

MARLETTE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LIBRARY
Monday, February 13, 2017 – 7:00 p.m.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mark Huggett, Janet Mutch, Jaime Macumber, Jay Burton, Nik Woods, Gina Kraft

MEMBERS ABSENT: Steve Quade

ADMINISTRATORS: Sarah Barratt, Jason Vislosky, Anne Wood, Cheryl Bruff

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Mark Huggett.

1. Motion by Jay Burton, support by Nik Woods to approve the agenda as presented.

Ayes: 6
Nays: 0
Motion Carried

High School student Austin Ledsworth updated the board on the Eagle Scout Project he completed at the football field. He raised a total of \$6,005.13. Thirteen volunteers worked 273 hours to complete the project. Austin thanked the board for allowing him this opportunity which will count towards earning his Eagle Scout rank. The board complimented Austin on a job well done and thanked him for his efforts.

2. Motion by Janet Mutch, support by Jaime Macumber to approve the consent agenda as presented:

a.) Minutes -	January 9, 2017 – Regular Board Meeting January 30, 2017 – Board Workshop
b.) General Fund Payables -	\$489,994.99
c.) Resignation of Staff	
d.) Employment of Staff	
e.) January Financial Report	
f.) Fundraisers -	-Band, Drew Jones – Candy Bar Sales, 2/6/17-2/22/17 -Elementary Student Council, Luke Reynolds – St. Patrick’s Day Rubber Bracelet Sale, 3/6/17-3/16/17 -Quiz Bowl, Carolyn Taylor – Carnation Sale, 3/13/17-3/15/17

Ayes: 6
Nays: 0
Motion Carried

The Board discussed the Athletic Director position and how to post for it. They decided to post the position as it is currently filled and see how many applications come in.

President Mark Huggett presented the Shining Star Award to Jr/Sr High School Teacher Carmen Blatt. Supt. Barratt read the comments which led to her selection. "I came into my classroom on the first day of PD to find a post it note. It was from Carmen. She said that if I needed supplies or anything else just to ask. She has been incredibly kind. Today she stopped by to explain our Homecoming traditions before she sent out an email to all staff. I am sure she has a lot of work to do, but she made time to come to my room and check on me throughout the week." Also, "Mrs. Blatt really cares about all her students. She stays after school and comes in early to help them, she responds to emails immediately and even helps students who are no longer in her class. She encourages extra-curricular activities and supports students in all their endeavors. Mrs. Blatt is truly an asset to Marlette Community Schools."

President Mark Huggett made the following committee appointments:

Policy Development Committee – Janet Mutch (chair), Gina Kraft, Steve Quade, Jaime Macumber (alternate).

Building & Grounds Committee – Gina Kraft (chair), Jay Burton, Nik Woods, Mark Huggett (alternate).

Finance Committee – Mark Huggett (chair), Steve Quade, Jaime Macumber, Jay Burton (alternate).

Shining Star Committee – Janet Mutch, Jaime Macumber, Gina Kraft

Friend of Youth Committee – Jay Burton, Nik Woods, Jaime Macumber, Steve Quade (alternate),

3. Motion by Gina Kraft, support by Jaime Macumber to approve the Superintendent's contract, as presented.

Ayes: Huggett, Mutch, Macumber, Burton, Woods, Kraft
Nays: None
Motion Carried

Finance Director Cheryl Bruff presented the General Appropriations Budget Amendment to the Board.

4. Motion by Gina Kraft, support by Jaime Macumber to approve the General Appropriations Budget Amendment as presented.

Ayes: Huggett, Mutch, Macumber, Burton, Woods, Kraft
Nays: None
Motion Carried

Luke Reynolds, Teacher Representative to the Board, reported that school has been crazy with the end of the marking period and report cards going out.

Margaret Mutch, Student Representative to the Board, reported there had been some issues with the clocks, but the problem has been corrected. Students had a lot of fun during homecoming week with the seniors winning. There was really good competition at the powder puff game. Congratulations to the wrestlers who will be competing at the state competition, Isiah Stewart, Cody Sanchez, Anthony Jackson and Andrew Webster. Students are wondering when a girls soccer coach will be hired. The band concert was very good. Students are also enjoying the addition of the new classes for second semester. The stress of exams is over. She asked if exams could be changed from three per day over two days to two per day over three days. She also asked if students who are in Economics could be allowed to drive up town to the businesses instead of having to walk due to time constraints. She finally mentioned that students are enjoying the school meals and are happy the cereal bars are back.

