

**MARSHFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
MARSHFIELD SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
SETH VENTRESS AUDITORIUM
March 22, 2022
6:30 p.m.**

Mrs. Brait called meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL

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

Mrs. Brait noted under the Open Meeting Law, she 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.

Supt. Granatino requested a moment of silence for Nicholas Wanderley, a Norwell High School student, who died in a car accident in Marshfield. He also asked for prayers for the 2 survivors, also Norwell High School students.

INFORMATIONAL

Supt. Granatino updated the Committee on the following:

- The MEF ran an amazing race with 3,000 runners/walkers that raised \$60,000 that goes toward teachers' grant requests
- Planning continues for the We Are Marshfield Project on 4/29
- Not My Kid presentation planned at FBMS on 5/18
- Congratulations on a great performance to the All Town Strings Concert performers
- The MHS Drama Club is moving onto the state semifinals with their production of A Midsummer Night's Dream
- Congratulations to the MHS Boys Hockey Team on receiving the Mulloy Team Sportsmanship Award for service work in our community

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

- Digital Learning lead teachers are offering before/after school sessions for their colleagues
- Finalists for the new math curriculum include: Illustrative Math, Bridges, and Reveal with a final decision coming in May

Mrs. Scolaro updated the Committee on the final progress report for TFM which was submitted, reviewed, and approved

Supt. Granatino recognized Mrs. Scolaro's team for the 100s of hours they dedicated to complete this project.

Mr. Miller updated the Committee on the following:

- The FY23 budget, including prioritizing the financial plan, will be presented at the 4/5 SC Meeting
- Currently monitoring kindergarten enrollment which is now #200 students
- The Transportation Group decided NOT to implement a fee for 2022-2023 but will require student bus registration

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

None

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Student representatives Nicole October, Erin King, and Lisa Parson, updated the Committee on the following:

- MHS hosting Putting for Patients on 4/2. All proceeds go to the Jimmy Fund
- MHS hosted Drama Festival on 3/19
- MHS Smart with Money Fair planned for 3/25
- Power of One awards held at FBMS
- Report cards for FBMS/MHS on 4/8
- MCAS testing beginning
- Elementary parent/teacher conferences scheduled this week
- Recreation Department planning Easter egg hunt on 4/9

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

MEA UPDATE

Mrs. Marples thanked Asst. Supt. Miller for his support of MPSD educators through the MEF road race. She also thanked parents for their support of MPSD educators over the past 2 years.

MINUTES

MOTION: Mr. Costello moved to approve the minutes of March 8, 2022. Mrs. Campbell second. VOTE: 4-0-0

II. OLD BUSINESS

2023-2024 Academic Calendar

MOTION: Mr. Costello moved to accept the 2023-2024 Academic Calendar. Mrs. Campbell second. VOTE: 4-0-0

School Committee Meetings 2022 – 2023

MOTION: Mr. Costello moved to accept the 2022-2023 School Committee Meeting Calendar. Mrs. Campbell second. VOTE: 4-0-0

III. NEW BUSINESS

EWS Library Dedication

Principal Campia and EWS Administrative Assistant Kathy Gasper discussed the lasting impact that librarian Becky Shiaris had on the EWS community. In 1995, the school reopened with an empty library which Mrs. Shiaris built to include more than 6,000 books ensuring that the library is the heart of their school. In tribute and with her family's support, Mr. Campia and Mrs. Gasper proposed naming the EWS library in her honor. A MHS scholarship is also planned.

Mr. Costello commented that there have been very few dedications in his tenure on SC and that friends who attended EWS remember Mrs. Shiaris fondly.

MOTION: Mr. Costello moved that the EWS Library be renamed the "Becky Shiaris Library". Mrs. Campbell second. VOTE: 4-0-0

Mr. Campia and Mrs. Gasper thanked the SC and discussed a proposed library dedication on 4/1 at 3:30.

MHS DECA Trip

Dr. Paula Minchello discussed the DECA team's success at their recent competition resulting in students qualifying for their international conference in Atlanta. Eighteen students and 3 chaperones were selected to attend the conference from 4/23-4/26 to compete, display their leadership skills, along with participate in team building and networking events. The cost is \$1,250/student to which DECA contributes \$350.

Mr. Greer asked if the price is reduced for students in the free/reduced lunch program. Dr. Minchello answered that arrangements are made with the parents of students in special situations. Mr. Costello congratulated Dr. Minchello on DECA's sustained success and Mrs. Campbell expressed her excitement for the students.

MOTION: Mr. Costello moved that DECA students attend their International Career Development Conference in Atlanta, Georgia from 4.23.22 to 4.26.22. Mrs. Campbell second. VOTE: 4-0-0

Middle School Science Program Adoption

Asst. Supt. Martin along with FBMS Principal Kemmett and science teachers Mr. Boudreau and Mr. Baldwin discussed the adaptation of the proposed OpenSciEd program which would be grant funded through the Department of Education. The program encourages student investigation based on students' questions. The grant funds teacher training over 3 years including 4 training days over the

summer. The program includes 6 units/grade level and could be fully implemented in 3 years. The FBMS representatives spoke in favor of the new program while acknowledging that it would be a shift in their current teaching practices. Asst. Supt. Martin acknowledged that this program would be a 3 year commitment after which time the program's success would be re-evaluated.

Supt. Granatino stated that this new program is a change to instructional strategies and not educational frameworks.

Mr. Greer requested a demonstration of the paradigm shift. Asst. Supt. Martin stated she would share a video from the Plymouth schools who already use the program. Mr. Greer also questioned how a different teaching style at FBMS would translate to MHS. Asst. Supt. Martin stated that elementary and high school programs have not yet been developed.

MOTION: Mr. Costello moved to apply for the OpenSciEd grant. Mrs. Campbell second. VOTE: 3-0-1 (Greer – Abstain)

IV. FUTURE MEETINGS

A School Committee meeting is scheduled for April 5 at the Seth Ventress Auditorium.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Brait recognized Supt. Granatino and wished him well on his upcoming surgery acknowledging his many contributions to the Marshfield community.

MOTION: Mrs. Campbell moved to adjourn meeting at 7:40. Mr. Costello second. 4-0-0

ROLL CALL

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan M. Pozerski
School Committee Secretary