

**Marlington Local School District Board of Education (Wednesday, March 16, 2022)**

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**A. CALL TO ORDER**

The Marlington Board of Education met on March 16, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Marlington High School for a Regular meeting. Karen Humphries, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Alliance and Invocation.

**Roll Call**

Those present and answering the roll call were:

- Josh Hagan
- Karen Humphries
- Cathy Krupko
- Mark Ryan
- Jonathan Swift

**Reading of Mission Statement**

Josh Hagan read the Mission Statement.

**39.22 Adoption of Meeting Agenda**

Josh Hagan moved to adopt the meeting agenda for March 16, 2022. The motion was seconded by Mark Ryan.

Discussion items and changes:

New Business item: New Business item #3 add Policy 0145 to Old business second reading; add Nexus update; add Levy Discussion; add motion to add the board meetings added to district website master calendar

Mr. Hagan	Yes
Mr. Ryan	Yes
Mrs. Humphries	Yes
Mrs. Krupko	Yes
Mr. Swift	Yes

Motion passed.

**Public Participation**

Recommended Action: The board will follow the rules for public participation set forth in policy po169.1.

No requests received for public participation.

**Special Presentations**

March Students of the Month High School Elk Students of the Month: Andrea Dager, daughter of Dennis and Corina Dager. Samuel Dine, son of Rich and Karla Dine. Middle School Students of the Month: Carlee Rhome, daughter of Brian and Laura Rhome. Cole Hunter, son of Seth and Alicia Hunter. Elementary Kiwanis Student of the Month: Lexington Elementary - Lyla Braden, daughter of Jason and Amanda Braden. Marlboro Elementary - Nora Krabill, daughter of Rachel and Jonathan Krabill. Washington Elementary - Cayden Higgins, son of Anthony Higgins and Katie Higgins.

Transportation Update - Mrs. Sheri Sickles

Recognized Tom Mather, head mechanic, Master School Bus Technician Certification; overview of Bus Rodeo competition; Driver Certification; largest school district in Stark County (by square miles); 27 Bus routes; 2,000 miles for daily routes; Cost \$2.93 per mile and \$745.00 per student; cost of \$29,351 each assigned bus; Cost to put a bus on the road is \$50,000; County bidding for fuel pricing (Sept. \$2.26 - March \$3.63) averages \$2.68; last school year \$57,700 gallons of diesel fuel purchased; ten years ago over 70,000 gallons; fleet rotation - 10 years for buses - sub for additional two years; Awarded \$135,000 for the purchase of buses;

Discussion: BOE/Transportation

Average miles for each bus is 60-80 miles; Average of 70,000 miles per bus across the fleet; Driver shortage;

Curriculum Update - Mrs. Renee Kaley

Students (Grade 5-7) participated in a math tournament; Thanked teachers for the time each devoted to preparing the students; Overview of the categories and results.

Principals presented overview of math adoption process, Goal one - academic growth; PBIS and MTSS

## **B. OLD BUSINESS**

### **40.22 New/Revised/Deleted Board Policies - 2nd Reading**

Jonathan Swift moved to approve the following resolutions from VOLUME 40, NO. 2 - JANUARY 2022 as listed: Policy Numbers: po1439 - Holidays po1616 - Staff Dress and Grooming po2271 - College Credit Plus Program (Revised) po2370.01 - Blended Learning (Revised) po3216 - Staff Dress and Grooming (Revised) po4216 - Staff Dress and Grooming (Revised) po4439 - Holidays po5511 - Dress and Grooming (Revised) po5772 - Weapons (Revised) po6110 - Grant Funds (Revised) po6114 - Cost Principles - Spending Federal Funds (Revised) po6325 - Procurement - Federal Grants/Funds (Revised) po6423 - Use of Credit Cards (Revision) po7217 - Weapons (Revised) po8500 - Food Services (Revised) and 0145 Filling a Board Vacancy

The motion was seconded by Mark Ryan.

Mr. Swift	Yes
Mr. Ryan	Yes
Mr. Hagan	Yes
Mrs. Humphries	Yes
Mrs. Krupko	Yes

Motion passed.

