

MARLETTE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LIBRARY
Monday, February 8, 2016 – 7:00 PM

President Mike Hall called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jay Burton, Mike Hall, Mark Huggett, Gina Kraft, Janet Mutch

ADMINISTRATORS: Sarah Barratt, Kyle Wood, Jason Vislosky

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President, Mike Hall.

1. Motion by Mark Huggett, support by Janet Mutch to approve the agenda.

Ayes: 5
Nays: 0
Motion Carried

2. Motion by Mark Huggett, support by Janet Mutch to approve the consent agenda as presented.

- a.) Minutes - January 25, 2016 - Special Board Meeting
- b.) General Fund Payables – \$ 447,243.40
- c.) Resignation of Staff - Mike Hill, Varsity Softball Coach
Mike Nickens, JV Baseball Coach
- d.) Employment of Staff - Varsity Girls Soccer Coach – Tiffany Roberts
JV Volleyball Coach – Lexi Cooper
- e.) Fundraisers - Talent Show - NHS & Class of 2017, Kristen Behnke, Shauna Lester, and Jane Wildey, March 24, 2016.
St. Patrick's Candy-Grams, Easter Candy-Grams, Car Wash (Spring 2016) – 9th Grade Class
- f.) January Expense Report

Ayes: 5
Nays: 0
Motion Carried

3. Motion by Mark Huggett, support by Jay Burton to approve the following spring coaches: Cathy Storm, Varsity Girls Track; Chris Storm, Varsity Boys Track; Rachel Bennett, Varsity Track Assistant; Luke Reynolds, JH Boys Track; Jamie Zuhlke, JH Girls Track.

Ayes: 5
Nays: 0

Motion Carried

4. Motion by Jay Burton, support by Janet Mutch to award a five-year copier lease to low bidder, Ricoh.

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Superintendent Barratt asked the Board for clarification on Seniors with outstanding food service balances and if they would be allowed to walk at Graduation. She also suggested that all current unpaid debt greater than \$20 be turned over to a collection agency.

A parent requested a waiver for her graduating Senior to walk because of extenuating circumstances.

5. Motion by Jay Burton, support by Mark Huggett that said student be allowed to walk at graduation.

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

6. Motion by Jay Burton, support by Mark Huggett to send a registered letter to all parents/guardians with significant food service debt and if no attempt is made to pay the debt off, to forward that debt to a collection agency.

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

7. Motion by Jay Burton to allow Seniors to walk at graduation if all current year debt is paid.

Motion died without support.

The Board of Education will revisit the issue of Seniors walking at graduation at the March Board Meeting.

High School teacher, Steve Shifflett reviewed a Haiti Service Trip students from NHS and the Out of Doors Club would like to take in the summer of 2017. They would install water filters for drinking water. The trip would last about a week and would cost approximately \$2,000 per student. He also stated that if they receive approval, an organization in North Branch would fund 10% of the cost.

8. Motion by Jay Burton, support by Mark Huggett to approve the Haiti Service Trip if the District would have no liability.

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Teacher Representative to the Board, Julie Wilson, reported that Homecoming was a success and there was a really good turnout at the game.

Student Representative to the Board, Ryan Rich, also reported that Homecoming was successful. He added that the NHS and Out of Doors Club is planning a ski trip. Finally, the first semester is complete and the students are well into their second semester.

Elementary School Principal, Jason Vislosky, stated report cards went home two weeks ago. The Professional Development Day provided Google Apps for Education training, DHHS training for warning signs of abuse and neglect and a building walk-through of area first-responders. The Chromebooks are being used daily for 4-6th grade instruction and Mr. Denny Lester is now administering math assessments with the Chromebooks. The Behavior Leadership Team met to review discipline data. Mrs. Jill Bell has done a great job helping students create effective plans. Mrs. Pat Kitchen and Mrs. Karen Nicol are holding tier meetings for reading intervention. He is hopeful to include one hour of schoolwide tier time in the 2016-17 school year. Upcoming Dates: February 9-VIP & Me, Family Science Night; February 12-Sweetheart Breakfast; February 15-No School; March 1-Spring Pictures, Kindergarten Informational Night; March 9-Kindergarten Testing.

Kyle Wood, Jr/Sr High School Principal, informed the Board that all Juniors took the prep SAT in the fall. The District average was above the state average. Not all schools require the test, many just test volunteers. The science labs are coming along nicely with Mrs. Deering moving into her new room. Eighth-graders will take the PSAT test on February 24. The County Academic Games will be held on February 20 at SC4. The Band Festival will be held in North Branch on March 5.

Superintendent Barratt announced that the District is seeking Friend of Youth Nominations. The nominations are due March 15, the day after the March board meeting, so an ad hoc committee was formed to choose the representative. President Hall asked Jay Burton, Gina Kraft and Janet Mutch to sit

on the committee. Ads will be placed in area newspapers, on the District's web site and Facebook page. Nominations are due March 1.

Mrs. Barratt also told the Board she is sitting on the Membership Committee for the Chamber of Commerce and they are working towards making it become more of a value-added organization. A "meet and greet" will be held with the new city manager in April. She is also blocking off two days, one for each school, where staff can stop and talk to her about the District's challenges, ideas, etc. Finally, she asked the Board to think about the Strategic Plan. The current plan expires and a new one needs to be created. She is looking for ideas for the District's future.

9. Motion by Mark Huggett, support by Jay Burton to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 p.m.

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

President Hall adjourned the meeting at 8:34 p.m.

Regina Kraft, Board Secretary