

**MARSHFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
MARSHFIELD SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
SETH VENTRESS BUILDING
July 20, 2021
6:30 p.m.**

Mr. Costello called meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL

Ms. Boyd	Yes
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.

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.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE REORGANIZATION

Mr. Costello thanked the Committee for the opportunity to serve as their Chairperson and looks forward to continuing to work with MPSD under the leadership of a new Chairperson.

MOTION: Mr. Greer moved to suspend Roberts Rules of Order and appoint Supt. Granatino chair. Mrs. Campbell second. VOTE: 5-0-0.

ROLL CALL:

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

MOTION: Mr. Costello nominated Mrs. Brait as the Chairperson of the SC. Mrs. Campbell second. VOTE: 5-0-0.

ROLL CALL:

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

MOTION: Mrs. Brait moved to reinstate Roberts Rules of Order. Mrs. Campbell second. VOTE: 5-0-0.

ROLL CALL:

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

MOTION: Mrs. Campbell nominated Ms. Boyd as the Vice Chair of the SC. Mr. Greer second. VOTE: 5-0-0.

ROLL CALL:

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

MOTION: Mrs. Campbell nominated Mr. Greer as the Secretary of the SC. Mr. Costello second. VOTE: 5-0-0.

ROLL CALL:

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

SPOTLIGHT ON EXCELLENCE: FBMS One Book One School Initiative

Principal Kemmett & Asst. Principal Lisa Lynch presented a slide show on the One Book One School (OBOS) initiative at FBMS. The program promotes literacy along with a sense of unity and community within their building. The book selection for the 9th year of the initiative is Squint by Chad Morris and Shelly Brown. Squint incorporates many life lessons including seeing the good in those around you. Book talks are scheduled for parents on 8/11 and students on 8/12. Following their presentation, a copy of Squint was presented to all SC members and Superintendents.

Mrs. Brait expressed gratitude that all who work at FBMS are involved in the OBOS initiative. Mrs. Campbell added that the themes of the book include situations that parents also encounter. Mr. Costello expressed his excitement waiting for each years' OBOS selection.

INFORMATIONAL

Supt. Granatino updated the Committee on the following:

- Over the past few weeks, the exterior of the Ventress Building was painted
- LED lighting will be installed at FBMS thanks to town funding

- Conversations continue with SSVT and Supt. Hickey regarding steps needed to enter a partnership with them. Becoming a member school requires a vote at Town Meeting
- MPSD chose not to wear masks during summer school. For the fall, current state guidance is that masks and distancing will not be required
- MHS football planning 1st responders night for 9/10
- Principal MacNeil had meet and greet with teachers and planning a popsicle gathering with students on 7/22

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

- Elementary staff worked with Looney Math Consultants on scope and sequence for year
- Elementary staff also worked with Teaching & Learning Alliance on writing scope and sequence for the year
- SEL team members participating in sessions with CASEL
- Elementary summer step-up program started 7/20 with #100 students participating over 2 sessions
 - Boys & Girls Club providing some camp opportunities for those students

Director of Special Education/Pupil Personnel Ms. Scolaro updated the Committee on the following:

- ESY program is underway for K-22 for #146 students and runs from 7/6 through 8/12 (4.5 hours/day)
- Mix of academic and social experiences
- Talent show scheduled for 8/12 at MHS at 9:00

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

- Closing out FY21
- MUNIS (new accounting/personnel/payroll system) expected live dates: 7/1/22 (accounting system) and 1/1/23 (payroll system)

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

None

STUDENT PARTICIPATION

None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Sarah Marples, MEA President, The Association is concerned with the increase in numbers of COVID cases. Members will be polled as to what worked well last year and what did not to have an emergency plan in place.

Ashleigh MacKinnon, 184 Valley Path, spoke on behalf of more than 200 families. DESE is leaning toward re-masking and allowing each district to decide. Ms. MacKinnon urges the SC to allow parents to decide. Please choose parental choice.

Eric Kelley, Peterson Path, congratulated Mrs. Brait on her new role and Supt. Granatino on his contract extension. He agrees with Mrs. MacKinnon that masking should be parental choice.

Kate Carr, 221 Hampstead Way, homeschooled her 3 sons last year. Regarding diversity and equality, concern that facts are taught and not controversial opinions. Are there any plans to hire an equity teacher?

MINUTES

MOTION: Mr. Greer moved to approve the minutes of June 22, 2021 as amended. Mr. Costello second. VOTE: 5-0-0

MOTION: Mr. Costello moved to approve and release the Executive Session minutes of June 22, 2021. Mrs. Campbell second. VOTE: 5-0-0.

ROLL CALL

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

II. OLD BUSINESS

MPSD Leadership Retreat

Supt. Granatino highlighted the work accomplished by leadership including:

- Highlighting strengths found last year and building on those
- Ways to meet students'/staff's needs
- Identifying "potential" and what it takes to meet each student's potential
- Highlighting the technology in the classroom that worked well
- Focusing on supports needed for students
- Budget review
 - Brainstorming ideas on how best to invest ESSER funds
- "New Better" – incorporate what worked

III. NEW BUSINESS

Substitute Rates

Asst. Supt. Miller presented current and proposed substitute rates. The proposed increase would amount to approximately \$46,000/year. Asst. Supt. Miller amended the proposed sub-custodian rate in the packed from \$18 to \$20 based on ongoing contract negotiations.

Mr. Greer asked if the increase would take effect immediately. Asst. Supt. Miller stated that the rate change would take effect 9/1/21. Mr. Greer stated he would abstain from vote as his children are MPSD substitutes.

MOTION: Mr. Costello moved to approve the proposed substitute rates as amended. Mrs. Campbell second. VOTE: 4-0-1 (Greer abstain)

MCTV Update

Jonathan Grabowski of MCTV updated the SC on their collaboration with MPSD and the community. They are currently in the 7th year of a 10 year lease at MHS and 13th year of an internship partnership with MHS. A grant program is available to MPSD educators up to \$5,000/year. The elementary innovation specialist applied for the grant and purchased a drone. During FY21 there were #8,000 hours of community programming including #93 sporting events, NHS Induction, Senior Night Outside, Senior Awards, Music Awards, and Graduation.

Ms. Boyd expressed appreciation for the partnership with MPSD and thanks that MCTV was able to share what was happening in schools with the community. Mrs. Brait added that MCTV is an essential community resource.

IV. FUTURE MEETINGS

A School Committee meeting is scheduled for August 24, 2021 at 6:30.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Prior to adjournment, Mr. Costello mentioned a number of MPSD staff riding the PMC (including Steve Waisgerber, Jeff Dunn, and Carl Howerton) and their fundraising event at Rexicana on August 4th. MHS teacher Steve Waisgerber is riding in honor of former MHS student David Moeykens who lost his battle with Glioblastoma in June.

MOTION: Ms. Boyd moved to adjourn meeting at 8:17. Mr. Costello second.

ROLL CALL

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan M. Pozerski
School Committee Secretary