

**MARSHFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
MARSHFIELD SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING  
GOVERNOR WINSLOW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

**January 10, 2023**

**6:30 p.m.**

**SPOTLIGHT ON EXCELLENCE: GWS Early Intervention in Literacy**

Principal Hubbard introduced reading specialists Pam Roberts and Nicole Silva along with teachers Christina Jacobucci, Maura Hayes, and Hannah Coletta. Ms. Roberts and Ms. Silva discussed their team approach to planning and instruction along with their intervention schedule. In grades 1 and 2, tier I instruction includes Foundations where students work in a group specific to their needs in collaboration with the classroom teacher, special education teacher, specialist, and classroom aide. Testing results were shared highlighting the advancement of students as a result of this program.

Ms. Boyd called meeting to order at 6:50 p.m.

**I. ROLL CALL**

Mrs. Brait	Yes
Ms. Stetson	Absent
Mr. Costello	Absent
Mr. Greer	Yes
Ms. Boyd	Yes

Also present were Supt. Mr. Jeffrey Granatino, Asst. Supt. Dr. Ellen Martin, Director of Special Education/Pupil Personnel Ms. Amy Scolaro, and Asst. Supt. Business & Finance Mr. Thomas Miller.

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

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT**

Student representative Nicole October updated the Committee on the following:

- MES is hosting around the world lunches and their enrichment programs are starting
- DWS School Council met today
- EWS is having spirit week
- FBMS concerts are this week and next
- Time for MHS seniors to order their caps and gowns
- FBMS/MHS semester 1 ends 1/20

## **INFORMATIONAL**

Supt. Granatino updated the Committee on the following:

- Marshfield and Hingham boys hockey teams jointly raised \$31,485 for Hockey Fights Cancer
- Thanks to MPD on National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day. It is an honor to work with them
- Principal searches are ongoing at MHS and EWS
  - Principal Hubbard chairing the EWS search with SC member Kendra Stetson
  - Asst. Supt. Martin chairing the MHS search with SC member Sean Costello. Students will be involved in the MHS search
  - Mr. Greer requested appointing an alternate SC member in case of schedule conflict
- Currently reviewing AED inventory
  - MHS Athletics currently have 2 portable units
  - Each school has one in their lobby

Asst. Supt. Martin updated the SC on ongoing professional development.

Mrs. Scolaro updated the SC on an upcoming presentation – From Chaos to Calm: Supporting Your Student with Executive Functioning Challenges scheduled on 1/11 at 6:30 p.m. at the Seth Ventress Auditorium.

Mr. Miller had no updates for the Committee.

## **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

None

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None

## **MEA UPDATE**

None

## **MINUTES**

Ms. Boyd tabled the minutes to a future meeting.

## **II. OLD BUSINESS**

### **Regional Agreement with SSVT**

Supt. Granatino updated the SC on continued conversations with SSVT Principal Hickey to review a potential partnership as well as the draft of the article for Town Meeting.

Mr. Greer asked if Marshfield School Committee members could sit on the SSVT School Committee. Supt. Granatino answered that he would inquire with our attorney.

### **III. NEW BUSINESS**

#### **McKinney Vento Update**

McKinney Vento liaison Robynne Ryan-Lambert updated the SC on the overwhelming support she received for the #66 homeless students and #25 students in foster care. She highlighted the Marshfield Community Rib Cook-Off Committee and their very generous \$22,000 donation. The MCRCO Committee were in attendance.

Mrs. Brait commented on the amazing partnership between the community and MPSD. Supt. Granatino praised Mrs. Ryan-Lambert for the partnerships she created between the schools and town organizations.

#### **Acceptance of Donations**

**MOTION:** Mrs. Brait moved to accept the \$22,000 donation from the Marshfield Rib Cook-Off Committee. Mr. Greer second. VOTE: 3-0-0

The Edwin Philips Trust awarded a \$25,000 grant to renovate the life skills classroom for special education students at FBMS.

**MOTION:** Mrs. Brait moved to accept the \$25,000 grant from the Edwin Phillips Trust. Mr. Greer second. VOTE: 3-0-0

#### **FY'24 Operating Budget**

Supt. Granatino presented the proposed FY24 budget. Mr. Miller added that 85% of our budget is salaries. The budget is based on the financial plan and takes the 5 pillars of the strategic plan into consideration. One concern is the requested 14% increase for out of district placements along with anticipated utility increases. Six proposed needs based enhancements total \$450,000. The town projects a 3% increase and MPSD has requested 5%. Meetings continue with the budget subcommittee.

Ms. Boyd asked the status of Title I funding (federal grant). Asst. Supt. Martin answered that prior years \$500,000 was reduced to \$250,000 as FY21 census numbers reflect fewer families in poverty (currently 4.5%; 5% needed for additional funding).

#### **Early Childhood Tuition**

Mr. Miller submitted a proposed increase in preschool tuition from \$2,500 to \$2,750 as a 1<sup>st</sup> read.

**Driver's Education Tuition**

Mr. Miller submitted a proposed increase to the driver's education tuition from \$675 to \$825. This is a self-funded program and the increase would take effect in March.

**MOTION:** Mrs. Brait moved to approve the increase in driver's education tuition from \$675 to \$825. Mr. Greer second. VOTE: 3-0-0

**MHS Library Book Surplus**

Mr. Miller discussed the list of books the MHS library recommended be sold or donated.

**MOTION:** Mrs. Brait moved to declare the listed books as surplus. Mr. Greer second. VOTE: 3-0-0

**IV. FUTURE MEETINGS**

A School Committee meeting is scheduled for January 24<sup>th</sup> at Seth Ventress Auditorium including the Public Budget Hearing.

**V. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Mrs. Brait moved to adjourn to Executive Session not to return to Open Session at 8:05 p.m. Mr. Greer second. VOTE: 3-0-0

**ROLL CALL**

Mrs. Brait	Yes
Ms. Stetson	Absent
Mr. Costello	Absent
Mr. Greer	Yes
Ms. Boyd	Yes

Meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan M. Pozerski  
School Committee Secretary