

MARLETTE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LIBRARY
Monday, October 10, 2016 – 7:00 PM

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jay Burton, Mike Hall, Mark Huggett, Gina Kraft, Janet Mutch, Steve Quade, Nik Woods

ADMINISTRATORS: Sarah Barratt, Jason Vislosky, Cheryl Bruff

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

1. Motion by Mark Huggett, support by Gina Kraft to approve the agenda with the additions to the Consent Agenda: c.) Resignation of Staff – Quiz Bowl Coach, Bruce Irland and d.) Employment of Staff - Custodian, Jeannie Coenen; and the addition to New Business of: Student Reinstatement Hearing – Executive Session and Sanilac County ISD Board Nomination.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

2. Motion by Janet Mutch, support by Mark Huggett to approve the Consent Agenda with the addition of c.) Resignation of Staff - Quiz Bowl Coach, Bruce Irland and d.) Employment of Staff – Custodian, Jeannie Coenen.

- a.) Minutes - September 12, 2016-Regular Board Meeting
September 27, 2016-Special Board Meeting
- b.) General Fund Payables – \$ 488,302.86
- c.) Resignation of Staff - Asst. Wrestling Coach, Devin Hayward
Quiz Bowl Coach, Bruce Irland
- d.) Employment of Staff – 8th Grade Girls Basketball Coach, Fred Mroczek
Custodian, Jeannie Coenen
- e.) Fundraisers – -8th Grade DC Trip, Beverly George -
Candle Sales, 10/24/16-11/11/16,
Schwan's Sales 11/28/16-2/26/16,
Cookie Dough Sales 3/6/16- 3/27/16
-8th Grade Westward Movement Day,

Jane Wildey - Halloween Fun Night

10/26/16

-Band, Katelyn Aikens – World's Finest

Chocolate Sales – Purchase Snare Drums

-Class of 2019, Melanie Robison & Jill Bell –
Sadie Hawkins Dance, October or November,
2016, date TBD

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

3. Motion by Jay Burton, support by Steve Quade to move to Executive Session for a Student Reinstatement Hearing at 7:12 p.m.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

The Board moved to Executive Session at 7:12 p.m.

4. Motion by Mark Huggett, support by Janet Mutch to reconvene the regular meeting at 7:19 p.m.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Superintendent Barratt informed the Board that Sanilac County ISD Board Member, Les King is resigning his position as of January 1, 2017 and therefore we need to nominate someone from Marlette to serve on the Sanilac ISD Board. Supt. Barratt recommended Mr. Mike Kiley.

5. Motion by Jay Burton, support by Steve Quade to appoint Mike Kiley to the Sanilac County ISD Board effective January 1, 2017.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Superintendent Barratt announced that the recipient of the Shining Star Award this month is Mrs. Pat Kitchen. She explained that Mrs. Kitchen was not able to attend the meeting but will be at the November Board Meeting to accept her award.

The Engineering Club presented the board with a power point report and explained what the Engineering Club is and the accomplishments they had last year. There are currently 25 students in the Engineering Club. They participated in the TARC, Team America Rocketry Club, competition last year as well as the MATE, Marine Advanced Technology Education, competition. They plan to enter these competitions again this year.

Superintendent Barratt brought up the idea of offering meals to officers on duty. She explained that other schools are doing this and that it gives the students a chance to meet our officers. She indicated that any officer on duty; Local, County or State would be able to stop in and eat breakfast or lunch with our students, free of charge.

6. Motion by Jay Burton, support by Mark Huggett to approve the Meals for Officers on Duty program.

Ayes: Burton, Woods, Hall, Quade, Mutch, Kraft, Huggett

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Superintendent Barratt asked the Board to discuss after hours computer access at the Jr/Sr High School. She stated that it has been brought to her attention that students do not have access to technology once tutoring is finished after school. Use of the library was discussed and the Board asked Supt. Barratt to look into whether or not there is a way to identify who is in the library. Supt. Barratt agreed to look into and report back at the next board meeting.

Superintendent Barratt asked the Board to consider an early retirement/separation or incentive agreement for those teachers thinking about leaving the school district. The Board discussed the option and decided to think it over and discuss it again at the next Board meeting.

7. Motion by Mark Huggett, support by Janet Mutch to move to executive session for negotiation strategy.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

The Board moved to Executive Session at 7:49 p.m.

8. Motion by Mark Huggett, support by Janet Mutch to reconvene the regular board meeting at 8:47 p.m.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0
Motion Carried

Teacher Representative to the Board, Julie Wilson, reported Homecoming week was a success. The students brought in over 11,000 toiletry items for Veterans. She was also impressed with our students' actions at the assembly when the Veterans were introduced. She noted that the band sounds fabulous. Mrs. Wilson then raised concerns about not having enough Kleenex in the high school, as well as who to go to in the absence of the High School Secretary. She asked that if Board members are approached about a problem in the classroom that they have the parent follow the chain of command and talk to the teacher first. Mrs. Wilson also expressed concern as to whether or not our custodians are being paid enough; she stated that custodians at Marlette Regional Hospital start at \$11.00 per hour.

Student Representative to the Board, Maggie Mutch was not able to attend the meeting but asked Mrs. Barratt to present her report. Maggie asked about the flying the flags at night without lights. Mrs. Barratt indicated that a light has been installed at the Jr/Sr High School and we are in the process of adding a light at the Elementary School, she explained that in the meantime, the flag will be raised and lowered each day. Maggie is also asking the Board to look into use of technology in the Jr/Sr High School after school hours. She reported that the Varsity Boys Soccer Team has won the league championship, and that the decision to allow students into athletic events free of charge with their student ID is greatly appreciated and has made a difference in attendance.

Mr. Jason Vislosky, Elementary School Principal, reported that the Red Raider Care and after school clubs have started and are a huge hit! He asked that anyone in our Community who has a talent they are willing share for an hour after school once or twice a week with our students, contact him. Mr. Vislosky reported that the fall count was 448 students. Benchmark testing began this week, results will be available at the parent/teacher conferences on October 18th and 20th. He also reported that the Backpack Program will begin again this week, we will be providing weekend meals/snacks for 48 students. He reported that VIP and Me Science Night will be held on October 17th from 3:15-4:15 p.m. and the Halloween Parade will take place on October 28th at 2:00 p.m.

Superintendent Sarah Barratt reported that Mrs. Sarah Opperman is starting a High School Art Club, they have written their by-laws. They would like to host an Art Evening to help start a scholarship fund. She also reminded the Board that the next Evaluation Training will take place on Wednesday, October 19th, from 6:00-9:00 pm in the Elementary School Library.

Secretary Kraft thanked Superintendent Barratt for the work she is doing in our District and for being visible in the Community.

10. Motion by Jay Burton, support by Janet Mutch to adjourn the meeting at 9:01 p.m.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

President Hall adjourned the regular meeting at 9:01 p.m.

