

**MARSHFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
MARSHFIELD SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
DANIEL WEBSTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
December 6, 2022
6:30 p.m.**

Mr. Costello called meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL

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

Also present were Supt. Mr. Jeffrey Granatino, Asst. Supt. Dr. Ellen Martin, and Asst. Supt. Business & Finance Mr. Thomas Miller.

Mr. Costello noted under the Open Meeting Law, he 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.

Before the start of the meeting, Mr. Costello asked for a moment of silence for the Mattson family and the tragedy that befell them.

Due to illness, the DWS spotlight on excellence was postponed to a future SC meeting.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Student representatives Erin King, Nicole October, and Isabella Leith updated the Committee on the following:

- Book fairs upcoming at elementary schools along with report cards and parent/teacher conferences
- MES held Cards & Coco event
- DWS planning winter concert on 12/16
- FBMS Teachers v. 7th grade students basketball game on 12/15
- MHS art students visiting NYC on 12/9
- FBMS/MHS grades close on 12/9 and progress reports issued 12/12

Mr. Costello commended the student representatives on the recent MHS pride week events.

INFORMATIONAL

Supt. Granatino updated the Committee on the following:

- Principals Campia and Keuther announced their upcoming retirements
 - Principal Campia is retiring in February so an interim will be selected for the remainder of this school year
 - Search committees will be impaneled to select their successors
- Work to begin in March with TLA to renew Strategic Plan. Process to be completed in June
- The performance of Puffs at MHS was commendable and very comical

- Recently met with DPW to review winter storm plans
- Elementary leadership recently watched Ms. Hayes, Mrs. Niland, and Mr. Talucci teach the new Bridges curriculum to their students

Asst. Supt. Martin echoed how hard the teachers are working on the new Bridges math curriculum.

Asst. Supt. Business & Finance Miller updated the Committee on the following:

- Planning to bring forward a tuition adjustment for preschool at the 1/10 SC meeting
 - Currently investigating number of rooms at 255 Furnace
 - Registration typically at end of January
- Drivers Education is in need of 2 new vehicles (current vehicles are 2010, 2011, 2012)
- Reconvene Transportation Subcommittee to write RFP with upcoming transportation needs
- Upcoming discussion of FY24 budget at 12/13 Leadership Council including Ms. Stetson and Mr. Costello
 - Will present a 1st read on 1/10
- New MUNIS system went live on 12/12

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Eric Kelley, 121 Peterson Path, discussed mock elections held in schools and a conversation with Principal Kemmett regarding the results being sent to JFK Museum. Mr. Kelley expressed concern that results are submitted and that not all classes participate. He requested that SC review the practice. He also commented on school principals retiring and suggested rotating principals through the 7 schools.

MEA UPDATE

Mrs. Marples, MEA President, wished all Happy Holidays and best wishes for a joyous season on behalf of the membership. She then addressed Mr. Kelley's concerns. As with all curriculum, teachers try to expose students to many experiences to ensure an educated public. She was saddened to think that some thought this lesson was for nefarious reason.

MINUTES

Mr. Costello tabled the minutes to a future meeting.

III. OLD BUSINESS

Update on Potential Partnership with SSVT

Supt. Granatino updated the SC on continued conversations with SSVT Principal Hickey to review a potential partnership. SSVT is investigating building a new school with the debt shared by all member towns. (Marshfield's percentage would be based on the number of students attending.) All 9 towns would be required to vote to support the new building.

SSVT currently has 635 students of which 8 are Marshfield residents. There is potential for Marshfield to represent 18% of the SSVT population. Marshfield would contribute \$392,181, payable over 10 years, to buy into SSVT. Hanson was the last town to join SSVT (in the 1980s). An article for Marshfield town meeting is due in January. The costs and benefits of joining SSVT will be highlighted at Town Meeting.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

AFS Short Term Exchange Request

MHS World Language Teacher Patricia Salamone accompanied by MHS sophomores Delaney Mayo and Connor Donovan requested permission to participate in an exchange program with students from Barker, NY in March, 2023. The MHS students would visit Niagara Falls and an Amish community while in NY. Delaney spoke of the opportunity to learn about a different community. Mrs. Salamone added that up to 12 students could participate.

MOTION: Ms. Stetson moved to approve the MHS students traveling to Barker, NY in March. Ms. Boyd second. VOTE: 3-0-0

Curriculum Update

Asst. Supt. Martin updated the SC on the curriculum maps and documents that are available on MPSD.org including unit guides by department. This update puts MPSD on a 5 year cycle for curriculum review. She also discussed the full day Professional Development on 11/8 where 60 sessions were held throughout the day and recognized Aimee McAlpine as vital to the planning process. The featured speaker, Fall Creek, WI Superintendent Joe Sanfelippo, highlighted his district's social media strategy. Additional sessions included: trauma informed practice training, Bridges math top tips, and multiple book studies.

V. FUTURE MEETINGS

A School Committee meeting is scheduled for January 10th at Governor Winslow Elementary School.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Ms. Stetson moved to adjourn to Executive Session not to return to Open Session at 7:55 p.m. Ms. Boyd second.

ROLL CALL

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

Meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan M. Pozerski
School Committee Secretary