

A regular meeting of the Marathon City School Board was held on Wednesday, May 12, 2021, in the High School Cafeteria. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by President Jodi DeBroux. She led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present were board members Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux, and administrative staff Rick Parks, David Beranek and Ryan McCain.

Written notice of the meeting was posted and sent to the news media on Friday, May 7 2021.

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

Vesely read the Marathon School District Mission Statement.

Mr. Beranek reported the FBLA is continuing their planning of the School Picnic and Yearbook Signing, and he has received permission to use the Village Park for the activities.

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

- April 14, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes
- April 27, 2021 Special Meeting Minutes
- Approval of bills
- April receipts
- Condition of the budget
- Activity fund balances
- MCCDEB Special Education Meeting Highlights
- WIAA membership renewal for 2021-22.

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

MAES 3rd grade teachers, along with Tera Fieri, gave a program overview. They have developed the scaffolded curriculum modules into expeditions, aligning with standards. One expedition is taught per trimester.

Mr. Beranek shared a COVID update. Planning continues for an outdoor graduation. Masks will be optional, and the plan is to increase the number of tickets to 6 per graduate and use the hill by the football field for others who wish to attend. If moved inside due to weather, only those 6 with tickets will be allowed in and must be masked. Marathon County COVID quarantine timelines will be used for the graduates. Mr. McCain shared the plans for summer school. At this time, masks will be required for indoor classes, with masks optional outdoors. Students will be in cohorts for tracking purposes, but will be limited in social distancing because of the number of students registered.

Summer office hours were set. The High School/District office will be open 7:30 AM to 2:00 PM Monday through Thursday and MAES/MVA from 7:30 AM to 3:30 PM Monday through Thursday. Both buildings will be closed on Friday.

Motion by Vesely, 2nd by Seubert to allow for summer facility use in both buildings, following COVID protocols established by Curt Miller and the coaching staff. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Beranek informed the board that the high school has been recognized as one of the Best High Schools in the nation and was also recognized for their high AP Placement tests.

Mr. Parks shared 2021-22 health insurance plans with the board. The recommendation is to move to the WCA Health Trust and keep current coverage and deductibles. Motion by Klumpyan, 2nd by Vesely to change to Wisconsin Counties Association Health Trust for health insurance as presented. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

The board reviewed the PGA quote for the outdoor classroom slab and fencing. Fencing the area is needed for safety reasons around the pond area. Motion by Knoeck, 2nd by Seubert to approve the bid from PGA. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Parks shared a quote from American Fence to install a fence on the east side of the high school property. The fence would help keep people from entering Marathon Cheese's property. After discussion it was decided to table the project.

Mr. McCain gave an MVA Charter School update. The Promotion Ceremony for 8th graders will take place June 2, 2021, at 6:00 PM. 8th graders will be visiting the Green Bay Botanical Gardens for their year-end field trip. Student Picnic Day will also be June 2, with permission slips needed to be signed by parents, as social distancing will not be able to be maintained.

The following school board positions and designations were assigned:

WASB Annual Meeting Delegate: Lia Klumpyan

CESA 9 Annual Meeting Delegate: Beth Seubert

MCCDEB Board Representative (3 year term: Currently assigned Jodi DeBroux)

Clerk position designation for postings, notices, and other assigned duties:

Jackie Hanke

Depository of School Funds: Peoples State Bank

Regular meetings for the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 5:30 pm at MHS

Annual Meeting for August 11, 2021 at 7 PM

Motion by Klumpyan, 2nd by Seubert to approve the revised Administrator Evaluation Tool. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. McCain reviewed the changes made to the MVA Charter School Contract. Changes made included updates to the language for required testing and reporting. Motion by Knoeck, 2nd by Klumpyan to approve the MVA Charter School Contract renewal with a correction for the noted legal counsel. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Knoeck, 2nd by Seubert to approve the support staff contracts for 2021-22. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Seubert, 2nd by Klumpyan to approve the 2021-22 co-curricular contracts as presented. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Knoeck, 2nd by Vesely to approve Carly Sager as District Bookkeeper. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Klumpyan, 2nd by Seubert to approve summer school teacher contracts for 2021. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Parks reviewed the procedural clarification for teacher benefits upon separation of services. It was recommended to carry benefits through August for teachers who leave at the end of their contract and charge the liquidation fee unless the teacher is covered by another insurance. If the District saves on the insurance premium, the District could allow the liquidation to be waived. Motion by Seubert, 2nd by Vesely to approve the procedure for teacher benefits upon separation as presented. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Vesely, 2nd by Knoeck to waive the liquidation fee of a previous employee. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Klumpyan, 2nd by Knoeck to approve Kate Hilmershausen as a 5th grade teacher. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Parks shared the letter he sent to legislators regarding pending legislation, the disbursement of ESSER monies, and need for additional general funding limits due to increased costs.

Mr. McCain reported 20 students were recognized as Captains of Character this month. Forward testing was completed and went very well. Many classes have begun their field trips.

Mr. Parks informed the board that Long Range Planning dates have been set for October 1 and 2, and November 12 and 13, 2021. Social Media continues to have a good following. Student Accident insurance will be renewed as in the past, and a contract at no cost will be signed with Sport and Spine for athletic trainer services. Marathon is working with CESA 9 on E-rate and on an application to receive federal dollars of approximately \$60,000 to help with extra technology expenses during the pandemic.

Motion by Knoeck, 2nd by Seubert to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:04 PM.



Beth Seubert, Clerk