

**MARION COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**  
MARION, INDIANA  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES  
April 25, 2017

The Board of School Trustees of Marion Community Schools met for a regular meeting on Tuesday, April 25, 2017, in room 2-29 of Marion High School, 750 W. 26<sup>th</sup> St., Marion, Indiana, at 7:05 pm.

Board members present:

Mrs. Cathy Moritz	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President
Mr. Scott Murphy	Secretary
Mrs. Katie Morgan	Member
Mr. Chuck Griffin	Member

Board members absent:

Mr. Aaron Vermilion	President
Mr. Greg Kitts	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President
Mr. Todd Nicholson	Member

Also present:

Mr. Brad Lindsay	Superintendent
Dr. Bob Schultz	Assistant Superintendent/Business Affairs
Mrs. Brenda McVicker	Director of Elementary Education
Mrs. Shelley Preston	Human Resource Director
Mrs. Michele Smith	Instructional Coordinator
Mrs. Lisa Graham	Director of Special Services
Mr. Keith Burke	MHS Principal
Mrs. Patricia Gibson	Director of Communications

Media/Distinguished Guests:

Mr. Scott Simpson	President, Marion Teachers Association
Ms. Andrea Yeater	Chronicle Tribune

Spectators/Patrons      10

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mrs. Moritz, 1st Vice President, called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was given. There was a moment of silence.

**RECOGNITION**

**MHS HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL CAST**

Mrs. Marsha Vermilion, MHS Drama Coach, introduced four cast members from the production of "High School Musical". Chloe Vermilion, Taleia Wells, Kaleb Evans and Ianne Sierra presented enticing snippets from the musical for the Board.

**II. CONSENT AGENDA**

Mr. Lindsay requested approval of the Board for the Consent Agenda Items as follows:

- 17-057 MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD APRIL 11, 2017
- 17-058 MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD APRIL 11, 2017
- 17-059 PERSONNEL REPORTS
- 17-060 MARION COMMUNITY SCHOOLS EXPENDITURE APPROVAL LIST
- 17-061 APPROVAL TO ACCEPT DONATIONS

Any Board member may request to breakout any consent agenda item and conduct a separate vote.

**17-057 MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD APRIL 11, 2017**

The Superintendent recommended approval of the minutes of the Executive Session held Tuesday, April 11, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

**17-58 MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD APRIL 11, 2017**

The Superintendent recommended approval of the minutes of the regular meeting held Tuesday, April 11, 2017 at 7:02 p.m.

**17-059 PERSONNEL REPORTS**

The Personnel Reports consisted of:

**MARION COMMUNITY SCHOOLS  
PERSONNEL REPORTS**

4/25/17

**BARGAINING UNIT REPORT**

**Addenda Position Resignation**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Building and Assignment</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Katrina Blackmon	MHS, Assistant Varsity Volleyball Coach	4/11/17
Taryn Masiongale	Justice Marshall, 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Coach	4/5/17

**Addenda Position Recommendation**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Building and Assignment</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Amanda Burchell	McCulloch, 8 <sup>th</sup> grade Girls Track Coach	3/31/17
Dawnelle Larson	McCulloch, 7 <sup>th</sup> grade Girls Track Coach	3/31/17
John Lawson	McCulloch, Baseball Club Sponsor	4/17/17

**Unpaid Leave of Absence**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Building and Assignment</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Carey Byrd	McCulloch, Teacher	4/6/17

**New Employee**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Building and Assignment</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Jason Babb	MHS, Math	8/9/17- pending successful completion of the hiring process

**Resignation**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Building and Assignment</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Hannah Weist	MHS, Credit Recovery	5/24/17 or the last day for professional staff for the 2016-17 school year

**CLASSIFIED REPORT**

**Family Medical Leave**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Building and Assignment</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Brian Horton	Kendall, Custodian	4/14/17-4/23/17