Jr/Sr High School Principal Anne Wood reported that the second semester has started well. The bands held a pre-festival concert on February 8. The performance was outstanding! Mr. Jones invited band instructors from Haslett to judge the students. The guest instructors gave feedback and held a clinic for band students. The bands will perform on February 25 at USA Schools. Spring testing is coming up. Schedules will be reviewed to make sure testing requirements are being met. Sports teams continue to work hard and are doing well. Attendance at the games has been good. Planning is underway for next year's schedule. Samantha Bolton has been hired as a long-term sub for the PE position and is doing an excellent job. The community presentation on heroin had a huge turnout and Marlette Police Chief Brian McGinnis has organized a program for students in grades 9-12. Homecoming week was very successful. Staff attended a professional development on Conscious Discipline at the end of the first semester. Eighth graders visited the Career Center on January 16 to tour the programs available. Academic teams are preparing for competition at SC4 on February 18. Computer lab hours have been extended on Tuesday and Wednesday for high school students until 6:00 p.m. thanks for Gina Kraft and Janet Mutch volunteering their time. Semester Report Cards have been added to Skyward. The Haiti trip is almost funded and eight Marlette students will be attending. Upcoming dates: Project Graduation Donut/Cookie Sale (Feb 14); Academic Games at SC4 (Feb 18); President's Day-No School (Feb 20); 10th Graders visit Career Center (Feb 22); OK2SAY Assembly for Students, FAFSA Deadline for Seniors (Mar 1); OK2SAY Community Presentation (Mar 2); Art DIA Trip (Mar 4); Parent/Teacher Conferences (Mar 16); Title I Parent Advisory Committee Meeting (Mar 22); End of MP 3, Yearbook Orders Due (Mar 31).

Supt. Barratt thanked Mrs. Wood, Mrs. Helwig, Mrs. Sadler and Ms. Herron for the work they did to change the schedules for second semester. It was an outstanding effort and the changes were much needed and well-received. Board Member Janet Mutch reiterated the thanks.

Elementary Principal Jason Vislosky thanked Sheriff Garry Biniecki, who came in and read to students on January 19. He also stated that he would like to show students that police officers are friends and has contacted Chief McGinnis to coordinate an effort for local police officers to visit the schools on a regular basis. Another great VIP and Me event occurred on January 23 with the focus on math. There is a parent Conscious Discipline workshop scheduled for February 16 from 6-8 pm in the Hub. The unofficial elementary student count is 449. March is Reading Month and readers are needed for the festivities. The month will be kicked off with a Reading Spirit Week. An OK2SAY community presentation will be held in the HUB on March 2 at 6pm. It's a program designed to empower students, parents, school personnel, community mental health service programs and law enforcement to share and respond to student safety threats. Area farmers are asked once again to nominate Marlette Community Schools for the America's Farmers Grow Rural Education Grant. He also thanked the board for the support they have for students, staff and the school. Upcoming dates include: PTO Sweetheart Breakfast (Feb 14, 7-8 am); Conscious Discipline Workshop (Feb 16, 6-8 pm); President's Day-No School (Feb 20); Spring Pictures (Mar 1); OK2SAY Presentations (Mar 1-3); School Social Workers Week (Mar 6-10).

Superintendent Barratt reported that a Coach's Summit will be held in March and she is highly recommending that all Marlette coaches attend. City Manager Corey Schmidt has been working on the Safe Routes to School Grant. He hopes to submit it in May which could mean the project would start in the summer of 2018 if the grant is approved. Masonic Lodge members donated \$1000 to the District to purchase concurrent enrollment books. Nominations are currently being sought for the Friend of Youth. The District received a certificate for our GSRP program because we are dedicated to better prepare our children for school with the GSRP and Pre School programs, as well as the new Raider Care program. SISD Superintendent Duane Lange will be attending the April 10 board meeting to present the ISD budget. GSRP Coordinator/Teacher Elise Nicol has said she will tender her resignation at the end of the year. The District will post for the position in hopes that someone can be hired to work with Ms. Nicol prior to her leaving.

Board Member Gina Kraft reported that the Hurley Teen Heart Check held in Sandusky on February 11 had a very good turnout. The program was totally free of charge. 239 teens were screened. Marlette Regional Hospital will be taking appointments during the month of April for the same tests, again free of charge.

President Mark Huggett changed the April Board of Education meeting from April 10 to April 17, 7:00 p.m. at the Marlette Elementary School Library.

President Huggett also recognized Mrs. Carolyn Taylor for the outstanding job she has done with the elementary students Quiz Bowl activities.

Board Member Janet Mutch commented on the cyber bullying program and the new emoji to help students fight against cyber bullying.

5. Motion by Nik Woods, support by Jay Burton to adjourn the meeting at 8:31.

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Motion Carried.

President Huggett adjourned the regular meeting at 8:31 p.m.

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