Finance Committee Report (Part 2) - Mr. Mark Ryan

Finance Committee met in February. Details of the discussion included budget reductions of \$275,000 in reductions for this current school year through attrition, resignations, and retirements. Akron Children's hospital covered the cost of a trainer at about \$30,000. Dr. Mike, Dr. Main, and Dan Swisher are formulating what cuts are going to look like by June. Career Tech is a cost to this district which consists of nine teachers high school classrooms, horticulture buildings and grounds. This is \$741,677 in staffing and the cost of running the associated buildings. Districts without career tech participate in a Joint Vocational District pay a 2 mil levy to participate. Building repairs (five-year strategic plan) to include major repairs with 1.6 million coming from the operating budget towards capital improvements. Part of the 1.6 million is used to pay for the Washington-Lexington loan for upgrades. The loan, high school roof (3.5 million) and additional elementary repairs equals 9.6 million during the next five years. We need the levy to take care of our buildings and major repairs of a high school roof (3.5 million) and a wastewater treatment plant (\$700,000). Building operations costs were reviewed to include a savings of \$310,000 moving from three to two buildings; \$760,000 moving from three to one building. Additional discussions included moving to grade-level buildings. Our current enrollment is 1930 students. State funding is staying constant through this biennial budget. Our enrollment would need to increase by about 600 students for increased state funding. Levy Campaign kick off soon.

Steve Miller, athletic director, was thanked for securing the grant funding for an Athletic Trainer from Akron Children's Hospital

Discussion:  
Requests a breakdown of the one-third of teacher cuts. Previously, 20 teachers and 17 staff were discussed in the past. The 40 possible teachers may from the comment from Dr. Main that 3.3 million dollars cuts is equal to 40 teachers as an illustration of how deep cuts would be to make up the deficit. Deficit of 1.9 million starts next year and goes up to 2.8 in future years. Dr. Shreffler

## **C. NEW BUSINESS**

### **41.22 Bus Grant**

Mark Ryan moved to approve the purchase of two, 77 passenger, International buses from dealer stock at \$93,344 each, from Truck Sales and Service through Stark County School's COG bid dated March 2022. Based on availability, parts supply, and pricing this is lowest responsible bid for Marlington Local School District. The district has been awarded \$135,000 in the School Bus Purchase Program to purchase and replace 3 route buses. The motion was seconded by Cathy Krupko.

Mr. Ryan Yes  
Mrs. Krupko Yes  
Mr. Hagan Yes  
Mrs. Humphries Yes  
Mr. Swift Yes

Motion passed.

**42.22 High School Indoor Track**

Josh Hagan moved to approve High School Indoor Track to be recognized by the Board of Education, but not as an official sport at no cost to the district. The motion was seconded by Jonathan Swift.

Mr. Hagan Yes  
Mr. Swift Yes  
Mrs. Humphries Yes  
Mrs. Krupko Yes  
Mr. Ryan Yes

Motion passed.

**43.22 Open Enrollment (Intra-District) and Open Enrollment (Inter-District)**

Josh Hagan moved that the board continues participation in the intra-district open enrollment program (Policy 5113.01) for the 2022-2023 school year for grades Kindergarten through fifth (K-5) and continues participation in the inter-district open enrollment program (Policy 5113) for the 2022-2023 school year for grades K-12. The motion was seconded by Mark Ryan.

Mr. Hagan Yes  
Mr. Ryan Yes  
Mrs. Humphries Yes  
Mrs. Krupko Yes  
Mr. Swift Yes

Motion passed.

**44.22 Resolution Regarding Local Government Services**

Josh Hagan moved to approve the resolution regarding the agreement with Local Government Services (LGS) to compile the annual financial statements for Marlinton Local School District for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022 as presented in Exhibit B. The motion was seconded by Mark Ryan.

Mr. Hagan Yes  
Mr. Ryan Yes  
Mrs. Humphries Yes  
Mrs. Krupko Yes  
Mr. Swift Yes

Motion passed.

**45.22 Service Vehicle**

Jonathan Swift moved to approve the purchase of a service vehicle for Marlinton Local Schools not to exceed \$49,000. The motion was seconded by Mark Ryan.

Mr. Swift Yes  
Mr. Ryan Yes  
Mr. Hagan Yes  
Mrs. Humphries Yes  
Mrs. Krupko Yes

Motion passed.

**46.22 Software Purchase**

Jonathan Swift moved to approve the purchase of the Goalbook Software Program for Marlinton Local Schools for the 2022-23 and 2023-24 schools years through the ARP Special Education Grant. The motion was seconded by Mark Ryan.

Mr. Swift	Yes
Mr. Ryan	Yes
Mr. Hagan	Yes
Mrs. Humphries	Yes
Mrs. Krupko	Yes

Motion passed.

**47.22 Tax Rates**

Josh Hagan moved to approve the resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the budget commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the county auditor as presented in Exhibit D. The motion was seconded by Jonathan Swift.

Mr. Hagan	Yes
Mr. Swift	Yes
Mrs. Humphries	Yes
Mrs. Krupko	Yes
Mr. Ryan	Yes

Motion passed.

