

**Marion Local Board of Education
Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 17, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board
Conference Room.**

Randy Bruns, Phil Moeller, Dave Moorman and Jesse Rose answered roll call by Treasurer, Heather Cramer. Tim Pohlman was absent.

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

18-62:

Phil Moeller motioned that the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 13, 2018 be approved as read. Jesse Rose seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Moeller yea, Rose yea, Moorman yea and Bruns yea. Motion passed.

Jack Albers was present to discuss increasing the financial compensation of substitute teachers. He also thanked everyone in the district who helped him with his long-term teaching position last year.

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

Teachers completed a total of 89 hours of technology in-services this summer. Fall technology in-service opportunities will be available soon.

Technology Purchases

- 6 Chromebook Batteries for student replacement
- 3 Sets of computer speakers for teacher computers

Technology Issues/Concerns/Miscellaneous

- The school year is off to a great start.
- Teachers and students are utilizing Google by using Chromebooks, Google Docs, and Google Classroom. Here is a snapshot of how much Google is used during one day last week.
 - 706 Chromebooks logged in
 - 106 Google Classrooms being used by teachers
 - 474 Google Docs created
 - 183 Google Presentations created
- With the increase of student devices we increased our internet connection speed to 500 mBits.

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:

Last week was safe schools week. The Mercer Co Sheriff's Dept. participated in our lockdown/evacuation safety drill.

CC+ Update:

We have 55 students who are earning college credit while remaining at Marion Local this fall. The class involved are: Precalculus with teacher Doug Jutte, English with teacher Lynne Yates, and Spanish with teacher Julie Overman.

Guidance:

Marion hosted the ACT on Saturday, September 8th and 45 students took the test. Thanks to Jenny Dippold for providing this service for our students.

Performance Index:

I would like to commend the students and thank the teachers and community for the outstanding achievement that was just publicized with ML being ranked #4 out of 600+ schools in Ohio.

Upcoming events:

- Sept 18 Yearbook Leadership Team to Wapak
- Sept 19 School Pictures
- Sept 21 Mercer Co Soil Judging Contest
- Sept 26 District Soils Contest
- Oct 3 Honda field trip
- Oct 3 Career exploration at Eldora

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 20th 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 24th we kicked off a new initiative for the elementary called Be Kind First. This program will focus on four different character traits throughout the school year: Be Kind, Be Generous, Be Inclusive, and Speak Up. We started Be Kind with an assembly where the students were shown a video and spoken to about the importance of how kindness can have a ripple effect. Each character trait will be followed up with a lesson all students (K-8) will do in their classrooms. At the end of the month, multiple students at each grade level will be chosen as citizens of the month who exhibit this character trait. The program cost \$500 to start in our school (which was donated by a local company). At the end of the school year, we will draw one name from all of the

students named citizens of the month throughout the school year and this student will choose a charity to donate the original cost of the program (\$500) to.

4. Fall athletics: We have 107/124 7th and 8th grade students involved in extracurricular activities this fall. 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).
5. We completed Safe Schools Week drills (fire, tornado, lock down, and bus evacuations). Thanks to the staff for their assistance with all of the disruptions to the regular schedule.
6. Upcoming events:
 - a. Sept 18: Fall picture day
 - b. Sept 21: 7th grade DC trip fundraiser kickoff
 - c. Sept 30: ML/MCDO Bike Rodeo
 - d. Oct 8: No School – County In-service

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

The financial report for August 2018 was approved by the board. The report showed that \$389,729.70 was spent on 2 regular payrolls, \$209,660.44 was issued in warrant checks and \$151,655.52 in memo checks. Cash receipts for the month totaled \$1,096,251.25 and interest income was \$12,020.39.

Motion Items

Temporary Appropriations

- Increase Fund 001 - Transfers & Advances \$15,000 for new grants
- Create new Fund 499 account for Safe Routes to Schools Program Grant of \$5,000 plus advance of \$5,000
- Increase Fund 461 - 5th Quarter Grant \$636.36 to actual amount of grant
- Create new Fund 599 account for Early Learning Initiative Grant of \$10,000 plus advance of \$10,000
- Decrease Fund 019 Emerson Grant \$120 to match actual balance for FY 2019

Estimated Resources

- Increase Fund 001 – Advance In Return \$15,000 for new grants
- Create new Fund 499 account for Safe Routes to Schools Program Grant of \$5,000 plus advance of \$5,000
- Increase Fund 461 - 5th Quarter Grant \$636.36 to actual amount of grant
- Create new Fund 599 account for Early Learning Initiative Grant of \$10,000 plus advance of \$10,000

Additional Motion Items

Facility Project Fund & Transfer

- Approve the transfer of \$500,000 from the General Fund to Capital Projects Fund 070-9001.

Deposit Agreement with Osgood State Bank

- Motion to approve the Memorandum of Agreement for Deposit of Public Funds with Osgood State Bank effective September 18, 2018 thru September 30, 2022. The agreement has been updated to include the following as types of securities deposited or security offered:
 - Eligible Federal Home Loan Bank Letter of Credit for Public Unit Deposit Collateralization
 - Certificate of Deposit Account Registry Service (CDARS) Certificates of Deposit
 - Insured Cash Sweep (ICS) Program

Other Informational Items

Casino Tax Revenue

- We received \$23,411.35 from casino tax revenue at the end of August for January through July. Last year for the same time period we received \$22,893.33, which at an increase of \$518.02 it is very comparable.

