

**Marion Local Board of Education**  
**Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 11, 2023 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.

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

**23-60:**

Shannon Everman motioned that the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 14, 2023 be approved as read. Tim Pohlman seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Everman yea, Pohlman yea, Moeller yea, Rose yea and Bruns yea. Motion passed.

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

- Fall technology in-service opportunities will be available soon.

**Technology Purchases**

- 5 Epson Projector bulbs

**Technology Issues/Concerns/Miscellaneous**

- Thank you for your support of technology in the classroom.
  - 906 Chromebooks are being used by teachers and students on a daily basis.
  - 133 Active Google Classrooms are being used by teachers.

**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.

### **CCP Update:**

We have 77 students who are earning college credit while remaining at Marion Local this fall. The classes involved are: Pre Calc and Stats with Alexa Sutton, Psychology with Erica Schulze and Western Civilization with Kyle Grabowski. This is up from 31 last year. Todd Ashbaugh will teach Physics during the spring semester and those numbers are not included.

### **Upcoming events:**

- Sept 15 Mercer Co Soil Judging Contest
- Sept 21 School Pictures
- Sept 23 ML Band Contest
- Sept 25 College Application Night with Mrs Dippold
- Sept 26 Hope Squad Retreat
- Sept 27 District Soil Judging Contest
- Oct 2 Teacher In-Service

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

#### **Students**

- 8 new 6th grade members for Hope Squad, nominated and voted on by their peers
- K-3 students and staff have completed STAR CBM as part of the dyslexia mandate. Students are screened in the areas of phonemic awareness, letter naming, letter-sound correspondence, nonsense words, and oral reading fluency

#### Upcoming Events

- October 4 - 8th Grade Tri Star visit
- October 5 - Grandparents' Day (gr. K-2)
- October 9-13 - CogAt & Iowa testing for 2nd & 4th grades

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

The financial report for August 2023 including the additional reports provided, was approved by the board. For the month, expenditures totaled \$1,037,909.85, cash receipts were \$2,787,775.29 and interest income was \$34,097.71.

### **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 30<sup>th</sup>. I will be presenting this at the October or November meeting.

### **Casino Tax Revenue**

- We received \$31,518.86 from casino tax revenue at the end of August for January through July. Last year for the same time period we received \$30,819.09.

### **Capital Conference**

- The 2023 OSBA Capital Conference and Trade Show will be held November 12-14. Please, let me know if you plan to attend.

### **23-61:**

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

Included on the consent agenda is a motion to approve the spring sport coaches as listed on the consent agenda and approve the list of classified substitutes.

#### **TRI STAR PURCHASE**

Included on the consent agenda is a motion to approve the Tri Star advisory recommendation to purchase a walk in freezer for Animal Science at a cost of \$17,400 from the reserve capital fund.

#### **GIFTED PLAN**

On the consent agenda is a motion to approve the district Gifted plan.

#### **C. Advisory Items**

None

#### **D. Informational Items**

##### **START OF SCHOOL YEAR**

We had a great start to the school year with current enrollment at 933 students.

##### **PROJECT**

We completed phase 2 of the weight room renovation with grant money we received through the Stronger Connections grant. This will enable us to better serve our students athletes with their extra-curricular activities and also our students during Physical Education class.



**23-62:**

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

1. To approve the following coaches on a one-year contract per the established pay schedule pending proper certification:

Head Softball – Mindy Feasel

Asst. Softball – Russ Puthoff

Co-Head Track – Kyle Grabowski

Co-Head Track – Eric Schlarman

Co-Head Track – Kathy Dirksen

Head JH Boys Track – Rod Pleiman

Head JH Girls Track – Alex Hemmelgarn

Head Baseball – Mitch Hays

Asst. Baseball – Jeremy Link

Co-Asst. Baseball – Alex Hemmelgarn

Co-Asst. Baseball – Nathan Ungruhn

Varsity Asst. Track – Danielle Sutter

Asst. Varsity Track – Danielle Otte

JH Asst. Track – Austin Wendel

2. 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, Lora Poeppelman, Sharon Siegrist, Sharon Schulte, Beth Rosenbeck, Molly Goudy, Karen Thobe, Marcia Tebbe, Carol Hartings.

3. To approve the Cross Country Camp Fund 300-9014.
4. To approve the Tri Star Advisory Referral to purchase a freezer for Animal Science for food service storage at \$17,400 with Reserve Capital funds.
5. To approve the Marion Local Schools District Gifted Education Plan.

**23-63:**

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

Entered into Executive Session: 7:13 p.m.

Out of Executive Session: 8:23 p.m.

No action was taken.

**23-64:**

Jesse Rose motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 p.m. Phil Moeller seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Rose yea, Moeller yea, Pohlman yea, Everman yea and Bruns yea. Motion passed.

The next regular meeting will be held on October 9, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Conference Room.