

Approved: 2/8/17

MARSHFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
MARSHFIELD SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
Seth Ventress Auditorium
January 24, 2017
7:00 p.m.

Mr. Costello called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL

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| Mrs. Shrand | Yes |
| Mrs. Campbell | Yes |
| Mr. Greer | Yes |
| Mr. Costello | Yes |
| Mrs. Church | Yes |

Also present was Supt. Jeffrey Granatino, Asst. Supt. Dr. Ellen Martin, Asst. Supt. Dr. Susan Dupuis Special Education / Pupil Personnel, and Asst. Supt. Business & Finance, Mr. Thomas Miller.

PeaceBuilders Pledge was recited by all.

Mr. Costello noted under the Open Meeting Law, he was informing the public of this meeting being videotaped by Marshfield Community Television. If anyone in the audience is taping the meeting, either audio or video, please inform us of such at this time.

BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

Chair Costello opened Budget Public Hearing at 7:05 p.m. No public comment.
Chair Costello closed Budget Public Hearing at 7:07 p.m.

SPOTLIGHT ON EXCELLENCE

MHS Science Department Head, Leslie Dimond, addressed the Committee on the LIFT 2 Program. Ms. Dimond worked in Watertown for a civil engineering company during the summer months through Teachers 21. She worked with teams at the private corporation that changed her teaching methods – specifically project based learning and real life activity. Students currently are designing their own bike path, using CAD program and their ecology background. Our new science standards and engineering combined relate to real life applications for our students. The STEM field is growing and is a leading field for our students.

II. INFORMATIONAL

Supt. Granatino updated the Committee on the following:

- Communication being sent out to Marshfield community for interest in the upcoming District Strategic Planning Team – first meeting for the Leadership Team is February 28th. We look for a presentation to the School Committee this June.
- January 26 is second presentation of Hidden in Plain Sight at the FBMS during conferences
- Eames Way School student Brice Bolger was recognized by the Marshfield Fire Department for his quick action during a family incident. Brice received the 'Young Hero's Award' from the Marshfield Fire Department
- Massasoit Community College had an open house for spring courses and is looking into adult courses for the future

Asst. Supt. Martin updated the Committee on the following:

- Dr. Jennifer Love began STEM professional development with our elementary schools and created Google resources for all elementary staff to use with new science units
- Twenty elementary staff attended Readers & Writing Workshops in Framingham
- District in-service last week was nine different technology workshops; i.e. Google, ELL, Canvas, that were very well received. MHS had in-service of 'Calm Classroom'.

Asst. Supt. Dr. Susan Dupuis updated the Committee on the following:

- Wonder Fair is Friday, January 27th at the FBMS gym and consists of eight stations from 8 a.m. through 2:30 p.m. for Grade 6 clusters – Theme is 'I AM'
- Working on online class for Special Education Teachers PDP's
- Ongoing Coordinated Program Review
- Jane Landry will be out interim School Nurse Leader three days a week – Jane will support our nursing staff but will not evaluate

Asst. Supt. Thomas Miller updated the Committee on the following:

- Kindergarten Registration Lottery – 221 registered with 167 Full Day Kindergarten; three will be nine Full Day K class district wide and Half Day K classes at every elementary school. Every year a greater percentage request Full Day Kindergarten

Subcommittee Reports:

Mr. Greer referenced unfunded mandates; i.e., MCAS 2.0 with hidden costs.

Mr. Costello noted MHS is forming a subcommittee on Academic Standards.

Student Representative Report

Ms. Timcoe noted:

- MHS Term 2 ends this Friday
- MHS Parent/Teacher Conferences February 1
- MHS Girls Hockey played Grade 4 students
- MHS & Duxbury High School had a hockey charity game to support a student with cancer
- MHS Boys Track won 9th Track tournament
- MHS Semi-formal dance is February 4th

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

IV. MINUTES

MOTION: Mr. Costello moved to approve the minutes of January 10, 2017 as amended. Mrs. Campbell second. VOTE: 4-0-1. (Shrand abstain)

V. OLD BUSINESS

FY'18 Budget: Mr. Miller reviewed the FY'18 Draft Financial Plan with the Committee. A budget number needs to be voted per the Town Charter. Committee discussed un-prioritized draft financial plan.

MOTION: Mr. Greer moved to approve the un-prioritized FY'18 Draft Financial Plan as presented. Mrs. Campbell second. VOTE: 5-0-0.

MOTION: Mr. Greer moved to approve the School Committee FY'18 Budget as presented in the amount of \$48,291,788. Mrs. Church second. VOTE: 5-0-0.

District Policy JH – Student Absences & Excuses: Supt. Granatino reviewed language of Policy JH. Excused and unexcused absences can be found in all student handbooks.

MOTION: Mrs. Campbell moved to approve the district Policy JH Student Absences & Excuses as amended. Mrs. Church second. VOTE: 5-0-0.

MOTION: Mr. Greer moved for final approval of Marshfield Public School District Policies A through L. Mrs. Church second. VOTE: 5-0-0.

Committee thanked Mr. Greer and Mr. Costello for their hard work on the Policy Subcommittee. Committee also thanked Mr. Jim Hardy of MASC for his guidance through this process.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Furnace Brook Middle School Roof Repair Project: Committee is required to vote on draft proposed article, motion and potential ballot question for Annual Town Meeting. Board of Selectmen have pledged their support. MSBA will review the article, motion and ballot question.

Special Town Meeting Warrant opens next week and closes on February 9, 2017.

MOTION: Mr. Greer moved to approve the draft proposed article, motion and potential ballot question as presented for Annual Town Meeting for the Furnace Brook Roof Repair Project. Mrs. Church second. VOTE: 5-0-0.

VII. FUTURE MEETINGS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Mr. Greer moved to adjourn meeting at 9:20 p.m. Mrs. Church second. VOTE: 5-0-0.

ROLL CALL:

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| Mrs. Shrand | Yes |
| Mrs. Campbell | Yes |
| Mr. Costello | Yes |
| Mr. Greer | Yes |
| Mrs. Church | Yes |

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruthann Despier
School Committee Secretary