

**MARSHFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
MARSHFIELD SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING  
SETH VENTRESS BUILDING  
December 19, 2023  
6:30 p.m.**

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

**I. ROLL CALL**

Mrs. Brait	Yes
Mr. Costello	Yes
Mrs. Dargan	Yes
Mr. Greer	Yes
Ms. Stetson	Yes

Also present was Supt. Jeffrey Granatino.

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

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None

**MEA UPDATE**

None

**II. OLD BUSINESS**

**Superintendent Search Process**

Mr. Costello stated how difficult it is to fill the shoes of Supt. Granatino as he has given so much to the children of Marshfield and expressed appreciation of his leadership.

Mrs. Brait recognized the superintendent search committee; stating it was a pleasure to get to know them and she appreciated their varied perspectives. Regarding the 2 final superintendent candidates, she enjoyed seeing Ms. Shannon playing with students and Dr. Sullivan walked through the halls like he was home.

Mr. Greer also recognized the search committee and acknowledge that they left the SC with a difficult decision.

Mrs. Dargan expressed satisfaction that the selection process works and thanked the search committee members. She credited Supt. Granatino with balancing leadership with heart and true caring. Regarding the finalists, Mrs. Dargan saw

genuine caring for students and education in Ms. Shannon. She felt that Dr. Sullivan made easy connections and has a vision for the future.

Ms. Stetson also thanked the search committee. She is looking for Supt. Granatino's best qualities in his replacement. She felt that both candidates put students first in their decisions and emphasized that the new superintendent must concentrate on building relationships.

Mr. Costello further recognized the search committee including: Lara Brait, Amy Scolaro, Karen Hubbard, Dr. Jeanine Smith, Dr. Paula Minichello, Kristin Haddigan, Ben Raymond, Delaney Mayo, Cassidy Laforest, Robert Keuther, Andrew Kolb, and Amy Smith. He stated his opinion that both candidates will move MPSD in a positive direction.

**MOTION:** Mrs. Brait move to appoint Dr. Patrick Sullivan as Marshfield Superintendent effective July 1, 2024. Mr. Greer second. VOTE: 5-0-0

**ROLL CALL**

Mrs. Brait	Yes
Mr. Costello	Yes
Mrs. Dargan	Yes
Mr. Greer	Yes
Ms. Stetson	Yes

**III. FUTURE MEETINGS**

A School Committee meeting is scheduled for January 9 at the Marshfield Early Education Center.

**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Mrs. Brait moved to adjourn the meeting to Executive Session, to discuss superintendent negotiations, not to return to Open Session at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Greer second. VOTE: 5-0-0

**ROLL CALL**

Mrs. Brait	Yes
Mr. Costello	Yes
Mrs. Dargan	Yes
Mr. Greer	Yes
Ms. Stetson	Yes

Meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joan M. Pozerski  
School Committee Secretary