**Unpaid Leave of Absence**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Building and Assignment</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Kelly Colbert	MHS, Kitchen Assistant	4/6/17, 4/7/17, 4/10/17, 4/11/17, 4/13/17
Mary Davis	Justice Marshall, Kitchen Assistant	3/28/17 through 4/3/17
Tonya Guy	Allen, Kitchen Assistant	4/12/17
Courtney Pherson	Justice Marshall, Instructional Educational Assistant	3/2/17 through 4/28/17
Mary Robbins	Frances Slocum, Kitchen Assistant	4/11/17

**Resignation**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Building and Assignment</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Maureen Foustnight	MHS, Secretary - Enrollment	4/18/17
Chelsae Ivins	Kendall, Instructional Educational Assistant	4/14/17
Cathy Wiley	Justice Marshall, Kitchen Assistant	4/7/17

**Change in Assignment**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Building and Assignment</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Judy Ricks	From Food Service Sub to Kendall, Kitchen Assistant	4/26/17
Melissa Rogers	From Food Service Substitute to McCulloch, Kitchen Assistant	4/26/17
Julia Stevens	From Food Service Sub to McCulloch, Kitchen Assistant	4/26/17

**Termination**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Building and Assignment</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Jean Daley	Kendall, Kitchen Assistant	4/10/17

**Retirement**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Building and Assignment</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Bette Jarvis	Transportation, Receptionist	7/31/17

The Superintendent recommended approval of the Personnel Reports, as presented.

### **17-060 MARION COMMUNITY SCHOOLS EXPENDITURE APPROVAL LIST**

The Expenditure Approval Lists for 4/01/17 through 4/25/17 was presented. The report included accounts payable claims #13,111 through #13263 for a total of 154 accounts payable claims. The total dollar amount of claims was \$1,109,925.92; of that amount \$500,553.44 was expended from the General Fund. The Superintendent recommended approval of the expenditure approval list. **(Exhibit "A")**

Mr. Murphy entered a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items 17-057 through 17-061. After a second by Mr. Griffin. All other votes were aye.

Mr. Burke, MHS Principal, introduced Mr. Jason Babb, a Math teacher, who will be joining the Marion High School faculty for the 2017-2018 school year. Mr. Babb comes to MCS from Muncie Central High School and looks forward to working with MHS students.

### **III. ACTION**

#### **17-062 MATH TEXTBOOK ADOPTION**

Mrs. McVicker reminded the Board that Envision Math for Grades K-4 and Saxon Math for grade 5-6 were presented at the last Board meeting as the curriculum selected by teacher and recommended by the administration. Mr. Lindsay commented that he supported the recommendation.

Mr. Murphy entered a motion to approve the Math textbook adoption, as presented. After a second by Mrs. Morgan. All other votes were aye.

#### **17-063 AUTHORIZATION FOR ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR TECHNOLOGY EXPENSES**

Dr. Schultz asked for the authority to advertise a public hearing in two papers to approve the additional appropriation from the general fund. The public hearing will take place at the May 23, 2017 Board Meeting.

Mrs. Morgan entered a motion to approve the Authorization for Additional Appropriation from the General Fund for Technology Expenses, as presented. After a second by Mr. Murphy. All other votes were aye.

#### **17-064 APPROVAL TO PURSUE ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION FUNDING FOR MCCULLOCH JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL**

Mr. Mike Ripperger asked that the Board for permission to pursue funding for alternative education at McCulloch Junior High School. Mr. Ripperger explained that the program had been offered at the Tucker building and the approximate funding at that time was \$100 for each student enrolled. They had two sections with 20 full-time students. Mr. Lindsay recommended approval of the pursuit of the funding.

Mr. Murphy entered a motion to approve the Approval to Pursue Alternative Education Funding for McCulloch Junior High School, as presented. After a second by Mr. Griffin. All other votes were aye.

### **IV. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION**

#### **17-065 STUDENT HANDBOOKS FOR 2017-18**

Mrs. Patricia Gibson stated that the Board has memos regarding specific changes to the handbooks. District level changes and changes to the different grade levels were detailed. No changes were necessary due to any Indiana Code revisions.

