A regular meeting of the Marathon City School Board was held on Wednesday, October 18, 2023, in the High School Cafeteria. The meeting was called to order at 5:32 PM by President Jodi DeBroux. She led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present were board members Klumpyan, Knoeck, Vesely and DeBroux, and administrative staff Rick Parks, David Beranek, Max Wienke, and Connor Ellenbecker. Beth Seubert arrived at 5:50 pm.

Written notice of the meeting was posted and sent to the news media on Wednesday, October 11, 2023.

Motion by Klumpyan, 2nd by Knoeck to approve the agenda. Motion carried 4-0.

Knoeck read the Marathon School District Mission Statement.

Klumpyan asked for clarification of the agenda item 9.4, Approve School-Based Mental Health Service Agreement with Children's Wisconsin. Motion by Vesely, 2nd by Klumpyan to approve the following Consent Agenda items:

September 13, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes

Approval of bills

September receipts

Condition of the budget

Activity fund balances

MCCDEB Special Education Meeting Highlights

School-Based Mental Health Service Agreement with Children's Wisconsin

Resignation of Jenna Kurtzweil as MAES Teacher Aide

Gina Smith as Volunteer Cross-Country Coach

Lindsay Johnson as Junior High Cross-Country Coach

Lizzie Noland as MVA Student Council Advisor (.5 FTE)

Nathalie Bonilla as MVA Student Council Advisor (.5 FTE)

Yes - Klumpyan, Knoeck, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Beranek reviewed 3rd Friday enrollment data, indicating increasing enrollment.

Motion by Seubert, 2nd by Klumpan to approve the ESSER III Budget as presented, with the addition of unbudgeted money going toward the purchase of bus cameras. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Vesely, Seubert and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Parks reviewed with the board the potential need for milk vendor bidding and will move forward with the bidding process, if needed after contacting the DPI.

Motion by Vesely, 2nd by Seubert to approve March 19, 2024 as the date for ACT and Pre-ACT testing for grades 9, 10, and 11, with seniors off that date. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Vesely, Seubert and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Klumpyan, 2nd by Vesely to approve Midwest Trust as the OPEB Trustee/Custodian, replacing BMO Harris. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Vesely, Seubert and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

MAES/MVA and MHS Principals reviewed their school safety drills and reports with the board. Motion by Vesely, 2nd by Seubert to approve the ACT 143 School Safety Reports. Motion carried.

The board discussed Wellness Center changes. No action was taken.

Mr. Weinke gave a MVA Charter School update. The Governance Board reviewed the re-credentialing process and agreed to recommend moving forward with the re-credentialing process. Field work/expeditions were reviewed along with MVA Parent Night. The MVA was granted a one year extension for re-credentialing by EL.

The Board set October 30, 2023, at 7:30 AM to approve and adopt the 2023-24 budget and set the tax levy.

A discussion was held regarding moving forward with the Outdoor Classroom project. A decision was tabled to the October 30th Special Meeting.

Motion by Vesely, 2nd by Knoeck to approve the 2023-24 District Library Plan. Motion carried.

Motion by Klumpyan, 2nd by Vesely to approve the revised substitute teacher pay as presented. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Vesely, Seubert and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Seubert, 2nd by Vesely to approve Early College Credit Program student applications for 2nd semester. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Vesely, Seubert and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

The Board reviewed the WASB Fall Regional Meeting attendance and the implementation of Act 20.

Board members planning to attend the WASB Convention, contact Mr. Parks for registration.

Motion by Knoeck, 2nd by Klumpyan to approve the 2023-24 Winter Coaches as presented. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Vesely, and DeBroux. Motion carried 4-0-1. Seubert abstained.

Motion by Knoeck, 2nd by Klumpyan to approve the 2023-2026 Snow Plow Bid with Seubert Excavating. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Vesely, Seubert and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Parks and Mr. Wienke gave a Legislative update regarding Act 20 based on information each received at recent AWSA and WASDA conferences.

Mr. Beranek gave a Homecoming review, update on Ag/Science 2nd semester position, recent Career Exploration Days and the Band performing a field show at a recent football home game.

Mr. Parks reviewed the WASDA Conference he attended, upcoming school calendar development guidance questions, DOT review of upcoming projects, and inquired about board member WiRSA conference meeting attendance.

Motion by Vesely, 2nd by Klumpyan to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:56 PM.

Beth Seubert, Clerk