

Approved: 1/18/18

MARSHFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
MARSHFIELD SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING  
Seth Ventress Auditorium  
December 5, 2017  
7:00 p.m.

Mr. Costello called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**I. ROLL CALL**

Mrs. Boyd	Yes
Mrs. Campbell	Yes
Mr. Greer	Yes
Mr. Costello	Yes
Mrs. Church	Absent

Also present was Supt. Jeffrey Granatino, Asst. Supt. Dr. Ellen Martin, Asst. Supt. Dr. Susan Dupuis Special Education / Pupil Personnel, and Asst. Supt. Business & Finance, Mr. Thomas Miller.

PeaceBuilders Pledge was recited by all.

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

**SPOTLIGHT ON EXCELLENCE**

**SEPAC**

Ms. Melissa Chiano and Ms. Dominique Luciano highlighted the 2017-2018 SEPAC events for the school year. The SEPAC Board has received much positive feedback and is a great resource for parents. The Board is looking to get the word out to as many people as possible through a partnership with Marshfield Public Schools. Committee recommended contact with School Councils.

**PHOTO VOICE**

Mrs. Cantwell and Mrs. Kelly highlighted the photos taken by Marshfield students. Photos were exhibited at the North River Arts Festival with the assistance of the Marshfield Kiwanis. Education is the key to drug prevention.

**II. INFORMATIONAL**

Supt. Granatino updated the Committee on the following:

- Thanks to FBMS PTO: Grades 6, 7 and 8 saw the movie "Wonder"; thanks go out to the Marshfield Education Foundation for helping initiative One Book One School

- MEF released their Grant schedule – Grants are open through March 5, 2018
- Marshfield Drug Task Force is sponsoring a Narcan Training session November 6
- Grade 8 Informational Night at MHS, November 5

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

- Caren Associates sponsored drug awareness presentation to staff
- ELA working with Teaching Learning Alliance
- Title I review documents have been submitted
- Elementary Assessment Committee working on district-wide assessments

Asst. Supt. Dr. Susan Dupuis updated the Committee on the following:

- Five ELL students were interviewed and videotaped talking about their experiences in school

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

- Met with Town Administrator and Town Treasurer on FY'19 Budget; will have documentation to forward to School Committee on January 9, 2018
- Budget Subcommittee met last week
- Entering contract negotiations with MEA
- Transportation bid will be going out shortly – annual increase is usually 3%
- Five Year Financial Plan was reviewed by Leadership Team and will be discussed with Budget Subcommittee shortly
- Two priority items: Elementary Mathematics and MHS 1:1 Chrome Books
- Financial Plan will come to School Committee on January 8 and Budget Public Hearing is January 26.

#### Subcommittee Reports:

Mrs. Campbell noted she is now Chair of Pilgrim Area Collaborative; Congratulations on MHS football team and thanks to Coach Silva for his dedication to our students.

Mr. Costello thanked State Rep. Cantwell for meeting with students today at State House.

Mr. Miller noted St. Patrick's Day 5K is open for registration for the race in March.

#### Student Representative Report: Zach Ettridge & Kate Healy

- MHS Grade 8 Parent Night

- MHS Winter Concert: December 6 & 7
- Footloose auditions
- National Honor Society: December 14
- Beginning of winter sports
- Elementary conferences and book fairs
- Kindergarten Registration: December 6, 2017
- Elementary Food Pantry Drive

### III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

### IV. MINUTES

MOTION: Mr. Greer moved to approve the minutes of November 14, 2017 as written. Mrs. Campbell second. VOTE: 4-0-0.

MOTION: Mr. Greer moved to approve and release Executive Session Minutes of November 14, 2017 as written. Mrs. Campbell second.

VOTE: 4-0-0.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Boyd	Yes	Mr. Greer	Yes
Mrs. Campbell	Yes	Mr. Costello	Yes

### V. OLD BUSINESS

### VI. NEW BUSINESS

Marshfield High School AFS Exchange Trip: Staff member, Patricia Salamone, and two MHS students Brooke Hart and Emma Murphy, explained the upcoming proposed AFS trip to Waterford, Wisconsin. Marshfield AFS families host students from Waterford, Wisconsin. Marshfield has a total of 10-15 students traveling with chaperones for this cultural experience.

MOTION: Mr. Greer moved to approve the Marshfield High School AFS Exchange trip from March 22 through March 25, 2018. Mrs. Campbell second. VOTE: 4-0-0.

MCAS Update: Ms. Laura Tilton, Director of District Data & Accountability, reviewed changes of the Next Generation MCAS as a baseline year. MCAS is one piece of data on our students to guide the district in supporting our students. Massachusetts has moved the bar and the test is more challenging.

Elementary Enrichment Activity Fee: Asst. Superintendent Dr. Ellen Martin reviewed the current tuition and explained the increase of \$10 for the six-week program to cover costs. Marshfield does not charge

parents for supplies. The cost has not increased in eight years.  
Program is for Grades 3 through 5.

MOTION: Mr. Greer moved to increase the Elementary After School Enrichment Program tuition from \$50 to \$60 per student. Mrs. Boyd second. VOTE: 4-0-0.

Director of Special Education & Pupil Personnel: Supt. Granatino noted the retirement of Asst. Superintendent Dr. Susan Dupuis in June, 2018. Supt. Granatino outlined the timeframe for posting the position, interviewing and hiring. The School Committee will meet the candidate on February 6, 2018.

**VII. FUTURE MEETINGS:** January 9, 2018

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: Mr. Greer moved to enter Executive Session, not to return to open session, to conduct strategy session in preparation for collective bargaining negotiations. Mrs. Campbell second.

VOTE: 4-0-0.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Campbell	Yes	Mr. Greer	Yes
Mr. Costello	Yes	Mrs. Boyd	Yes

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruthann Despier  
School Committee Secretary