Week
- Sept 19 Yearbook Leadership Team to Wapak
- Sept 20 School Pictures
- Sept 22 Mercer Co Soil Judging Contest
- Sept 27 District Soils Contest
- Oct 13 Homecoming Game
- Oct 14 Homecoming Dance

Mr. Nick Wilker, K-8 Principal, submitted the following report:

1. I would like to thank the entire staff for the smooth start to the school year. Everything on our opening day with the staff to the first student day went great!
2. Open House on August 22nd was very well attended. I would like to thank all of our families and students for attending as well as our staff for having everything very organized and ready to go.
3. On Friday, August 25th we celebrated our school and accomplishments from the 2016-2017 school year. We had a theme of “We Are ML” and taught the students that it takes the entire community to have a school system as successful as we do and that our community has high expectations for all of us. The students all received a t-shirt, cake and ice cream, and extra recess with bouncy houses that day. I’d like to thank MVP Sports, the cafeteria staff, Reliable Tent Rentals, and the entire elementary staff for helping make that day a very special day.



4. Painting update: the primary hall and gym are finished, the library should be completed by the end of the week. Thanks to the PTO for supporting this big project!



5. Fall athletics: We have 111/144 7th and 8th grade students involved in extracurricular activities this fall. I have emphasized with the students how great their involvement is to show leadership to the students in the younger grade levels. Thanks for our teachers on staff who help coach these extracurriculars: Erica Oldiges (8th grade volleyball), Michelle Kessen (cheerleading), Rod Pleiman (football), Brad Spettel (band), and Cody Smith (football).

6. Sam Huelsman completed an Eagle Scout project at the elementary this summer. He reconstructed the front entrance separating the lawn from the cement entrance by paver brick and using river rock as the landscaping stone. As part of Sam's project, he also constructed a paver outline around the new elementary sign. Thanks to Sam and his father, Trent, for their work on this project.



7. Upcoming events:
 - a. Sept 11-15: Safe Schools Week
 - b. Sept 13-25: PTO Fundraiser
 - c. Sept 19: Fall picture day
 - d. Sept 21: COSI On Wheels Day
 - e. Sept 26: Rainforest Assembly during the day and a special family presentation in the evening.
 - f. Oct 5: K-4 Grandparent's Day, 9:00-10:30am

Mrs. Heather Cramer, Marion Local Treasurer, submitted the following report:

The financial report for August 2017 was approved by the board. The report showed that \$338,173.07 was spent on 2 regular payrolls, \$275,260.73 was issued in warrant checks and \$141,956.14 in memo checks. Cash receipts for the month totaled \$972,055.34 and interest income was \$7,442.56.

Motion Items

Exhibit 2B-1

Changes to Temporary Appropriations

- None

Exhibit 2B-2

Changes to the Certificate of Estimated Resources

- None

Additional Motion Items

None

Other Informational Items

Casino Tax Revenue

- We received \$22,893.33 from casino tax revenue at the end of August for January through July. Last year for the same time period we received \$22,772.87, which is very comparable.

Property Values Article in The Daily Standard on 9/5/17

- Discussed the property values article in the newspaper and explained that I would like more detail from Randy Grapner, County Auditor, before proceeding with these numbers since they are different from what we were told to expect at the Five Year Forecast Training.
- Explained that when agriculture taxes decrease due to decreased assessed valuations that residential tax payers will pick up that decrease in order for the school to continue to collect the same amount on our emergency levy.
- Also explained that 2017 is a revaluation year so they do on-site appraisals this year to recalculate property taxes.

17-58:

Tim Pohlman motioned that the Treasurer's Report be approved as presented by Mrs. Cramer. Randy Bruns seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Pohlman yea, Bruns yea, Schwieterman yea, Moorman yea and Pierron yea. Motion passed.

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

BUS DRIVER IN-SERVICE

This year Celina is hosting the bus driver in-service for Mercer County. It takes place from 6-9 p.m. on September 27th.

FALL EVENTS

I would like to congratulate our students for getting off to a great start in their fall activities.

SAFETY WEEK

We are currently conducting safety drills this week at the elementary and high school.

SPECIAL ED. RATING

Every year, we receive a rating on the performance of our special education program, known as the Special Education Rating. The Ohio Department of Education uses final data that our district submitted through the Education Management Information System (EMIS). The data result in one of four ratings — *Meets Requirements*, *Needs Assistance*, *Needs Intervention* or *Needs Substantial Intervention*.

Marion Local School District's 2017 Special Education Rating is ***Meets Requirements***. The primary basis of this rating is the final special education program data your district submitted through EMIS for the ***2015-2016*** school year.

17-59:

Dave Moorman motioned to approve the items contained on the consent agenda for the regular meeting as presented. Brenda Schwieterman seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Moorman yea, Schwieterman yea, Pohlman yea, Bruns yea and Pierron yea. Motion passed.

1. To accept the resignation of Treva Fortkamp as 8th grade Girls Basketball Coach.
2. To hire Treva Fortkamp as Freshmen Girls Basketball Coach on a one-year contract per the established pay schedule.
3. To hire Aaron Rose as 8th grade Girls Basketball Coach on a one-year contract per the established pay schedule.
4. To approve the list of classified substitutes:
Jenny Albers, Diane Moeller, Angie Homan, Becky Hartings, Linda Schoenlein, Elaine Heitkamp, Amy Jacoby, Angie Osterholt, Maria Rethman, Mona Berning, Linda Broering, Tonya Pavelka, Pat Overman
5. To approve the Ag Science students to attend the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, IN on October 25-27, 2017.
6. To approve the 5th/6th grade band field trip to the Lima Civic Center on October 13, 2017.
7. To approve the 7th/8th grade band field trip to Kings Island on May 5, 2018.

17-60:

Upon the Superintendent's recommendation, Randy Bruns motioned that the Board of Education enter into Executive Session to discuss employment of a public employee. Tim Pohlman seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Bruns yea, Pohlman yea, Schwieterman yea, Moorman yea and Pierron yea. Motion passed.

Entered into Executive Session: 7:16 p.m.

Out of Executive Session: 8:30 p.m.

17-61:

Brenda Schwieterman motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Dave Moorman seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Schwieterman yea, Moorman yea, Bruns yea, Pohlman yea and Pierron yea. Motion passed.