

Marion Local Board of Education

Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 13, 2021 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 Treasurer, Amy Reineke.

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

21-74:

Jesse Rose motioned that the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 9, 2021 be approved as read. 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.

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

- Teachers completed at total of 61 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.
 - 857 Chromebooks are being used by students on a daily basis.
 - 147 Active Google Classrooms are being used by teachers.
 - 20 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.

CC+ Update:

We have 18 students who are earning college credit while remaining at Marion Local this fall. The classes involved are: English with teacher Lynne Yates, Psychology with Erica Schulze and Physics with Todd Ashbaugh.

Upcoming events:

- Sept 17 Mercer Co Soil Judging Contest
- Sept 21 College Application/Financial Aid Meeting for seniors
- Sept 23 School Pictures
- Sept 23 District Soil Judging Contest
- Sept 27 Interim Reports
- Oct 11 Teacher In-Service

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

Teacher Professional Development:

Teachers who have tested areas will soon be receiving a document prepared by the ESC providing a great deal of data on a 4-year trend that can allow the teachers to really dive deep into the “why’s” of where our students may be struggling.

Student Achievement:

All grade levels are off to a great start. We have teachers taking part again in Restart Readiness Assessments that will provide a baseline assessment of where they are currently at. Questions asked of students come from previous grade level state assessments. Throughout the year the teachers can conduct different checkpoints to ensure growth is taking place.

Open House:

Open House was a huge success. The building was packed 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, cross country, football, and volleyball. All of these students were acknowledged in a pep assembly. I would like to thank our staff members who take the extra time to coach these students: Brad Spettel (band), Erica Oldiges (volleyball), Rod Pleiman and Cody Smith (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.

Upcoming events:

September 22 – Fall picture day

October 5 – 1st grade field trip

October 11 – No School, county-wide teacher professional development day

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

The financial report for August 2021 including the additional reports provided, was approved by the board. For the month, expenditures totaled \$829,882.29, cash receipts were \$959,711.22 and interest income was \$3,124.03.

Motion Items

Changes to Temporary Appropriations

- No changes

Changes to the Certificate of Estimated Resources

- No Changes

Hire Assistant Treasurer

- Motion to approve to hire Lori Koch as the Assistant Treasurer per the established contract.

Other Informational Items

Investment Report Updates

- Renewals of Certificate of Deposit in August 2021. Renewed with Osgood Bank – details on investment sheet. Athletic Director CD (\$30,510.88) matured at the end of August but due to the transition and timing, it wasn't cashed out until September.

Update on Treasurer Transition

- My first day serving as Treasurer at Marion Local School was 8/30/2021. My son had surgery on 9/8 and I was out of the office 9/8 through 9/10. Lori, Lynn, Katie, and Mike have all been very helpful at helping me get settled and learn about the district and its processes. I appreciate them all very much. I am enjoying it here.

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. I worked with Forecast 5 on the Five Year Forecast at my previous district. The district contracted with them for their services. They were incredible to work with and helped with trends and updates to funding.

Lori has also offered to assist with the current spreadsheets and processes that Heather has used in the past for this coming filing. Please, let me know questions or comments that you have and we can discuss those further.

Casino Tax Revenue

- We received \$27,713.01 from casino tax revenue at the end of August for January through July. Last year for the same time period we received \$12,240.12, which is a 44% increase due primarily to restrictions being lifted for COVID-19.

Capital Conference

- The 2021 OSBA Capital Conference and Trade Show will be held November 7-9 as an in-person event. OSBA has released a statement updating any participant that the City of Columbus has issued a mandatory face-covering order for all publicly accessible spaces within the City of Columbus, whether or not a person has been vaccinated. This will be required of all conference attendees.
- This in-person event offers three days of learning sessions.
- Registration is encouraged to be done by **November 4th** so please let me know if you would like to attend the in-person conference. Registration is \$310 per person or a flat fee of \$1,975 for seven or more attendees.
- You should have received an email from OSBA with details about the in-person conference.
- Kurt Wendel, Mercer Co. ESC Treasurer, called stating that he has reservations for 20 rooms for the conference. He asked us to let him know how many rooms we would need once we know how many attendees will be going from our district.

