

MARLETTE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LIBRARY
February 14, 2022

President Macumber called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

Administrators Present: Matthew Karaffa, Steven Dunk, Jessica Owen, Alisha Vislosky, Drake
Okie

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Macumber

1. Motion by Neal Bishop, support by Shane Hunter to adopt the agenda with the addition of Consent Agenda d.) Employment of Staff – Rebecca Leslie, Girls Varsity Soccer Coach and Foster Findlay, Boys Varsity Track & Field Coach

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

2. Motion by Neal Bishop support by Nik Woods to approve the Consent Agenda with the addition of d.) Employment of Staff – Rebecca Leslie, Girls Varsity Soccer Coach and Foster Findlay, Boys Varsity Track & Field Coach.

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| a. Minutes | January 10, 2022 - Regular Board Meeting |
| b. General Fund Payables | \$514,301.70 |
| c. Resignation of Staff | Chris Storm, Boys Track & Track Field Coach
Jasmine McNary, Assistant Track & Field Coach
Clint Dixon, Custodian |
| d. Employment of Staff | Trevor Clark, Jr/Sr High School Director of Student
Affairs
Rebecca Leslie, Girls Varsity Soccer Coach
Foster Findlay, Boys Varsity Track & Field Coach |
| e. Expense Report | January 2022 |
| f. Fundraisers | High School Student Council, Shauna Lester – T-Shirt
and Popcorn Sales
Band, Mike Yaros – Little Caesars Pizza Kit Sales
NHS, Melanie Pasek – Candy Bar Sales
DC Trip, Carmen Blatt – Candle Sales
Class of 2024, Justin Marquardt – Half Court Shots and
Mattress Sale |

Ayes: 6
Nays: 0
Motion Carried

The Red Raider Spotlight was presented to Mrs. Tammy Dobbelaere. Mrs. Dobbelaere has worked for the District since August 2000. She is a bus driver, has subbed as a custodian and a para pro and has also worked as a coach. Her love for children is evident. She has volunteered in numerous ways throughout her time in the community. She is always willing to help out, is flexible and reliable!

3. Motion by Scott Forbes, support by Nik Woods approve the Marlette Leader as the newspaper of notification.

Ayes: 5
Nays: 1 – Bishop
Motion Carried

Superintendent Karaffa announced that the District will be accepting nominations for the 2022 Friend of Youth. This person should be someone who has made a special contribution to youth and youth programs in our community. They will be honored at the Thumb Meet of Champions on Tuesday, May 31, 2022.

4. Motion by Neal Bishop, support by Shane Hunter to approve the Refunding Bonds Resolution as presented.

Ayes: Woods, Volz, Hunter, Forbes, Bishop, Macumber
Nays: None
Resolution Adopted

Superintendent Karaffa presented the Board with a quote to upgrade and add new cameras throughout the District.

5. Motion by Scott Forbes, support by Shane Hunter to approve the camera quote as presented.

Ayes: 6
Nays: 0
Motion Carried

Steven Dunk, Elementary School Principal presented the Board with graphs representing the students reading and math proficiency. The graphs show comparisons from fall to winter based on STAR testing and indicate growth in all levels. Mr. Dunk also reported that March is Reading Month and will be kicked off with the Book Fair.

Jessica Owen Jr/Sr High School Principal presented the Board with benchmark graphs showing the students reading and math results over the past three years, based on STAR testing.

Alisha Vislosky, Special Education Administrator, reported that the Special Ed. Department is currently working to make sure that students are prepared to succeed beyond high school. They are also working on SAT accommodations and re-evaluating IEPs.

Trinity Tobey, Student Representative to the Board reported that Winter Homecoming was very successful. The dance was changed from casual to semi-formal this year and she thinks it was well received. BPA will be competing at the State competition next month.

Mrs. Owen read a statement from Mrs. Lester, Teacher Representative to the Board. She stated that the Jr/Sr High School staff is excited to work with Mrs. Owen, they like that they see her interacting with students in the cafeteria as well as in the hallways. She thanked the staff for their cooperation during Winter Homecoming week. She also stated that the staff and students appreciate Mr. Okie for being present and involved.

Superintendent Karaffa reported that the new Director of Student Affairs was hired for the Jr/Sr High School and will begin on March 21st. Superintendent Karaffa would like to have the Finance Committee meet next week. He informed the Board that Tiffany Brooks, Pre-School teacher received a grant and it will cover the cost for preschool tuition for the remainder of this school year. We are currently working with the city for a Police Liaison to work at the District. ESSER Town Hall Meetings were held and some great ideas were discussed. The weight room is almost finished and looks great.

6. Motion by Scott Forbes, support by Neal Bishop to move to closed session for a student discipline hearing for Student D.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried - The Board moved to closed session at 7:50 p.m.

The Board returned to open session at 8:15 p.m.

7. Motion by Nik Woods support by Neal Bishop to approve the closed session minutes.

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

8. Motion by Nik Woods, support by Neal Bishop to expel Student D permanently.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried

9. Motion by Scott Forbes, support by Neal Bishop to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

President Macumber adjourned the regular meeting at 8:18 pm.



Scott Forbes, Secretary