

MARLETTE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LIBRARY
December 11, 2017

President Huggett called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mark Huggett, Steve Quade, Janet Mutch, Jaime Macumber, Gina Kraft, Jay Burton

MEMBERS ABSENT: Nik Woods

ADMINISTRATORS: Sarah Barratt, Garnett Kohler, Jason Vislosky

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Huggett.

1. Motion by Janet Mutch, support by Jaime Macumber to approve the agenda as presented.

Ayes: Macumber, Burton, Mutch, Quade, Huggett, Kraft

Nays: None

Motion Carried

2. Motion by Jay Burton, support by Steve Quade to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

- a.) Minutes
November 13, 2017 Regular Board Meeting
November 27, 2017 Special Board Meeting
- b.) General Fund Payables \$536,834.25
- c.) Resignation/Retirement of Staff Varsity Assistant Track Coach, Steve Ellis
- d.) Employment of Staff
- e.) Financial Report November 2017
- f.) Fundraisers
Elementary Student Council, Luke Reynolds-Rubber Bracelet Sale, 12/14/17-12/21/17
Wrestling, Yolanda Hayward-TV & Fitbit Raffle, 11/28/17-12/9/17
Softball, Sarah Kady-Quilt Raffle, 1/8/18-2/23/18; Bowling, 2/24/18; Prince & Princess Tea, 3/10/18

Ayes: Macumber, Burton, Mutch, Quade, Huggett, Kraft

Nays: None

Motion Carried

3. Motion by Gina Kraft, support by Janet Mutch to approve the NEOLA 32-1 Fall 2017 Update as presented.

Ayes: Macumber, Burton, Mutch, Quade, Huggett, Kraft

Nays: None

Motion Carried

President Mark Huggett made the following statement regarding Superintendent Barratt's annual evaluation. "The annual review of the superintendent resulted in a highly effective rating with a 91%. The Board appreciates the addition of the college options for students to include Concurrent Enrollment. Although students continue to achieve in classrooms, the District's M-Step scores need improvement and Mrs. Barratt has added a curriculum coach to work to address that need. Goal setting via the strategic plan is leading the District in a positive direction.

She has a strength in the area of finance and with the superintendent's and finance director's hard work, the District is in a good financial position with a fund equity of over 15%.

The Board would like to see Mrs. Barratt increase the District's presence in the media, continue to promote the District, and continue to visit classrooms and be seen in the buildings as appropriate.

The Board has appreciated Mrs. Barratt's efforts on behalf of the students, parents, staff and community. We appreciate the relationship and look forward to continuing to work together to make Marlette a destination school district."

4. Motion by Jaime Macumber, support by Jay Burton to approve the Superintendent's Evaluation as presented.

Ayes: Macumber, Burton, Mutch, Quade, Huggett, Kraft

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Superintendent Barratt reviewed the District's Section 125 Plan and recommended changes to allow employees more flexibility.

5. Motion by Janet Mutch, support by Gina Kraft to change the plan year for the Section 125 plan to January through December and to change the AFLAC voluntary deductions to be collected post-tax which would allow employees to make changes at any time during the year. Furthermore, it is moved that Sarah Barratt be named the Administrator of the Plan, or her authorized designee.

Ayes: Macumber, Burton, Mutch, Quade, Huggett, Kraft

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Student Representative Margaret Mutch reported the NHS Blood Drive on December 20 will have a time change from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. BPA will compete in the upcoming Regional Competition. First Impression winners will be honored tomorrow and congratulations to the Marlette band students who performed in the U of M Flint Honors Band.

Teacher Representative Luke Reynolds stated there are only eight days until Winter Break. He wished the Board happy holidays.

Jr/Sr High School Principal Garnett Kohler reported that Engineering Class and Club students went on a field trip to MSU last Friday and had a very eventful and rewarding day interacting with the MSU Engineering students. He stated the Band's Christmas Concert was fabulous with standing room only. He congratulated Andrew Webster on his 100th wrestling win. He ended by telling about a young man he was talking to who said he would like to be a principal someday so he could help young kids such as himself.

Elementary Principal Jason Vislosky introduced Rachel Bennett, the Elementary Computer teacher who recently received the free program Science of the Body from the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. The program teaches students in grades K-5 (she is also including 6) about the human body and cancer. He then asked all board members to use their Smart Phones to scan a QR code and introduced them to Kahoot. The free internet-based game can be used to help students study. Teachers can enter the questions and possible answers and it is timed to see who can answer the most questions quickly and correctly. It is widely used in both schools. He reported the book fair was not as successful as it had been in previous years and they are looking at ways to increase participation, including possibly moving it to March to coincide with the VIP Reading activity. He thanked the board for the opportunity to attend the recent principal's conference where he picked up several ideas.

Superintendent Barratt presented the football bleacher and press box bids to the board so they can make an informed decision when the time is appropriate. She also reviewed the MASAP JV Ball Field proposal for future consideration.

Secretary Janet Mutch commended Mrs. Barratt on the newspaper article she had submitted to the paper. She also asked about the Sanilac ISD's request to the state for a pre-Labor Day school start date.

6. Motion by Jaime Macumber, support by Jay Burton to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m.

Ayes: Macumber, Burton, Mutch, Quade, Huggett, Kraft

Nays: None

Motion Carried



Marlette Board of Education Secretary