

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

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

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

ADMINISTRATORS: Sarah Barratt, Jason Vislosky, Anne Wood, Karen Demaray

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Mark Huggett.

1. Motion by Nik Woods, support by Steve Quade to approve the agenda with additions to the Consent Agenda c.) Resignation of Staff – JV Volleyball Coach, Alexia Cooper and d.) Employment of Staff - V Assistant Track Coach, Steve Ellis and to New Business G. Athletic Director Recommendation.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

2. Motion by Janet Mutch, support by Nik Woods to approve the consent agenda with the additions of: c.) Resignation of Staff – JV Volleyball Coach, Alexia Cooper and d.) Employment of Staff - V Assistant Track Coach, Steve Ellis

a.) Minutes -

February 13, 2017 – Regular Board Meeting

February 25, 2017 – Board Workshop

February 27, 2017 – Board Workshop

b.) General Fund Payables -

\$298,173.37

c.) Resignation of Staff

Alexia Cooper, JV Volleyball Coach

d.) Employment of Staff

V Girls Soccer Coach, Chris Titus

JV Softball Coach, Samantha Bolton

V Assistant Track Coach, Steve Ellis

e.) February Financial Report

f.) Fundraisers -

Elementary Student Council, Luke Reynolds –

Popcornopolis Sale: 4/17/17-4/28/17

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

President Mark Huggett presented the Shining Star Award to Miss Elise Nicol. Miss Nicol is the GSRP Pre-School Teacher. She has displayed a true interest in the children and has gone above and beyond to make sure kids do come first. Miss Nicol has a very loving and creative mind when working with children. She has expanded the playground to make it a bigger, better and safer place for the children to not only play, but to learn as well. Her group efforts in transforming the media center has made the environment more attractive and user-friendly. This area is used by the whole school. It was a job well done for all grades to easily utilize. The Red Raider Care program is also under her guidance. I am anticipating excellent results from that as well. Miss Nicol is a very energetic and enthusiastic person that is always coming up with new ideas to keep kids involved.

Miss Nicol is an asset to our District. She is friendly, professional and driven to improve Marlette Schools. She works tirelessly with others to create programs for students. My child attended the 3 year old program during the 2015-16 school year and loved every second. She was so excited to attend this year and enjoy the new playground that Miss Nicol set up. In every interaction I've had with Miss Nicol, I've seen her enthusiasm and love of children shine through. She is truly a shining star!

Superintendent Barratt informed the Board that the committee met to choose this year's Friend of the Youth nomination. The committee's recommendation for this year's Friend of the Youth is Mrs. Nancy Schaub.

3. Motion by Nik Woods, support by Jaime Macumber to name Mrs. Nancy Schaub as the 2017 Thumb Meet of Champions "Friend of the Youth".

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0
Motion Carried

4. Motion by Gina Kraft, support by Steve Quade to adopt the 5D Evaluation Tool for teacher evaluations, the School Advance Tool for principal evaluation and the MASB Evaluation Tool for the Superintendent's evaluation.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0
Motion Carried

Superintendent Barratt presented the Board with a quote from Holland Bus Company for a new Blue Bird bus. She explained that it would be in the best interest of the District to purchase a new bus annually to keep our fleet up to date.

5. Motion by Nik Woods, support by Jay Burton to purchase the 2017 Blue Bird, 71 passenger bus for \$80,764.00 from Holland Bus Company as presented in the quote.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0
Motion Carried

Superintendent Barratt presented the Board with an alternative to our current Honors/High Honors recognition system for high school seniors. She explained that she met with Joan Helwig and Anne Wood. Mrs. Wood collected input from the high school staff as well. She went on to say that they would like to see our recognition system align with the college going culture and transition to Summa Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude and Cum Laude. Supt. Barratt explained that we would also recognize "Senior Scholars". Criteria for earning this recognition would be based on a calculation formula of the student's grade point average and his/her SAT or ACT score. Students who earn the Senior Scholar recognition will have the opportunity to address their class at commencement. Supt. Barratt asked the Board to think about this and make a decision at the next board meeting.

