

Marion Local Board of Education

Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 12, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Conference Room.

Meeting was called to order 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 Treasurer, Amy Reineke.

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

22-55:

Phil Moeller motioned that the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 8, 2022 be approved as read. Shannon Everman seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Moeller yea, Everman yea, Rose yea, Pohlman yea and Bruns yea. Motion passed.

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

- Teachers completed at total of 20 hours of technology in-services this summer.
- Fall technology in-service opportunities will be available soon.

Technology Purchases

- None

Technology Issues/Concerns/Miscellaneous

- Thank you for your support of technology in the classroom.
 - 933 Chromebooks are being used by teachers and students on a daily basis.
 - 142 Active Google Classrooms are being used by teachers.
 - 18 Seesaw classrooms for 2nd grade

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:

We conducted all drills in compliance with Safe Schools Week. All went well. Thanks to the students and teachers for their effort and cooperation.

CC+ Update:

We have 31 students who are earning college credit while remaining at Marion Local this fall. The classes involved are: PreCal with Alexa Sutton, Psychology with Erica Schulze and Physics and Astronomy with Todd Ashbaugh.

Graduation:

The class of 2023 is the first class to graduate solely under the new graduation requirements. Students must pass required credits, show competency on Alg 1 and ELA 2 tests, and also earn two graduation seals. There are a couple of alternative pathways to the testing requirements and there are a dozen seals to choose from.

Upcoming events:

Sept 12 Yearbook Workshop
Sept 16 Mercer Co Soil Judging Contest
Sept 21 School Pictures
Sept 26 College Application/Financial Aid Meeting for seniors
Sept 28 District Soil Judging Contest
Oct 3 Teacher In-Service

Marion Local K-8 Principal, Nick Wilker, submitted the following report:

Teacher Professional Development:

Teachers who have tested areas have received an item analysis document prepared by the ESC. It is giving them valuable information on what percentage of students answered questions correctly and links to released testing questions from last spring.

Open House:

Open House was again a success. The building was filled with parents and students eager to begin the new school year. Most classrooms had 100% attendance that night.

PBIS update:

All students have participated in a booster session reminding them of the common behavior expectations in the cafeteria, playground, and hallways. The teachers are also working on consistent behavior expectations and reward incentives in the classroom as well. Our “Be A Flyer” theme has been posted in the classrooms and around the school.

Student Extracurricular Activities:

We have a high percentage of 7th and 8th grade students participating in band, cheerleading, cross country, football, and volleyball. I would like to thank our staff members who take the extra time to coach these students: Brad Spettel (band), Caitlin Homan (volleyball), Rod Pleiman, Cody

Smith, and Kyle Grabowski (football), and Jeff Kaup, Michelle Kessen, and Rod Pleiman who all server as faculty advisors who make sure all of these extracurricular events run smoothly.

Safe Schools Week:

Fire, Tornado, Lockdown drills, as well as bus evacuations took place the week of September 6th. All drills went well and the teachers did a great job reviewing procedure with the students.

Upcoming events:

September 20 – Fall picture day

September 29-30 – 5th/6th grade Camp Willson overnight field trip

October 3 – No School, county-wide teacher professional development day

October 4 – 1st grade field trip

October 6 – 4th grade field trip

October 6 – K-2 Grandparent’s Day

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

The financial report for August 2022 including the additional reports provided was approved by the board. For the month, expenditures totaled \$1,026,014.70, cash receipts were \$1,463,067.75 and interest income was \$10,404.24.

Motion Items

Changes to Temporary Appropriations

- No changes

Changes to the Certificate of Estimated Resources

- No Changes

Other Informational Items

Five Year Forecast

- The Five Year Forecast is due on November 30th. I am not sure if I will be presenting it at the October or November meeting. I will keep you updated on that.

Casino Tax Revenue

- We received \$30,819.09 from casino tax revenue at the end of August for January through July. Last year for the same time period we received \$27,713.01.

Capital Conference

- The 2022 OSBA Capital Conference and Trade Show will be held November 13-15 as an in-person event. Jesse Rose will be attending from our district.

Emergency Levy Renewal

- We will have our Emergency Levy Renewal on the ballot on November 8, 2022. This is a renewal of our Emergency Levy that is currently in place. It generates \$1,200,662 per year for our district. Our valuation increased since the last renewal. A levy of taxes to be made outside of

the ten-mill limitation is estimated by the county auditor to average 9 mills or \$0.90 for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for a period of 5 years. If approved, it will commence in 2023 and will be first due in 2024.

22-56:

Tim Pohlman motioned that the following reports be approved as presented by Mrs. Reineke. Shannon Everman seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Pohlman yea, Everman yea, Moeller yea, Rose 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

22-57:

Phil Moeller motioned to revise and eliminate the resolution to approve changes to Appropriations and Certificate of Estimated Resources. Jesse Rose seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Moeller yea, Rose yea, Pohlman yea, Everman yea and Bruns yea. Motion passed.

