

A regular meeting of the Marathon City School Board was held on Wednesday, September 13, 2023, in the High School Auditorium. The meeting was called to order at 5:31 PM by President Jodi DeBroux. She led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present were board members Klumpanyan, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux, and administrative staff Rick Parks, David Beranek, Max Wienke, and Connor Ellenbecker. Ted Knoeck was absent. Klumpanyan left the meeting at 6:45 PM.

Written notice of the meeting was posted and sent to the news media on Friday, September 8, 2023.

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

Seubert read the Marathon School District Vision Statement.

New district staff were introduced by Mr. Beranek and Mr. Wienke.

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

- August 9, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes
- August 14, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes
- August 14, 2023 Closed Session Meeting Minutes
- August 25, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes
- August 30, 2023 Closed Session Meeting Minutes
- Approval of bills
- August receipts
- Condition of the budget
- Activity fund balances
- MCCDEB Special Education Meeting Highlights

Yes – Klumpanyan, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Seubert, 2nd by Vesely to deviate from the agenda. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Klumpanyan, 2nd by Vesely to approve the renewal rates for the District Property, General Liability, and Workers Compensation Insurance for 2023-24. Yes – Klumpanyan, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 4-0.

MVA Teacher Jeff Schneider, gave an update on the recent kick-off of the first EL Expeditions of the school year that the MVA students participated in, Operation Pride and River Within Us.

Motion by Seubert, 2nd by Klumpanyan to approve the MVA EL Contract for the 2023-24 school year as presented. Yes – Klumpanyan, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Vesely, 2nd by Klumpanyan to approve the phone system and maintenance contract with TSI. Yes – Klumpanyan, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Parks reviewed Wellness Center hours for the school year. Due to the use of the center during the school year for classes and teams, hours for the public are scheduled from 4:30-7:00 AM and 5:00-10:00 PM during weekdays. The board also had a discussion regarding possible change of access rules though no decision was made.

Mr. Wienke gave an update on the recent ALICE training held during inservice for all staff who had not been previously trained. All trained staff completed the online refresher course.

Mr. Wienke reported the 5K Fun Run hosted by the MVA went very well and the MVA Governance Board will be meeting next week.

Mr. Parks shared the benefits of adding the WDC 457 program option for district employees. Motion by Vesely, 2nd by Klumpyan to approve the Resolution for Inclusion Under the State of Wisconsin Deferred Compensation Program, 457 Plan, for employees. Motion carried.

The WASB Regional Meeting will be held October 3, 2023, at the Holiday Inn in Rothschild. Board members should contact Mr. Parks for registration.

Mr. Parks announced three schools, Marathon, Edgar, and Prentice, were awarded the Peer Review and Mentoring Grant through the Department of Public Instruction to help with the costs associated with mentoring new teachers to the districts. The districts will work collaboratively and with CESA 9 to provide peer mentoring opportunities.

Motion by Vesely, 2nd by Seubert to approve three Parent Transportation Contracts as presented. Yes – Klumpyan, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Klumpyan, 2nd by Vesely to approve Dave Beranek as HS Student Council Advisor. Yes – Klumpyan, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Parks announced that the Marathon Music program received WSMA Accreditation for meeting all the criteria for the recognition during last school year.

Mr. Wienke explained the actions taken for a few cafeteria concerns at the MAES/MVA building and thanked the board for their support in adding an Associate Principal position.

Mr. Beranek announced that Marathon High School was ranked in the US News and World Report with a number 1 ranking in the central Wisconsin metro area and 83rd out of 574 in the State. Homecoming planning for next week is underway.

Mr. Parks reported that the district is receiving fluctuating milk pricing, snow bid process is underway, and the auditors were here last week. The CESA 9 Annual Report was shared. School Board Appreciation Week is the first week of October, and the Outdoor Classroom design is being updated.

Motion by Vesely, 2nd by Seubert to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM.



Beth Seubert, Clerk