#### **17-066 DISTRICT TARGET #2: PRODUCING LEARNING RESULTS UPDATE**

- **TECHNOLOGY UPDATE**

Mrs. Michele Smith reported that new MAC books have been distributed. Training has been provided and will be ongoing continuing into the fall. Mrs. Smith read excerpts from the Justice Marshall Newspaper written by students interviewing Mr. Wingert and Mr. Boggs.

- **MHS AND MCCULLOCH ACADEMIC TEAM SUCCESS**

Mrs. Patricia Gibson reported that the McCulloch Academic Team won the Regional Meet and will compete in the State Meet on April 29. The MHS Academic Team had a perfect score in Math and will compete in the State meet on May 5. Mr. Lindsay commented that Micah Hoeksema, MHS student and Academic Team member was named to the Indiana Academic All-Star Team.

#### **V. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

#### **VI. MARION TEACHER ASSOCIATION COMMENTS**

Mr. Scott Simpson reported that the opportunity for public comments on an online chat with the IDOE regarding the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA scheduled for Monday, April 24, 2017 has been postponed. Mr. Simpson notify when the online chat is rescheduled. He reported MCS has been awarded the Aviation Grant from Purdue University and will be a part of the pilot. Mr. Simpson will attend training this summer. The curriculum will be provided to MCS at no charge. He reported there had been a few glitches in with ISTEP testing, but had they had been resolved and that there are 20 school days left in the 2016-17 school year.

#### **VII. SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS**

Mr. Lindsay congratulated Mr. Simpson and Mr. Ripperger on the receipt of the Aviation Grant. Mr. Simpson and Mr. Ripperger worked hard to make that happen. This is a very competitive program and it is a huge accomplishment for the district and the region.

#### **VIII. BOARD COMMENTS**

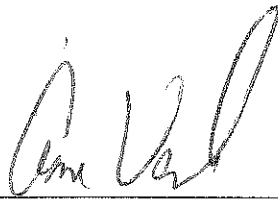
Mrs. Morgan reported that three Community School of the Arts students have exciting opportunities this summer. Cassie Reeves, MHS student, has been accepted into the NYU Tisch School of the Arts Meisner Intensive, offered by the Department of Drama. Sydney Revennaugh, CSA Arts Academy student, was accepted into Julliard's Summer Dance Intensive program. Sydney is one of 22 females in the country selected for the program. Jazmin Lakin, 7<sup>th</sup> grade CSA Arts Academy student, was accepted into two summer programs. She will attend the Joffery Ballet of Chicago Summer Intensive in Denver on a full scholarship. Jazmin was also accepted into the School of American Ballet's California Workshop for Young Dancers. Mrs. Morgan stated that she will have additional information soon about other CSA students who have exciting college opportunities.

Mrs. Mortiz reminded Board members that the 3.5 Banquet is Friday, April 28 and they need to let Mrs. Diana Gardner know if they are able to attend.

#### **IX. ADJOURNMENT**


The next scheduled meeting of the Board of School Trustees will be a regular meeting to be held on Tuesday, May 9, 2017 at 7:34 p.m. in Room 2-29 of Marion High School. There being no further comments, 1st Vice President Moritz adjourned the meeting

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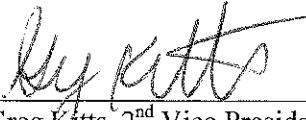
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Aaron Vermilion, President



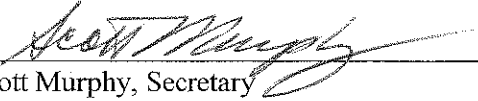
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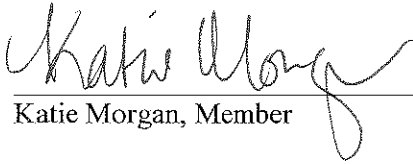


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