Mr. Duane Lange, Sanilac County ISD Superintendent presented the Board with the ISD's proposed 2017-2018 budget. He explained the General Fund Budget as well as the Career & Technical Education, and Special Education budgets. He asked that the Board look over the information and pass a resolution to approve the budget at the next board meeting.

Superintendent Barratt informed the Board that along with Mrs. Wood and Mr. Dennis Lester, she had interviewed four candidates for the Athletic Director position. She is recommending Mr. William Sours for the position.

6. Motion by Nik Woods, support by Jay Burton to approve Mr. William Sours as the Athletic Director.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0
Motion Carried

Mrs. Julie Wilson, Teacher Representative to the Board, reported that the Academic Teams had brought the traveling trophy back to Marlette this year and that they will be competing at the Tuscola County Academic Games competition at SVSU on March 14. She also informed the Board that BPA would be traveling to the state competition in Grand Rapids at the end of the week. Mrs. Kristen Behnke announced that the teachers and students traveling to Haiti have raised over \$27,000 and have approximately \$5000 to go. They are planning a spaghetti dinner with a dessert auction and several students are doing their own fundraising as well.

Margaret Mutch, Student Representative to the Board, reported that the students have expressed their disappointment that the Friday trips for Economics have been cancelled. She congratulated the boys and girls basketball teams on their great seasons and the wrestlers that made it to the State finals. She also reported that Academic Games did well with the English Team placing 3rd, Math 2nd and the Science and Social Studies teams both taking home 1st place honors.

Jr/Sr High School Principal Anne Wood reported that Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held this Thursday, and Friday is a half day for students and teachers. She also informed the Board that the "Steered Straight" assembly will be held on March 27 for 9-12 grade students.

Elementary Principal Jason Vislosky thanked the Marlette police officers who have come in to read to our students and State Representative Shane Hernandez who read to the first and second grade students. He reported that the last Conscious Discipline workshop is scheduled for April 13 from 6:00-8:00. The OK2SAY presentations were great, the presenter did a great job engaging the students and communicating the importance of staying safe in cyberspace and beyond. The Battle of the Books teams competed last Tuesday and did very well. Kindergarten Information night is Tuesday, March 14 at 6:00 p.m. Spring Break is April 3 -7.

7. Motion by Nik Woods, support by Steve Quade to move to closed session for a student discipline hearing.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0
Motion Carried

The Board moved to closed session at 8:15 p.m.

Motion by Janet Mutch, support by Jay Burton to return to open session at 8:39 p.m.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0
Motion Carried

8. Motion by Nik Woods support by Jaime Macumber to expel the student for 180 days with the possibility of reinstatement with board approval at that time.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0
Motion Carried

9. Motion by Janet Mutch, support by Steve Quade to move to closed session for a student discipline hearing.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0
Motion Carried

The Board moved to closed session at 8:40 p.m.

Motion by Nik Woods, support by Jay Burton to return to open session at 9:08 p.m.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0
Motion Carried

10. Motion by Nik Woods, support by Steve Quade to expel the student for 180 days with the possibility of reinstatement with board approval at that time.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0
Motion Carried

11. Motion by Nik Woods, support by Jaime Macumber to move to closed session for a student discipline hearing.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0
Motion Carried

The Board moved to closed session at 9:10 p.m.

Motion by Nik Woods, support by Jay Burton to return to open session at 9:27 p.m.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0
Motion Carried

12. Motion by Nik Woods, support by Jay Burton to expel the student for 180 days with the possibility of reinstatement with board approval at that time.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0
Motion Carried

13. Motion by Jay Burton, support by Nik Woods to adjourn the meeting at 9:29 p.m.

Ayes: 6
Nays: 0
Motion Carried

President Huggett adjourned the regular meeting at 9:29 p.m.