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

STAFFING

Included on the consent agenda is a motion to accept the resignation of Denise Dahlinghaus as dishwasher, Tara Grieshop as dishwasher, and Steve Hemmelgarn as swim coach. It is recommended to hire Diana Mendenhall as a dishwasher, approve the change in hours for Instructional Aid Molly Goudy, approve Sue Bruns for an Alternative principal license, hire the list of spring athletic coaches as listed on the consent agenda, approve the list of classified substitutes, approve Joe Heitbrink as a substitute bus driver, and approve Adam Bertke as a volunteer for the football program.

FIELD TRIP

Included on the consent agenda is a motion to approve the Ag. Ed. field trip to the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis on October 26-28.

DONATIONS

On the consent agenda is a motion to approve donation from Nick and Julie Schulze of \$500 for Fellowship of Christian Athletes at Marion Local.

AUDIOLOGY SERVICES

On the consent agenda is a motion to approve the contract with the Montgomery County EC for audiology services for the 22-23 school year.

C. Advisory Items

None

D. Informational Items

TASK FORCE

The first Task Force meeting was conducted in August and we were able to meet as a group and start the process to look into what this community desires and match it up with future facility needs. Our second meeting in September will build upon the results from the first meeting as we narrow our focus down. It is best to view this as a marathon and not a sprint in regards to gathering information.

EMERGENCY LEVY (RENEWAL)

Amy and I will continue to inform our community of this levy that is scheduled to be on the ballot on November 8th. This is a renewal levy from an expiring 5 year emergency levy, and is not associated with the facilities that we are studying with our Task Force committee.

22-58:

Phil Moeller motioned to approve the 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, Everman yea, Rose yea and Bruns yea. Motion passed.

1. To approve the resignation of Denise Dahlinghaus as a dishwasher retroactive to August 23, 2022.
2. To approve the resignation of Tara Grieshop as a dishwasher effective September 20, 2022.
3. To approve the resignation of Steve Hemmelgarn as Co-Assistant Swimming Coach.
4. To hire Diane Mendenhall as a 3 hrs./day Dishwasher on a one year contract per the established pay schedule effective 9-12-22.
5. To approve the change of hours for Molly Goudy as an Instructional Aide from 5.83 hrs/day to 5.08 hrs/day retroactive to September 6, 2022.
6. To approve Sue Bruns for an Alternative Principal license for her appointment of Assistant Principal at Marion Local Elementary which includes grade levels kindergarten through eighth grade.
7. To hire the following coaches on a one-year contract per the established pay schedule pending proper certification:

Head Softball – Mindy Feasel	Head Baseball – Mitch Hays
Asst. Softball – Russ Puthoff	Asst. Baseball – Jeremy Link
Co-Head Track – Kyle Grabowski	Varsity Asst. Track – Danielle Sutter
Co-Head Track – Eric Schlarman	Asst. Varsity Track - Danielle Otte
Co-Head Track – Kathy Dirksen	Head JH Girls Track – Alex Hemmelgarn
Head Jr. High Boys Track – Rod Pleiman	Jr. High Asst. Track – Austin Wendel
8. To approve the list of classified substitutes:

Diane Moeller, Becky Hartings, Pat Fleck, Jenny Albers, Dianne Post, Viv Hartings, Bernice Reichert, Nancy Luebke, Cindy Moeder, Amy Jacoby, Lora Poeppelman, Sharon Siegrist, Donna Moeller.

9. To approve Joe Heitbrink as a substitute bus driver.
10. To approve Adam Bertke as a volunteer with the football program.
11. To approve the agreement contract between Marion Local Schools and the Montgomery County Educational Service Center beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023 for Hearing/Audiology services at an estimated cost of \$15,540.00.
12. To approve the Ag Science field trip to the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, IN on October 26-28, 2022.
13. To approve the donation of \$500 to the Marion Local Fellowship of Christian Athletes from Nick & Julie Schulze.

22-59:

Upon the Superintendent's recommendation, Shannon Everman motioned that the Board of Education enter into Executive Session to discuss the employment of a public employee. 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.

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

Out of Executive Session: 8:53 p.m.

22-60:

Jesse Rose motioned to approve a pay increase for Groundskeepers, Treva Fortkamp and Don Heitbrink, to \$15.00/hr. effective 9-12-22. Shannon Everman seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Rose yea, Everman yea, Pohlman yea, Moeller yea and Bruns yea. Motion passed.

22-61:

Shannon Everman motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m. Phil Moeller seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Everman yea, Moeller yea, Pohlman yea, Rose yea and Bruns yea. Motion passed.

The next regular board meeting will be on October 10, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Conference Room.