Request for Proposal for Underwriting Services

- On Friday Umbaugh & Associates sent out our request for proposal (RFP) for underwriting services for the bond issue to seven active firms in the Ohio K-12 market.
- Proposals are due Friday, September 28th by 2:00 p.m. If we choose to conduct oral presentations, they will be on Wednesday, October 10th at Marion Local. Finalists will hopefully be named by October 15th. We are able to select a maximum of two firms to our underwriting pool from the group of responding firms, but are not obligated to.
- There are no fees associated with naming an underwriter or two for us to pool. Underwriter fees are paid from the extra proceeds typically generated by the bond sale.

Bond Levy Ballot Language

- Below is the official ballot language that I approved on 9/5/18.

<p>PROPOSED BOND ISSUE Marion Local School District</p> <p>A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage</p> <p>Shall bonds be issued by the Marion Local School District for the purpose of new construction, improvements, renovations and additions to school facilities and other improvements including acquiring and installing equipment, furnishings and site improvements, and all necessary appurtenances thereto, in the principal amount of sixteen million dollars (\$16,000,000) to be repaid annually over a maximum period of twenty-five (25) years, and an annual levy of property taxes be made outside of the ten-mill limitation, estimated by the county auditor to average over the repayment period of the bond issue eight and five-tenths (8.5) mills for each one dollar of tax valuation, which amounts to eighty-five cents (\$0.85) for each one hundred dollars of tax valuation, commencing in 2018, first due in calendar year 2019, to pay the annual debt charges on the bonds, and to pay debt charges on any notes issued in anticipation of those bonds?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> FOR THE BOND ISSUE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> AGAINST THE BOND ISSUE</p>
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18-63:

Dave Moorman motioned that the Treasurer’s Report be approved as presented by Mrs. Cramer. Jesse Rose seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Moorman yea, Rose yea, Moeller yea and Bruns yea. Motion passed.

18-64:

Upon the Superintendent’s recommendation, Phil Moeller motioned that the Board of Education approve changes to the Temporary Appropriations and Certificate of Estimated Resources per the exhibits. Dave Moorman seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Moeller yea, Moorman yea, Rose yea and Bruns yea. Motion passed.

**Marion Local Superintendent, Mr. Mike Pohlman, submitted the following report:
BUS DRIVER IN-SERVICE**

This year St Henry is hosting the bus driver in-service for Mercer County. It takes place from 6-9 p.m. on Wednesday, September 26th.

STATE REPORT CARD

Report cards were released this past Thursday. I want to congratulate our students, staff, and community for a job well done.

SAFETY WEEK

The principals conducted all of our safety drills this past week at their building. I want to thank them and the entire staff and student body for doing a great job.

SPECIAL ED. RATING

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

Marion Local’s 2018 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 **2016-2017** school year.

****New* Results for Students with Disabilities***

Measures of procedural compliance are historically the basis of your rating. Starting **this year**, your special education rating also includes **measures of results** for students with disabilities. The student results measures in this year’s rating include the following:

- Math proficiency rate for students with disabilities, across all grades;
- Reading proficiency rate for students with disabilities, across all grades; and
- Third grade reading proficiency rate for students with disabilities.

18-65:

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

1. To accept the resignation of Angie Moeller as a Cook effective August 21, 2018.
2. To approve to hire Tonya Pavelka as a Dishwasher on a one-year contract retroactive to August 22, 2018 and as an Instructional Aide on a ½ year contract retroactive to September 5, 2018.
3. To approve the following transfers retroactive to August 22, 2018:
Kiley Huelsman from 4 hours to 5.5 hours/day as a Cook
Angie Osterholt from 2.5 hours to 4 hours/day as a Cook
Mary Lou Bruns from 3.5 hours to 4 hours avg./day as a Study Hall Monitor/Cafeteria Aide
4. To hire Rod Pleiman as Jr. High Scholastic Bowl Advisor on a one-year contract per the established pay schedule.
5. To approve the list of classified substitutes:
Diane Moeller, Linda Schoenlein, Becky Hartings, Amy Jacoby, Pat Fleck, Dianna Gerlach, Angie Homan, Monica Homan, Maria Rethman, Amy Schoen, Jenny Albers, Linda Broering, Lora Pohl.
6. To approve the Ag Science students to attend the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, IN on October 24-26, 2018.
7. To approve the Memorandum of Agreement for Deposit of Public Funds with Osgood State Bank effective September 18, 2018 thru September 30, 2022.
8. To approve the acceptance of the Safe Routes to Schools Program Grant in the amount of \$5,000.00.
9. To approve the transfer of \$500,000 from General Fund to Capital Projects Fund 070-9001.

18-66:

Upon the Superintendent's recommendation, Phil Moeller motioned that the Board of Education enter into Executive Session to discuss compensation of public employee. Jesse Rose seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Moeller yea, Rose yea, Moorman yea and Bruns yea. Motion passed.

Entered into Executive Session: 7:28 p.m.

Out Executive Session: 9:47 p.m.

18-67:

Dave Moorman motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:48 p.m. Jesse Rose seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Moorman yea, Rose yea, Moeller yea and Bruns yea. Motion passed.