

A regular meeting of the Marathon City School Board was held on Wednesday, November 8, 2023, 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, Max Wienke, and Connor Ellenbecker. Vesely excused herself from the meeting at 6:48 PM.

Written notice of the meeting was posted and sent to the news media on Thursday, November 2, 2023.

Motion by Vesely, 2nd by Seubert to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Vesely read the Marathon School District Vision Statement.

The Music Department gave an update of their program with the addition of new staff and coordinating schedules, past and upcoming concerts, and space issues they are encountering.

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

- October 18, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes
- October 30, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes
- Approval of bills
- October receipts
- Condition of the budget
- Activity fund balances
- MCCDEB Special Education Meeting Highlights
- School Board Election and Annual Notice

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

Motion by Seubert, 2nd by Klumpyan to deviate from the agenda. Motion carried.

Mr. Miller gave a Fall Sports update and shared winter sports participation numbers.

Mr. Miller explained the request and rationale for a change in the structure for coaching positions in the high school track program. Motion by Vesely, 2nd by Klumpyan to approve one head coach position for high school track. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Miller reviewed and clarified the HS sports streaming and radio coverage communications that have recently taken place. Hudl live streaming and the radio broadcasts will continue with the addition of Zeleski sports live streaming the winter season.

Mr. Adam Jacobson updated the board at the recent District Technology Committee meeting. ClassLink has been launched for the staff for security purposes, a new phone system service provider will be changed over next week, and planning for the 2024-25 E-rate projects is underway.

Sarah Reisgraf updated the board on the recent School Forest Committee happenings. A Management Plan has been developed with the hope to harvest timber on a portion of the School Forest. The land will also be surveyed at no cost to the district. Different groups are planning projects for improving the use of the land.

Mr. Parks shared that the Pond Committee will be meeting next week.

Motion by Knoeck, 2nd by Seubert to implement a full ACH payment system as a savings to the district and better process for reconciling accounts. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Vesely, 2nd by Klumpyan to approve Resolution A: Appointment of Midwest Trust Institutional Holdings as successor Trustee and Custodian for district funds in the Wisconsin OPEB Trust. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Seubert, 2nd by Vesely to approve Resolution B: Authorizing assignment of the Wisconsin OPEB Trust Investment Advisory Agreement to PMA Asset Management under majority control by TA Associates Management, LP. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

A discussion was held on the Wellness Center membership access. There will be no change to the current policy at this time.

Mr. Parks discussed the desire to add Knox Boxes for the fire department and law enforcement access to district buildings per the School Safety Committee and law enforcement recommendation. The board authorized Mr. Parks to proceed with the installation of the boxes.

Mr. Weinke gave a MVA Charter School update. The Governance Board continues to discuss fundraising. He attended the Midwest EL Principals Conference, and additional support by EL is being given for credentialing.

Mr. Parks reviewed the documentation for the board's 1st Reading of Neola Board Policy updates, revisions, and new policies recommendations.

Mr. Beranek reviewed the new high school course offering requests. Motion by Knoeck, 2nd by Seubert to approve the 2024-25 new High School Course offerings.

The board set January 6, 2024 at 7:00 AM for a Board Retreat to be held at LC's.

Motion by Klumpyan, 2nd by Knoeck to approve Taylor Ensign as Ag/Science teacher. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, and DeBroux. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Seubert, 2nd by Klumpyan to approve Brenda Wirkus as MAES/MVA teacher aide. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, and DeBroux. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Parks reported on Blue Edge Energy annual net savings, Common PD Day held in Marathon on October 20, 2023, shared the district's Social Media Report, and Rib Riders correspondence for use of the school forest for their snowmobile trail.

Mr. Beranek reported on the SLATE Conference in December, and the upcoming Veterans Day Program.

Mr. Weinke reported he attended the AESA Elementary Principals Conference, MAES/MVA Student Led Conferences, upcoming Veterans Day Program, and shared about the teachers attending the EL National Conference in Denver.

Motion by Klumpyan, 2nd by Knoeck to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:01 PM.



Beth Seubert, Clerk