A regular meeting of the Marathon City School Board was held on Wednesday, January 11, 2017, in the office of the district administrator. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by President Brian Gumtz. He led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present were board members Gumtz, Knoeck, Klumpyan, Seubert, and DeBroux, also present were administrative staff Parks, Beranek, and Budny.

Written notice of the meeting was posted and sent to the news media on Friday, January 6, 2017.

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

Knoeck read the Marathon School District Vision Statement.

Marathon High School Student Council representative, E. Kindlarski, informed the board of future events the group has planned. Winter Carnival Week will be held February 13-17, with various activities during the week. The Student Council would also like to take in food donations at two basketball games, with free admission for those who bring an item. The board will make a decision regarding admission at the next meeting.

MVA Student Council officers explained to the board the process used for becoming a member and officer of their Student Council. They also reported on upcoming events they have planned, including the Great Kindness Challenge and a Valentine Dance.

Motion by Klumpyan, 2nd by DeBroux to approve the following consent agenda items:

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General checks in the amount of \$655,132.32

Receipts for December totaling \$780,229.63

Activity Fund balances

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

Teachers and students from 2nd grade at MAES, presented on their recently completed expedition, Everything Connects. The students shared what they learned from their case studies, experiments they performed and on a field trip to the Marshfield Zoo.

Mrs. Aune, HS Guidance Counselor, reviewed our documents for the board on the Academic Career Planning Implementation for the Marathon School District. In 2017-18 all schools will be required to have a plan in place. This is a student driven, staff supported plan, preparing students for post high school. Marathon has already been implementing the plan in both the high school and middle school.

The District Auditor, D. Stabenow, reviewed the audit with the board. He shared that the district is in good financial standing and is in better financial condition than the previous year.

Mr. Parks shared information regarding options for approving and/or limiting Open Enrollment for next school year. The board discussed Open Enrollment space limits information, including potential financial impacts. The board tabled a decision until the next meeting scheduled for January 25, 2017.

Mr. Parks reviewed the preliminary cash defeasance estimates received from R.W. Baird with the board. The additional debt service levies will move the final payment to 2023 with a reduced amount in that year.

Motion by Knoeck, 2nd by Klumpyan to approve a recommendation from the finance committee to update the extra compensation page of the Employee Handbook for teachers who have done preapproved work and summer professional development. Yes – Gumtz, Knoeck, DeBroux, Seubert, and Klumpyan. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Parks updated the board on grants received so far this school year. Marathon County Special Education awarded \$1600 for PBIS and SWIS Program, \$1000 from Letters Alive Program, and \$1000 Fill a Backpack-Fill A Belly. The Community Foundation also awarded \$4000 for Fill a Backpack-Fill a Belly.

Mrs. Budny gave an MVA Charter School update. The Governance Board is working on a new slogan for the school and helping in the work for the MVA to become a credentialed school this year.

The board discussed their professional development handouts from The Board, "What It Means to Be a Proactive Board" and "The Case for Changing How We Assess Learning".

Logistics for travel and housing for the WASB State Convention were discussed.

The board discussed possible dates for their annual Board Retreat that is typically held in February. The board will be reviewing their schedules and a date will be determined at the next meeting.

Mr. Parks reported that only Jodi DeBroux and Lia Klumpyan have filed Declaration of Candidacy papers for the upcoming April election. They will run unopposed.

The Resolution on School Start Date Change was reviewed and discussed. Motion by Klumpyan, 2nd by Seubert to approve the Resolution on the School Start Date Change. Motion carried 5-0.

The 2017-18 school calendar options were reviewed by Mr. Beranek. Motion by Knoeck, 2nd by Seubert to approve Draft C of a 2017-18 School Calendar with a changes as noted. And, if the law changes to repeal the early start date, Draft B will be approved with changes as noted. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Parks informed the board of the WASB Legal and Human Resources Conference to be held February 23, 2017. Those interested should let Mr. Parks know for registration.

Motion by DeBroux, 2nd by Klumpyan to approve M. Natzke as 0.5 FTE 4K teacher. Yes – Gumtz, Knoeck, DeBroux, Seubert, and Klumpyan. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Seubert, 2nd by DeBroux to approve M. Koch as HS English Teacher. Yes – Gumtz, Knoeck, DeBroux, Seubert, and Klumpyan. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Klumpyan, 2nd by Seubert to approve Jody Seubert as MAES/MVA secretary. Yes – Gumtz, Knoeck, DeBroux, Seubert, and Klumpyan. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Parks reviewed with the board the 2017 WASB Delegate Assembly resolutions to be voted on at this year's Education Convention. Lia Klumpyan will again be our representative.

A discussion was held regarding the guidelines for facility use as it pertains to school and outside groups scheduling late night times on school nights for our elementary and middle level student-athletes. Motion by DeBroux, 2nd by Knoeck to set a time of 8:00 PM for all practice activities at the elementary/middle school level to be finished on school nights. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Parks informed the board a policy regarding unpaid meal charges will need to be in place per recent notice by the DPI.

Mr. Beranek reported Ag/Science interviews were being held this week. Math and Tech Ed interviews will be the next interviews to complete. The Academic Decathlon team as advanced to state for the 28th consecutive year. The team placed 1st at the Regional Meet.

Mrs. Budny informed the board the elementary school took part in the food drive for Peyton's Promise, and for the 2nd year in a row was the organization with the most contributions. The food all stayed local and 2863 items were collected, which was over 8 tons of food. After reviewing assessments, it was determined that there was a greater need for professional development aligned with the assessments. Tomorrow evening a speaker will be coming to MAES presenting Professional Development on the FastBridge assessment. Six staff members will be attending sessions on the PBIS behavioral system at the school wide level. This was made possible through the PBIS Grant received.

Motion by Seubert, 2nd by Klumpyan to go into closed session. Yes – Gumtz, Knoeck, DeBroux, Seubert, and Klumpyan. Motion carried 5-0. The board went into closed session at 8:29 PM.

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