

MARSHALL PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Board of Education

Regular Meeting Minutes

Board Room

December 16, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Jon Bunch at 6:00 p.m. as duly posted under State Statutes §19.84(1)(2)(c).

Roll Call of the Board

Board of Education Present: Jon Bunch, Cecil Chadwick, Bonnie Clayton, Debbie Frigo, Sandra Litang-Canon, John Lutz

Board of Education Absent: Michelle Voigts

Administration Present: Lisa Blochwitz, Bob Chady, Brian Sniff, Barb Sramek, Becca Stein, Brian Sutton

Approval of Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda as presented was made by Lutz and seconded by Frigo. Carried 6-0.

Proof of Giving Public Notice

A motion that public notice was provided to The Courier on December 11, 2015 was made by Bunch and seconded by Canon. Carried 6-0.

Recognition of Fall Sports Accomplishments

Matt Kleinheinz, Athletic Director, acknowledged high school football players for the 2015 season and their co-conference championship.

Public Comment

Tara Michalak invited any attendees to visit the 4th grade classrooms the following week for their Afternoon with Authors event.

Bonnie Clayton read a letter submitted by two staff members in the elementary school, acknowledging the positive work of Becca Stein, elementary principal.

A second letter was read that was submitted by the fourth grade teaching team. The letter acknowledged the work of the school district administrators and the elementary principal, Becca Stein.

Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of receipts and expenditures. General Fund checks #88846 to #89254 and Activity Fund checks #16514 to #16519
- B. Board Minutes dated November 18, November 30, and December 2, 2015
- C. Disposal of property - none
- D. Approval of Resignations/Retirements - none
- E. Offer contracts/letters of employment
 - a. Michele Smith Kearney - Special Education Paraeducator
 - b. John Lutz - 7th grade girls basketball
- F. Second reading regarding Board policy:
 - a. 731.5 Unmanned Aerial Vehicles/Drones on Marshall Public Schools property

A request was made by Barb Sramek to remove approval of the 7th grade girls basketball coach from the consent agenda and address it separately at the end of the meeting agenda.

Motion by Clayton, seconded by Canon, to approve all items on the consent agenda as presented, with the exception of the 7th grade girls basketball coach, which will be revisited at the end of the agenda. Carried 6-0.

Reports

Committee Reports

Committee of the Whole - Technology and Career Education staff presentation from the high school. Discussed some ideas regarding course proposals that will be forthcoming for the high school.

The Board reviewed an interactive school finance exercise that was conducted at the meeting and discussed the potential of holding the same interactive exercise for community members who may be interested.

Legislative Agenda - Jon Bunch reported the Every Student Succeeds Act was passed last week, which replaces the No Child Left Behind Act. Accountability goals are left to each State, but retains testing requirements. It will be implemented in the 2017-18 school year.

Administrative Reports

Lisa Blochwitz and Matt Kleinheinz attended a conference regarding youth drug abuse. The primary focus was on recognizing signs that students under the influence exhibit, things to watch for, new information and drugs being used, and the effect of those drugs.

Old Business - none

New Business

Presentation of the 2014-15 audit

Brent Nelson and Jeff Osvog, auditors from Johnson & Block, reported on the 2014-15 school year audit. No action sought

Discussion and potential action regarding approval of the 2016 8th grade trip to Washington, DC and permission to engage in fundraising for the 2017 trip.

Anna-Lisa Dahlgren and Jessica Mayo, along with middle school students, presented information on the trip to the Board. Motion by Lutz, seconded by Canon, to approve the 2016 8th grade trip to Washington DC and permission to engage in fundraising for the 2017 trip. Carried 6-0.

Presentation regarding Academic and Career Planning

Brian Sutton, Director of Instruction, and Jeremy Walden, High School Counselor, presented information on Academic Career Planning. Recent legislation requires all students, grade 6-12, to have an academic career plan beginning in 2017. No action sought.

Michelle Voigts arrived at 7:24

Discussion and potential action regarding approval of the 2016-2017 calendar

Motion by Clayton, seconded by Frigo, to approve the 2016-17 calendar as presented. Carried 7-0.

First reading and discussion regarding Board policy:

1. 462 Wisconsin Technical Excellence Scholarship
2. 423 Full-time Public School Open Enrollment
3. Administrative Rule 423 Procedures for dealing with Full-Time Open Enrollment Applications

No action sought.

Discussion regarding 2016-2019 referendum

No action sought

Discussion and potential action regarding changing the date of the regular Board meeting in January

Motion by Lutz, seconded by Canon, to approve a change in the date of the regular January 2016 Board meeting to January 27, due to Board Member attendance at the 2016 State Education Convention. Carried 6-1. (Voigts)

Offer letter of employment/contract (Consent agenda, Item E)

- John Lutz - 7th grade girls basketball coach.

John Lutz, a current school board member, is recommended for a coaching position. State statute prohibits a school board member from holding a compensated coaching position. A school board member may serve as a volunteer coach, receiving no compensation for those duties. There were no other applicants for the position. Motion by Canon, second by Voigts to approve John Lutz as a volunteer coach for 7th grade girls basketball. Carried 6-0. (Lutz abstained)

Discussion of future Board agenda items

No action sought

Contemplated Closed Session

Action to convene into closed session pursuant to section 19.85 of the Wisconsin Statutes

- §19.85(1)(f) for the consideration of the medical, social, disciplinary, or personal histories of an employee
- §19.85(1)(c) for discussion regarding the evaluation of the superintendent.

Motion to adjourn into closed session made by Lutz, seconded by Voigts. Carried 6-0 by a voice vote.

Closed session began at 8:03 p.m.

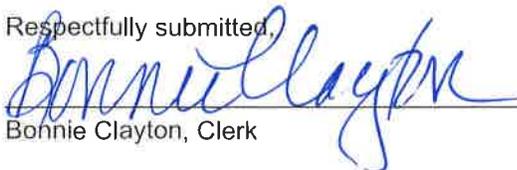
No action sought.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Frigo and seconded by Bunch. Carried 6-0.

Meeting adjourned at 10:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Bonnie Clayton, Clerk