

MARLETTE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LIBRARY
September 13, 2021

President Jaime Macumber called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Members Present: Neal Bishop, Scott Forbes, Shane Hunter, Scott Keys, Gina Volz, Jaime Macumber, Nik Woods

Administrators Present: Matthew Karaffa, Drake Okie, Chuck Sorentino, Alisha Vislosky, Jason Vislosky

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Macumber.

1. Motion by Neal Bishop, support by Scott Keys to adopt the agenda with the addition of Consent Agenda f.) Fundraisers: DC Trip, Carmen Blatt – Trash Bag Sales

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0
Motion Carried

During the Citizen's Request to Address the Board Michelle Cumper commented that the signs in front of the Elementary School look great and she asked if it would be possible to live stream the board meetings so that people could watch from home.

2. Motion by Shane Hunter, support by Scott Forbes to approve the Consent Agenda with the addition of f.) Fundraisers: DC Trip, Carmen Blatt – Trash Bag Sales
 - a.) Minutes August 9, 2021 – Regular Board Meeting
August 30, 2021 – Special Board Meeting
 - b.) General Fund Payables \$365,104.21
 - c.) Resignation of Staff Dawn Branding, Elementary School Teacher – Retirement
Mitch Griffee, Custodian – Retirement
Emily Pennington, Elementary School Teacher
Melisa Ferguson, Jr/Sr High School Teacher
 - d.) Employment of Staff Rachel Bennett, Assistant Cross Country Coach
Jill Bell, Varsity Cheer Coach
Dave Hayden, JH Football Coach

- e.) Expense Report
f.) Fundraisers
- Mike Nickens, Maintenance/Custodial Supervisor
Melissa Laming, Behavior Specialist
Ron Stevens, Custodian
August 2021
Band, Mike Yaros – Pie Sales, Gift Card Raffle, Kona Ice Sales, Wreath Sales
Yearbook Class, Denise Bednaryczk – Dunk Tank
NHS, Melanie Pasek – Lollipop Sales
DC Trip, Carmen Blatt – Trash Bag Sales

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0
Motion Carried

3. Motion by Nik Woods support by Scott Keys to approve the 2021 L-4029 forms as presented.

Ayes: Hunter, Volz, Forbes, Woods, Keys, Bishop, Macumber
Nays: None
Motion Carried

Superintendent Karaffa presented the Board with language changes to Policy 2260.01 and Administrative Guideline 2260.01A and changes to Bylaws po0167.3 – Public Participation at Board Meetings for a First Reading.

4. Motion by Gina Volz, support by Nik Woods to approve the language changes to Policy 2260.01 and Administrative Guideline 2260.01A and the First Reading of Bylaw po0167.3 as presented.

Ayes: Bishop, Keys, Woods, Hunter, Volz, Forbes, Macumber
Nays: None
Motion Carried

Supt. Karaffa presented the Board with a marketing proposal from Field of Play Marketing.

5. Motion by Shane Hunter, support by Nik Woods to move forward with the marketing proposal as presented.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0
Motion Carried

6. Motion by Scott Forbes, support by Neal Bishop to approve the Bus Mechanic Contract revision as presented.

Ayes: Keys, Woods, Forbes, Bishop, Hunter, Volz, Macumber

Nays: None

Motion Carried

7. Motion by Shane Hunter, support by Gina Volz to approve the Elementary School Principal Contract revision as presented.

Ayes: Bishop, Forbes, Volz, Hunter, Woods, Keys, Macumber

Nays: None

Motion Carried

8. Motion by Shane Hunter, support by Scott Keys to approve the Custodian Contract revision as presented.

Ayes: Keys, Woods, Bishop, Forbes, Volz, Hunter, Macumber

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Jason Vislosky, Elementary School Principal, presented the Board with test scores for both the Elementary School and the Jr/Sr High School. As a whole, Marlette Schools did very well when compared to the county as well as the state. He stated that this was a team effort and commended the teachers and the students.

Alisha Vislosky, Special Education Administrator, reported that she has been getting into as many classrooms as possible. The special education staff meets once a week and after school tutoring is being offered.

Drake Okie, Athletic Director, reported that this has been an exciting month and that everyone has been very helpful. He thanked Al Patrick, Mike Nickens and Shawn Varey for work done on the sign/fence at the football field. He reported that despite a lot of hard work, there are not enough athletes to have a boys soccer team this year. After a late start, Foster Findlay and Rachel Bennett are doing a great job coaching the Cross Country Teams. The "Pink Out" game versus Brown City will be this Friday.

Shauna Lester, Teacher Representative to the Board, reported that the Elementary School had a good start to the school year. The High School students and staff feel it was a more normal start of the year and the new staff members are awesome.

Trinity Tobey, Student Representative to the Board, reported that students are happy to not be wearing masks, it's nice to be able to see everyone's faces. T-shirts are for sale and committees are meeting for homecoming.

Superintendent Karaffa reported that we will be ordering Chromebooks for the Board. He would like to start honoring a student or member of the staff at the beginning of each board meeting. Signs have been placed at the schools to help recruit bus drivers. The Sanilac County superintendents have discussed COVID protocols so everyone is on the same page.

President Macumber thanked Superintendent Karaffa for bringing in Eric Hipple. She said it was a great experience for all who attended.

9. Motion by Nik Woods support by Scott Keys to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

President Macumber adjourned the regular meeting at 8:33 p.m.



Scott Forbes, Secretary