

A regular meeting of the Marathon City School Board was held on Wednesday, January 13, 2021, in the High School Cafeteria. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by President Brian Gumtz. He led the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was moved to the high school music room to allow for Zoom meeting connection by remote participants.

Present were board members DeBroux, Klumpyan, Seubert, and Gumtz, and administrative staff Rick Parks (via Zoom), David Beranek and Ryan McCain. Knoeck arrived at 5:44 PM.

Written notice of the meeting was posted and sent to the news media on Friday, January 8, 2020.

Motion by Seubert, 2nd by DeBroux to approve the agenda. Motion carried 4-0.

Seubert read the Marathon School District Mission Statement.

Mr. McCain updated the board on Student Council activities. Currently they have 26 members and meetings are held virtually. A Holiday Spirit Week was held, work is continuing on the Great Kindness Project, and an upcoming door decorating contest is being planned. The Safe School Ambassadors students have been meeting bi-weekly and Forensics is underway.

Mr. Beranek reported on Student Council activities. Planning is underway for Winter Carnival activities and discussions regarding Prom and Graduation have begun.

Motion by Klumpyan, 2nd by Seubert to approve the following Consent Agenda items:

- December 9, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes
- Approval of bills
- December receipts
- Condition of the budget
- Activity fund balances
- MCCDEB Special Education Meeting Highlights
- Connie Stieber as Volunteer Musical Assistant

Yes – DeBroux, Klumpyan, Seubert, and Gumtz. Motion carried 4-0.

Representative John Spiros attended and updated the board on the current legislation (AB1) proposals, Senate changes to the bill and possible legislative implications for the district. He also shared information on the State Budget development timeline.

A discussion was held regarding the potential timeline and transition to a 5 day week for in-person school. The board will continue to discuss the timeline and recommended a committee be formed to develop a plan. They acknowledged the need for ample time for teachers and parents to plan for a 5 day in-person week.

Building principals gave a COVID update and changes made in the buildings. MAES and MVA will transition Art back into the Art classroom. Band will begin to play instruments, with social distancing and slits in masks for rehearsal time. A guideline was shared recommending the

best protocol for family quarantine when returning from vacations. The board agreed to the recommendation. Juniors will take the ACT test on March 9th, with all grades 9, 10, and 12 attending virtually to allow enough space for ACT testing. The NHS ceremony will be held virtual this year. Many virtual students will be coming back to in-person learning 2nd semester. One of the upcoming girls basketball games will have only a varsity game. More tickets will be available and will be monitored to see if we can offer more tickets for the playoff season.

The board looked at three versions of the 2021-2022 school calendar. Motion by Knoeck, 2nd by Seubert to approve version 2 with looking into an alternate date for Solo and Ensemble. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Parks reviewed the optional opportunity for the school board to extend the FFCRA based on the latest federal COVID legislation. Motion by Klumpyan, 2nd by DeBroux to extend the FFCRA leave time through the end of the school year. Yes - DeBroux, Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, and Gumtz. Motion carried 5-0.

The board reviewed information provided and discussed Open Enrollment space limits for the 2021-22 school year. Motion by Klumpyan, 2nd by Seubert to set the following Open Enrollment limits, by grade, for the 2021-2022 school year: 4K – 6, 5K – 10, 1st Grade – 10, 2nd Grade – 1, 3rd Grade – 1, 4th Grade – 2, 5th Grade – 1, 6th Grade – 7, 7th Grade – 1, 8th Grade – 1, 9th Grade – unlimited, 10th Grade – unlimited, 11th Grade – unlimited, 12th Grade – unlimited, EC SPED – 0, ELEM SPED – 0, MVA SPED – 0, HS SPED – 5, and Speech/Language – 0. Motion carried 5-0.

The board reviewed and discussed the 66.0301 Intergovernmental Agreement between the Village of Marathon City and the School District of Marathon City. The approval was tabled to include clarifying wording.

Mr. McCain updated on the MVA Charter School. A Wisconsin Charter School Resource Center representative will be attending their governance board's next meeting.

The WASB and School Perceptions 2020-21 Board Development Tool Survey compilation was distributed to board members and discussion was tabled to the Board Retreat.

Board members were asked to contact Mr. Parks regarding which sessions of the WASB Convention they are interested in attending virtually as the District has two registrations.

A Board Retreat was scheduled for March 13, 2021 at 7:00 AM.

Mr. Parks reviewed with the board the 2021 WASB Delegate Assembly Resolutions that are to be voted on at the WASB State Convention next week.

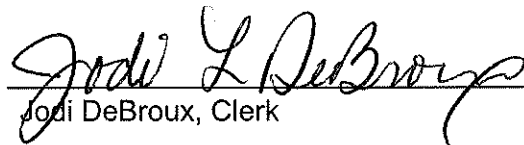
Motion by Seubert, 2nd by DeBroux to approve participation in the Wisconsin Institute for Public Policy and Service, Voices of Wisconsin Students Project Survey. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. McCain informed the board scheduling has begun at MVA, with the plan for some MVA students attending the HS for certain classes. The Leadership Team is meeting to help with schedule planning. The Spelling Bee will be taking place next week and Forward Testing will be held in late April. Seventeen students were honored as Captains of Character with a virtual presentation held at the recent Community Crew meeting.

Mr. Parks congratulated Mr. Guntz for being recognized for 20 years of school board service by the WASB. He shared the REMIND report data with the board, showing the high use of the App. by our district staff. Breakfast was provided for the staff on December 23rd, and weekend morning hours have been added in the Wellness Center.

Motion by Klumpyan, 2nd by Seubert to go into closed session pursuant to State Statute 19.85(1)(c) and (f) to consider employment, promotion, compensation, or performance of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility; and, deliberating and conducting other specified business whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Any business conducted in closed session or subsequent open session shall conform with the stated agenda. Roll call: Yes – 5, No – 0. Motion carried 5-0. The board went into closed session at 7:32 p.m.

Motion by Knoeck, 2nd by Seubert to adjourn from closed session. Roll call: Yes - 5, No - 0. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.



Jodi DeBroux, Clerk