

Approved: 5/21/19

MARSHFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
MARSHFIELD SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
Seth Ventress Auditorium
April 9, 2019
7:00 p.m.

Mr. Greer 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	Yes

Also present was Supt. Jeffrey Granatino, Dr. Ellen Martin, Asst. Superintendent, Director of Special Education / Pupil Personnel, Ms. Amy Scolaro and Asst. Supt. Business & Finance, Mr. Thomas Miller.

PeaceBuilders Pledge was recited by all.

Mr. Greer 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.

PUBLIC HEARING: SCHOOL CHOICE

Supt. Granatino opened Public Hearing noting per Massachusetts General Law the Marshfield School Committee is required to hold an annual Public Hearing and, by vote, decide whether they wish to allow School Choice in the Marshfield Public School District. Supt. Granatino opened the floor to public comment. Seeing none, Supt. Granatino closed the Public Hearing.

SPOTLIGHT ON EXCELLENCE

The School Committee noted the accomplishments and passion for education by Mrs. Heidi Church. The Committee thanked Mrs. Church and her family for her role on the Committee and Subcommittees.

Senator O'Connor thanked Mrs. Church and presented her with a Citation from the Senate. Rep. Kearney thanked Mrs. Church and presented her with a Citation from the House of Representatives.

Supt. Granatino thanked Mrs. Church for her strong leadership on the Committee and each School Committee member thanked Mrs. Church personally.

Mrs. Church thanked her family and the members of the Committee for the partnerships that have been formed.

II. INFORMATIONAL

Supt. Granatino updated the Committee on the following:

- Superintendent asked for a moment of silence in the passing of one parent (Marcos Santos) and one PK student (Dean Anderson)
- Brown Bag Lunch at Ventress Memorial Library, April 16, 17 & 18
- We are Marshfield program on April 26: Looking for senior parents to volunteer
- Transportation Committee met and will meet again looking at fees and alternatives with a true gauge of ridership. Mrs. Church will stay on the Committee as a parent rep
- Thanks to Dr. Joe Shrand on Drug Story Theater
- Marshfield Education Foundation will be bestowing funds to support teacher's grants with a presentation on May 6

Mrs. Church congratulated Supt. Granatino on being elected as President of MIAA.

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

- Teaching & Learning Alliance filmed at Gov. Winslow School
- EXCEL network wrapped up
- National Assistant Principals week
- Art & Technology

Amy Scolaro updated the Committee on the following:

- Working towards goal of using our resources for the best of all of our students effectively and efficiently

Subcommittee Reports:

Mr. Costello highlighted the Youth & Government conference in Boston. Principal Kemmett also attended. Speaker of the House: Sabrina Holland. Congratulations to all of our students.

Mrs. Church recognized Mrs. Campbell running the Boston Marathon in honor of a MHS Special Education student.

Mrs. Campbell noted building construction by the Collaborative.

Student Representative Report (Caitlyn Powers)

- Art & Tech Show at MHS
- French trip

- California trip
- MCAS
- Grade 8 selection of courses for next year
- Elementary Pizza Bingo Night
- Red Sox Spirit Day: April 9

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Sally Marples, MEA President, thanked Committee and Administration for their support of funding our public schools, and highlighted May 16 'Fund Our Future' rally on Beacon Hill. MTA will provide buses to individuals attending.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

District Life Threatening Allergies Policy: Committee discussed protocols versus guidelines. Policy Subcommittee will work on the format of this new district policy to mirror others voted as district policies.

Mrs. Campbell asked to add 'sesame' under food allergies. Policy will return to Committee on May 21 for a vote.

FY'20 Budget: Administration is currently speaking with Town Hall. There are funds that will be available this fall. Working on further discussions. Committee can vote a final budget number prior to Town Meeting on April 22. We are currently able to meet contractual salary increases, increase in substitute pay, minimal wage requirements, one school nurse, MHS 1:1 Chrome books and transportation contract (3% increase). Vo-Tech tuition is still an unknown; currently have eight applications for vo-tech placement. Current budget number would leave us \$600,000 short. Discussed sick leave buy back. Five-year financial plan is untouched.

Committee voiced their support for the elementary health teacher to be in place this fall, and town moving \$600,000 from the reserve fund.

V. NEW BUSINESS

School Choice:

MOTION: Mr. Costello moved that Marshfield Public Schools be a School Choice District for the 2019-2020 school year. Mrs. Campbell second. VOTE: 0-5-0. (motion failed)

MHA DECA Trip: MHS staff member, Jeremy Stanford, noted MHS DECA students attending Nationals this year in Florida, leaving on

April 25 and returning on May 1. MHS student, Oliver Stafford, discussed Leadership Academies during DECA trip.

MOTION: Mr. Costello moved to approve DECA trip to Orlando, Florida from April 26 through May 1, 2019 as presented. Mrs. Campbell second. VOTE: 5-0-0.

Massachusetts Biliteracy Seal: MHS World Language Department Head, Maura Bulman, presented PowerPoint to Committee highlighting Seal of Biliteracy and its requirements. The State of Biliteracy is administered through the Department of Elementary & Secondary Education. Students must attain a minimum of Intermediate High on the American Council of Teaching Foreign Languages (ACTEL); a score of 4 on an Advanced Placement Exam or I-5 on AAPPL on one of the aligned nationally recognized and readily available assessments approved by the Department.

This is officially offered to high school graduates in 37 states. MHS currently has 22 students in World Language AP. Parent letters will be sent to all students.

MOTION: Mr. Costello moved to approve the State Seal of Biliteracy for MHS graduates beginning in 2019. Mrs. Church second. VOTE: 5-0-0.

MHS 2019-2020 Spanish Exchange Program: Maura Bulman noted this is the seventh exchange visit in Almeria (students missing five school days, but attending school in Almeria, Spain) Dates are April 18 through May 22, 2020. Ms. Bulman showed Committee video of last trip to Almeria, and explained the total immersion experience for our students. MHS students are currently in France.

MOTION: Mr. Costello moved to approve the World Language trip in 2020 as presented. Mrs. Boyd second. VOTE: 5-0-0.

Rugby Boosters: Rugby is looking to mirror what the Football Boosters did last fall with signage that will be put up prior to the rugby match and taken down after the match on James Anderson Field for only one day.

MOTION: Mr. Costello moved to approve the request by the Rugby Boosters for signage at James Anderson Field for one day only. Mrs. Boyd second. VOTE: 5-0-0.

Student Activity Accounts: Mr. Miller reviewed the new Town of Marshfield memorandum from the Treasurer-Collector regarding

Student Activity Accounts for all of our schools. Student Activity Accounts will now be pulled into the Warrant process. Process is a little more difficult for our schools. Annually the Student Activity Accounts from FBMS and MHS will come to the School Committee for a vote to make sure School Committee is aware of all funds. If existing funds are available at the end of the school year, these funds can be applied to student scholarships. We hope to finalize the entire process by June 30, 2019.

Mr. Costello requested adding Youth & Government to the MHS list.

MOTION: Mr. Costello moved to establish all Student Activity Accounts and sub-accounts as presented. Mrs. Campbell second.
VOTE: 5-0-0.

MOTION: Mrs. Campbell moved to vote and approve all excess funds in each Marshfield High School Student Activity sub-account presented may be used for student scholarship purposes as it relates to the activity. Mr. Costello second. VOTE: 5-0-0.

VI. FUTURE MEETINGS

VII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Mr. Costello moved to adjourn meeting at 9:05 p.m. Mrs. Church second. VOTE: 5-0-0.

ROLL CALL:

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruthann Despier
School Committee Secretary