21-75:

Shannon Everman motioned to approve the following reports as submitted by Mrs. Reineke. 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.

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 accept the resignation of Macey Griesdorn as 7th grade girls' basketball coach, hire Lori Koch as Asst. Treasurer on an as needed basis, hire Angie Niemeyer as a long term substitute teacher, and approve the supplemental contracts for the spring sports coaches. You are asked to approve Brenda Rodeheffer as LPDC committee member, approve the list of classified substitutes, approve Mike Broering as a volunteer for the golf program, Adam Bertke as a volunteer for the football program, and approve Linda Zumwald moving from cleaner to custodian.

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 27-29.

DONATIONS

On the consent agenda is a motion to approve donation from MS Welding for the repair of our aluminum football field gate.

GIFTED EDUCATION PLAN

On the consent agenda is a motion to approve the district Gifted Education plan for the 21-22 school year.

C. Advisory Items

None

D. Informational Items

BUS DRIVER IN-SERVICE

The bus driver in-service will be held at Tri Star on September 29th.

CLASSROOM ADDITION PROGRESS

In the past two weeks there has been a lot of progress with the outside exterior site work in regards to concrete sidewalks and preparing for the drive around the school. Currently windows are being installed. In the next two weeks we will most likely see the installation of the upper windows, painting and some insulation. Everything is progressing well.

WATER GRANT

I met with community member Ron Puthoff and he has helped facilitate the process to find a matching grant opportunity that the county is willing to pursue on our behalf. This is currently in the infant stages of the grant process, and we studied the cost to the school. We gathered information on our water treatment, testing of water samples, our maintenance staff hours, and our contracting service with a certified water operator. It makes sense (both financially and for water quality) for us to pursue this grant opportunity.

21-76:

Phil Moeller motioned to approve motioned contained on the consent agenda for the regular meeting as presented. 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.

1. To approve the resignation of Macey Griesdorn as 7th Grade Girls Basketball Coach,
2. To hire Lori Koch as Assistant Treasurer per the established contract effective September 2, 2021 on an as needed basis.
3. To hire Angie Niemeyer as a long-term substitute teacher at a rate of \$100/day effective August 30, 2021.
4. To approve the transfer of Linda Zumwald from a Cleaner to a Custodian at 8 hours/day per the established pay schedule.

5. 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 – Brianna Groff	Asst. Baseball – Jeremy Link
Asst. Softball – Russ Puthoff	Asst. Baseball – Jeff Kaup
Co-Head Track – Kyle Grabowski	Freshmen Baseball – TBA
Co-Head Track – Alex Hemmelgarn	Co-Head Track – Kathy Dirksen
Varsity Assistant Track – Danielle Sutter	Co-Assistant Track – TBA
Co-Assistant Track – Danielle Otte	Head Jr. High Girls Track – Sandy Bruns
Head Jr. High Boys Track – Rod Pleiman	Jr. High Assistant Track –

6. To approve Brenda Rodeheffer as the LPDC Committee member.

7. 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.

8. To approve Mike Broering as a volunteer for the golf program and Adam Bertke as a volunteer for the football program.

9. To approve the Ag Science field trip to the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, IN on October 27-29, 2021.

10. To approve the donation from MS Welding to repair the aluminum football field gate.

11. To approve the Marion Local Schools District Gifted education Plan.

21-77:

Upon the Superintendent’s recommendation, Tim Pohlman motioned that the Board of education enter into Executive Session to discuss the employment of a public employee. Shannon Everman seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Pohlman yea, Everman yea, Rose yea, Moeller yea and Bruns yea. Motion passed.

Entered into Executive Session: 7:17 p.m.

Out of Executive Session: 8:36 p.m.

No action was taken.

21-78:

Jesse Rose motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 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 board meeting will be on October 11, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Conference Room.