**D. TREASURER'S AGENDA - Dr. Patty A. Main**

**48.22 Minutes**

Cathy Krupko moved to approve the minutes of the following meetings: February 17, 2022. The motion was seconded by Jonathan Swift.

Mrs. Krupko	Yes
Mr. Swift	Yes
Mr. Hagan	Yes
Mrs. Humphries	Yes
Mr. Ryan	Yes

Motion passed.

**49.22 Minutes - Amended**

Josh Hagan moved to amend the December 16th, 2021 meeting minutes as presented in Exhibit F. The motion was seconded by Mark Ryan.

Mr. Hagan	Yes
Mr. Ryan	Yes
Mr. Hagan	Yes
Mrs. Humphries	Yes
Mrs. Krupko	Yes

Motion passed.

**50.22 Financial Reports**

Mark Ryan moved to approve the financial reports and overview of receipts and expenditures for the period ending February 28, 2022. The motion was seconded by Jonathan Swift.

Mr. Ryan	Yes
Mr. Swift	Yes
Mr. Hagan	Yes
Mrs. Humphries	Yes
Mrs. Krupko	Yes

Motion passed.

#### **51.22 Donations**

Jonathan Swift moved to approve the following donations for March 2022 as presented in Exhibit . Aldersgate United Methodist Church, \$565 (Donation to Lexington Elementary to be used for the Rox Program). William Koch, \$100 (Donation to the Marlinton High School Softball Team). The motion was seconded by Cathy Krupko.

Mr. Swift	Yes
Mrs. Krupko	Yes
Mr. Hagan	Yes
Mrs. Humphries	Yes
Mr. Ryan	Yes

Motion passed.

### **E. PERSONNEL**

#### **52.22 Administrative Staff**

Josh Hagan moved to approve the following administrative contracts: John "Yianni" Spondyl, Elementary School Principal, 8/1/2022 to 7/31/2025. Michael Farrell, High School Principal, 8/1/2022 to 7/31/2025. The motion was seconded by Jonathan Swift.

Mr. Hagan	Yes
Mr. Swift	Yes
Mrs. Humphries	Yes
Mrs. Krupko	Yes
Mr. Ryan	Yes

Motion passed.

#### **53.22 Supplemental Staff**

Mark Ryan moved to hire the following supplemental staff for the 2021-2022 school year, verification of satisfactory credentials and BCI/ FBI checks as required: Leah Springer, Softball coaches aide, effective March 16, 2022. Missy Graham, Boys Track (0.5), step 3, effective March 16, 2022. Mary Double, Middle School Track, step 1, effective March 16, 2022. Alyssa Ragozzino, Softball Volunteer Coach. The motion was seconded by Jonathan Swift.

Mr. Ryan	Yes
Mr. Swift	Yes
Mr. Hagan	Yes
Mrs. Humphries	Yes
Mrs. Krupko	Yes

Motion passed.

#### **54.22 Supplemental Changes**

Jonathan Swift moved to approve the following pay changes effective immediately: Austin Digby, Girls Track, from 0.5 to 1.0, step 1. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Krupko.

Mr. Swift Yes  
Mrs. Krupko Yes  
Mr. Hagan Yes  
Mrs. Humphries Yes  
Mr. Ryan Yes

Motion passed.

## **F. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**55.22 Executive Session** Time In: 8:45 p.m. Time out: 9:37 p.m.

Mark Ryan moved for the Marlinton Local School District Board of Education ("Board") to recess into executive session pursuant to R.C. 121.22(G)(1) to consider the employment/evaluation of a public employee and (G5) for matters required to be kept confidential by federal law, federal rules, or state statutes. All matters discussed in this executive session are designated to the public officials and employees as confidential pursuant to R.C. 102.03(B) because of the status of the proceedings and/or the circumstances under which the information will be received, and preserving its confidentiality is necessary to the proper conduct of government business. Following executive session, no action is expected. The motion was seconded by Cathy Krupko.

Mr. Ryan Yes  
Mrs. Krupko Yes  
Mr. Hagan Yes  
Mrs. Humphries Yes  
Mr. Swift Yes

Motion passed.

## **G. NEXT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

Next Board meeting is moved from April 21, 2022 to Tuesday, April 19th at 7pm in the High School DLZ.

## **H. ADJOURNMENT**

**56.22 Adjourn**

Jonathan Swift moved to adjourn at 9:38 p.m. The motion was seconded by Cathy Krupko.

Mr. Swift Yes  
Mrs. Krupko Yes  
Mr. Hagan Yes  
Mrs. Humphries Yes  
Mr. Ryan Yes

Motion passed.

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Karen Humphries, Board President

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Patty Main, Treasurer