

A regular meeting of the Marathon City School Board was held on Wednesday, April 12, 2017, in the office of the district administrator. The meeting was called to order at 5:31 PM by President Brian Gumtz. He led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Written notice of the meeting was posted and sent to the news media on Monday, April 10, 2017.

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

Knoeck read the Marathon School District Mission Statement.

For the MVA Student/School update, Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Brandenburg, MAES/MVA Student Council Advisors, spoke regarding student council members attending the state conference to be held in Madison on May 7 and 8, 2017. They are doing fundraising so that the twelve students can attend the overnight conference and participate in the different sectionals. They were encouraged to report back on their experience.

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

- March 8, 2017 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- March 15, 2017 Special Board Meeting Minutes
- General checks in the amount of \$826,621.22
- Receipts for March 2017 totaling \$39,716.90
- Activity Fund balances
- MCCDEB Special Education Meeting Minutes
- Cole Bergman as volunteer track coach

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

Mrs. Sorge and Mrs. Kroeplin presented on the implementation of the Wilson Reading Program as an intervention strategy at the elementary. The data shows success with the 29 students in grades 2-5 currently using the program.

Tera Fieri, MVA teacher, gave an update on becoming a credential school. Currently an electronic portfolio is being created so that it can be presented in the credentialing process. This portfolio will show the student progress and how the school has met their goals established.

Mr. Miller gave an update on the winter sports season and the success of the Marathon teams. Both the boys and girls basketball teams won Conference and also their Conference Crossover game. It was noted that the crossover games will no longer will be held. He also mentioned the spring sports are underway and numbers are good.

The first reading of Board Rule 377, Athletic Code was reviewed. Changes regarding the use of grades for academic eligibility was discussed. Other changes include the code being signed electronically and attendance being required for four academic periods to be eligible to participate that day.

Mrs. Brandenburg and Mrs. Budny gave an update on the PBIS training and work at MAES/MVA. This is a "Positive Behavior" based program. Students are praised for good behavior, not focusing on the poor behavior. This data, together with other data, will be used to find areas that need improvement as well as areas that have shown improvement.

Motion by Klumpyan, 2nd DeBroux to approve the 66.0301 Resolution for an Intergovernmental Agreement with Edgar School District for a part-time art teacher. Yes – Gumtz, Knoeck, DeBroux, Seubert, and Klumpyan. Motion carried 5-0.

The board reviewed the final draft of the 2016-17 Township Talking Points and town meeting attendance by board members and district administrator.

Election results for Lia Klumpyan and Jodi DeBroux were reported, with both being re-elected to the school board. Jodi DeBroux administered the Oath of Office to Lia Klumpyan. DeBroux's Oath of Office was administered prior to the meeting.

Mr. Parks shared the anticipated costs associated with providing lunch during the summer school programming. If approved, the DPI Food Service Contract will need to be changed to reflect the addition of summer lunches. Motion by Knoeck, 2nd by DeBroux to approve summer school lunch provided by the food service. Yes – Gumtz, Knoeck, DeBroux, Seubert, and Klumpyan. Motion carried 5-0.

The board discussed the possibility of the creation of a District Accountability Coordinator. More information will be gathered and brought back to a future meeting.

The Eagle Scout project for MAES/MVA was tabled to the May meeting.

The board discussed their professional development Handouts from the Board "Paying for Performance: The Latest Research" and "Next Generation Teachers: How They are Different".

The board discussed the second reading of Policy 532.1. Motion by Seubert, 2nd by Klumpyan to approve the revisions to Policy 532.1, Instructional Staff Leaves and Absences. Motion carried 5-0.

The board discussed making changes to the 2017-18 calendar with the October 6th Inservice being changed to October 13th to allow for a collaborate inservice with other area schools, and inclement weather make-up language being added. Motion by DeBroux, 2nd by Klumpyan to approve the recommended changes to the 2017-18 school calendar. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Beranek reviewed the current year's minutes of instruction report and impact. The high school is the only school building short on minutes. Motion by DeBroux, 2nd by Klumpyan to approve May 5th as a make-up school day for high school students due to inclement weather. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Seubert, 2nd by Klumpyan to appoint Sharon Seubert as MCCDEB representative. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Parks reviewed the 2017-18 teacher contracts. Motion by Knoeck, 2nd by Seubert to approve the 2017-18 teacher contracts as recommended. Yes – Gumtz, Knoeck, DeBroux, Seubert, and Klumpyan. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Parks recommended approval of teachers for four positions based on interviews and reference checks. Ag/Science and Business were tabled. Motion by Seubert, 2nd by DeBroux to approve the following new staff for next year:

Justin Paetzel as 6-12 Tech Ed
Kassandra Klump as 7-12 Math
Monica Natzke as 1st Grade Teacher
Edward Ikert as 3rd Grade Teacher

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

Mr. Parks gave a brief recap of the interviews of the contractors for the facility/feasibility study. Motion by DeBroux, 2nd by Klumpyan to move forward with a feasibility/facility study with Plunkett Raysich Architects. Yes – Gumtz, Knoeck, DeBroux, Seubert, and Klumpyan. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by DeBroux, 2nd by Knoeck to approve the five recommended student summer maintenance workers, with a sixth if needed. Yes – Gumtz, Knoeck, DeBroux, and Klumpyan. Seubert abstained. Motion carried 4-0-1.

Mr. Parks shared a DOT letter regarding work beginning on 13th Lane within the district and an update on infrastructure technology work. He will be developing a letter to local legislators regarding funding for Education. Board members are to let Mr. Parks know if they plan to attend the New Board Member gathering being held at Marathon HS and the WASB Spring Academy. WASB is also seeking ideas for next year's convention.

Mr. Beranek informed the board Prom will be held April 22, 2017, with the Grand March held at 8:30. At the last inservice, high school staff were given time to work on something they normally do not get time to do, and at the end of the day they reported to the group their accomplishments.

Mrs. Budny reported on the many class trips taking place in April and the success of the Fill-a-Backpack program. Summer school brochures are out and the registration forms to be returned next week.

Motion by Seubert, 2nd by Klumpyan to go into closed session at 8:12 pm.

March 20, 2017 Special Meeting Closed Session Minutes were reviewed and approved.

Motion by Seubert, 2nd by Knoeck to adjourn. Yes – Gumtz, Knoeck, DeBroux, Seubert, and Klumpyan.
Motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.



Jodi DeBroux, Clerk