

A regular meeting of the Marathon City School Board was held on Wednesday, October 9, 2019, in the MAES/MVA Library. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by President Brian Gumtz. He led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present were board members DeBroux, Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, and Gumtz, and administrative staff Rick Parks, David Beranek, and Sarah Budny.

Written notice of the meeting was posted and sent to the news media on Friday, October 4, 2019.

Motion by Seubert, 2nd by DeBroux to approve the agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

Knoeck read the Marathon School District Vision Statement.

MHS Student Council representatives gave an update on the Homecoming events being held during the week. The week of activities will conclude with the dance being held Saturday evening.

Motion by Knoeck, 2ND by DeBroux to approve the following Consent Agenda items:

- September 11, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes
- September 11, 2019 Special Meeting and Closed Session Minutes
- Approval of bills
- September receipts
- Condition of the budget
- Activity fund balances
- Construction bills
- MCCDEB Special Education Meeting Highlights
- Approval of Winter Coaches for 2019-20
- Approval of Jennifer Aune as Forensics Advisor
- Approval of Spanish Club Immersion Camp trip request

Yes – DeBroux, Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, and Gumtz. Motion carried 5-0.

Keith Marks addressed the board regarding a request of more access for wellness center members or as a separate access to use the new gym at the high school. The board held a discussion and will revisit the current policy at a future meeting.

Mr. Parks submitted a review of the 3rd Friday Enrollment Data with a graph of the last 12 years of district data. The district reported a headcount of 734 students and a membership count of 665.

Third grade teachers presented information on standards base grading that is currently being implemented at the MAES/MVA levels. Teachers have been working with students and informing students and parents of the new format.

Mrs. Passineau, High School Spanish Teacher, presented activities she is currently work on in her Spanish classes and how they are following the curriculum standards. The students are taking part in cultural experiences, games, and songs to learn the language and culture.

Mr. Parks shared the Open Enrollment Counts for the 2019-20 school year. This year the district has a net gain of 71 students. Students going out remains stable while students coming in have initially increased beginning in the 2013-14 school year and has now plateaued over the last four years due to setting open enrollment limits by grade.

Mr. Parks shared an updated substitute teacher compensation survey with the board. After comparing the figures, it was decided to not change the substitute pay schedule at this time.

A construction update was given. Forms for the sidewalk and curb are scheduled to be completed this week, with inside work being done on wet weather days. Currently the project is behind by approximately one week, but workers are working long days and/or weekends to help get the project completed on time.

Mr. Parks shared information he received on paperless board meetings based on a suggestion from a prior school board meeting. The review was for using the Board Docs platform. The board has requested to see the program before a decision is made.

Ted Knoeck gave an update on MAC fundraising activities and future plans. Most recently a MAC golf outing was held in September and was a huge success. The same weekend Hall of Fame recipients were honored. Mr. Knoeck shared projects the MAC has contributed to and the plans to work with the district by looking at long term items they can help with.

Mrs. Budny updated the board on the MVA Charter School. Bev Holte will continue on the board as their treasurer. The Fun Run was a success with \$1,600 raised, and a portion will be given to the Legion. More fundraising activities, including concessions, are being planned to help with the Washington DC trip. The board is also reviewing the student survey and prioritizing the results.

A special meeting was set for October 28, 2019 at 2:30 pm to approve and adopt the 2019-20 budget and set the tax levy.

A discussion was revisited regarding a substitute calling system. Mr. Parks has found that other districts in our area are using a different system and is looking into that system as well. It was decided to leave the sub calling procedure as is unless another system was found to be cost effective for the district.

Mr. Parks shared information on student applications for the second semester Early College Credit Program. Motion by Klumpyan, 2nd by Seubert to approve the Early College Credit Program student applications for 2nd semester. Yes – DeBroux, Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, and Gumtz. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Parks distributed the School Perceptions 2019 Annual Board Development Tool Survey. Board members were asked to complete the on-line survey by January 1st.

Motion by DeBroux, 2nd by Klumpyan to approve the student aftercare worker. Yes – DeBroux, Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, and Gumtz. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Parks made the board aware of some recent issues with Food Service receiving their supply of food. Some of the commodities are not available and computer orders have not been processed timely for distribution. Other vendors are available and may be used to fill orders if needed, but it will most likely cost the district more money as it is not part of the consortium pricing.

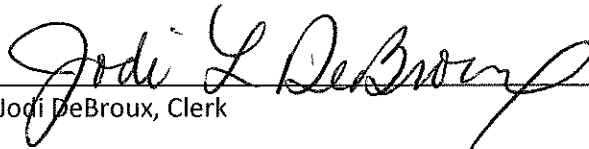
Marathon County Special Education requested an opportunity to team up with Marquette University for a Doctorate in Occupational Therapy Program. This will help with the shortage of Occupational Therapists and hopefully bring more people in these positions in the area in future years. Motion by DeBroux, 2nd by Klumpyan to approve the collaboration with the University of Marquette for Doctorate in Occupational Therapy Program. Motion carried 5-0.

Mrs. Budny shared the current MAES/MVA Raider Reporter with the board. Homecoming and Kindness in Chalk Week is being celebrated this week. The staff has been busy with standards-based grading.

Mr. Beranek shared the high school newsletter, Homecoming Week, and the recently released positive ACT results for the district.

Mr. Parks acknowledged a donation to the Fill a Back Pack Fill a Belly from the United Way and L & S Electric. Rib Riders sent a thank you letter to again use the trail running through the school forest. He confirmed registration for the WASB Regional Meeting. Quotes were received for updating our occupational health services employment physicals. Aspirus had the lowest bid and will be conducting this service for the district. Board members will be the first scheduled for reading books for the "Marathon Reads" Trifecta grant and information will soon be sent to schedule times.

Motion by Seubert, 2nd by Knoeck to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:16 pm.



Jodi DeBroux, Clerk