

**MARSHFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
MARSHFIELD SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
MARSHFIELD HIGH SCHOOL
February 27, 2024
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 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.

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.

Mr. Costello requested a moment of silence to honor the recent passing of his grandfather – Gerald Feeley, Mrs. Pozerski's mother – Barbara Garrity, and longtime MPSD teacher and valued former School Committee member Nancy Currie.

MOTION: Mr. Greer moved to adjourn to Executive Session to return to Open Session at 6:36 p.m. Ms. Stetson 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 6:36 p.m.

MOTION: Mr. Greer moved to return to Open Session at 6:57 p.m. Mrs. Dargan second. VOTE: 5-0-0

ROLL CALL

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

SPOTLIGHT ON EXCELLENCE: MHS Mock Trial Team

Ms. Laura Rose and the Mock Trial students presented portions of their competition case to the Committee. Competitions involving opposing other high schools before Massachusetts Bar attorneys. The team has more than 30 members and practices for 5 hours each week.

Mr. Costello commented that this was his favorite Spotlight on Excellence. He told the students to be proud of themselves and to “get comfortable being uncomfortable”.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

None

INFORMATIONAL

Supt. Granatino updated the Committee on the following:

- DWS learning walks highlighted student engagement
- Met with FBMS Green Team who requested cardboard cafeteria trays (in lieu of Styrofoam) and collection of cafeteria food waste. A trial program for cardboard trays and food collection will occur this year
- The FBMS play Willie Wonka Jr. was excellent!

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

- TLA is guiding learning walks at elementary schools
- MHS Art Throwdown was an amazing collaboration between FBMS and MHS artists

Mrs. Scolaro updated the Committee on the following:

- SEPAC is growing
 - Excellent presentation on anxiety
- First meeting for FBMS principal search committee scheduled for 3/4

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

- Budget binders distributed tonight
- Capital budget includes \$168K for SRS ADA and \$75K to replace digital signs at MHS complex
- ELA adoption estimated to receive \$500K in free cash
- Kindergarten registration is only #138 students
- Bus registration opens on 3/1 and closes 3/31

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Greer discussed the proposed SSVT 900 student school building project. Pembroke is investigating joining the district.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Bonnie Owens, 69 Old Main Street, spoke in favor of the secure firearms storage resolution stating that it was supported by MPD Chief Tavares and MPD Nurse Leader Colleen Gadles. She hopes the resolution will raise awareness for safe firearm storage.

Rick Larson, 865 Moraine Street, is a firearms instructor at the Marshfield Rod and Gun Club who supports the safe firearms storage resolution. He feels it is a message of compliance and not defiance.

MEA UPDATE

None

MINUTES

MOTION: Ms. Stetson moved to approve the minutes of October 10, 2023. Mrs. Brait second. VOTE: 5-0-0

MOTION: Mrs. Brait moved to approve the minutes of October 16, 2023. Ms. Stetson second. VOTE: 3-0-2 (Dargan, Greer abstain)

MOTION: Mrs. Dargan moved to approve the minutes of December 5, 2023. Mrs. Brait second. VOTE: 3-0-2 (Stetson, Greer abstain)

MOTION: Ms. Stetson moved to approve the minutes of December 11, 2023. Mrs. Dargan second. VOTE: 4-0-1 (Greer abstain)

MOTION: Mr. Greer moved to approve the minutes of December 19, 2023. Mrs. Brait second. VOTE: 5-0-0

MOTION: Ms. Stetson moved to approve and release the executive session minutes of December 19, 2023. Mrs. Brait second. VOTE: 5-0-0

ROLL CALL

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

MOTION: Ms. Stetson moved to approve the minutes of January 9, 2024. Mrs. Dargan second. VOTE: 3-0-2 (Brait, Greer abstain)

II. OLD BUSINESS

Superintendent Transition Process

Mr. Costello announced that the Committee ratified Dr. Sullivan's contract in executive session with a 5-0-0 vote.

III. NEW BUSINESS

Project 351 Ambassador

FBMS 8th grade student Nicolas Rhot discussed his role as Marshfield's Project 351 ambassador and his plan to involve all schools in clothing collections for Cradles to Crayons.

Mr. Costello commended Nicolas on being a natural leader. Ms. Stetson added that his initiatives will have a huge impact on the FBMS community.

School Committee Resolution

Supt. Granatino discussed the adoption of a resolution promoting safe storage. He spoke to MPD Chief Tavares for his input.

Mr. Costello stressed the important partnership with MPD. He found valuable materials in the packet and thanked Ms. Owens for bringing the resolution forward.

MOTION: Mr. Greer moved to adopt the Safe Storage of Firearms Resolution as amended. Ms. Stetson second. VOTE: 5-0-0

School Committee Meetings 2024 – 2025

Reviewed the 2024-2025 School Committee Meeting Schedule as a 1st read.

Plymouth Area Collaborative (PAC) Agreement Revision

Ms. Stetson highlighted the amazing work done by the collaborative to help the most vulnerable of students. Changes to the agreement include billing for services daily rather than monthly.

MOTION: Mrs. Dargan moved to approve the Plymouth Area Collaborative Agreement. Mrs. Brait second. VOTE: 5-0-0

MSBA Statement of Interest -- Martinson Roof

Asst. Supt. Miller discussed the MSBA SOI for the Martinson 25-year old roof adding that the Select Board unanimously approved the application. A decision from the MSBA is expected in September or October.

MOTION: Mr. Costello moved as resolved, having convened in an open meeting on February 27, 2024 prior to the SOI submission closing date, the School Committee of the Town of Marshfield, in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statement of Interest Form dated 2/22/2024 for the Martinson Elementary School located at 275 Forest Street, Marshfield, MA which describes and explains the following deficiencies and the priority category(s) for which an application may be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future for the replacement of roofing systems and hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting this Statement of Interest Form, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the Town of Marshfield to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority. Mrs. Brait second. VOTE: 5-0-0

IV. FUTURE MEETINGS

A School Committee meeting is scheduled for March 12th at Governor Winslow Elementary School.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Prior to adjournment, Mr. Costello mentioned Supt. Granatino's participation in Golf Fights Cancer. This is the 3rd year Supt. Granatino as golfed and raised funds for the cancer fighting organization.

MOTION: Mrs. Brait moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 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 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Joan M. Pozerski
School Committee Secretary