

**Marlington Local School District Board of Education (Thursday, February 16, 2023)**

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**A. CALL TO ORDER**

The Marlington Local Board of Education met on February 16, 2023 at the Marlington High School for a regular meeting. Karen Humphries, Board President called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m followed by:

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Invocation - Bob Foss

3. Roll Call

Those present and answering the roll call were:

Josh Hagan

Karen Humphries

Cathy Krupko

Mark Ryan

Jonathan Swift

Nash Minor (Student Rep.) - Not present

4. Reading of Mission Statement - Ms. Cathy Krupko

5. Additions or Corrections to the Agenda - None

**23.23 Adoption of Meeting Agenda**

Jonathan Swift moved and Cathy Krupko seconded the motion that the Marlington Local Board of Education adopt the following agenda for February 16, 2023.

Mark Ryan Yes

Josh Hagan Yes

Karen Humphries Yes

Cathy Krupko Yes

Jonathan Swift Yes

Motion Passed.

**24.23 Executive Session:** Time in: 6:03 p.m. Time Out: 6:29 p.m.

Jonathan Swift moved and Josh Hagan seconded the motion that the Marlington Local Board of Education ("Board") to recess into executive session pursuant to R.C. 121.22(G)(3) Conferences with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending court action. 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.

Mark Ryan Yes

Josh Hagan Yes

Karen Humphries Yes

Cathy Krupko Yes

Jonathan Swift Yes

Motion Passed.

Nash Minor entered the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Public Participation - None

**Special Presentations**

The following students were recognized:

December Students of the Month:

High School Elk Students of the Month: Lexi Miller, daughter of Stephanie Castina and Michael Miller. Jordan Beggs, son of Doug and Christy Beggs.

Middle School Students of the Month: Kadence Bernard, daughter of David and Holly Bernard. Dustin Jones, grandson of Jeffrey and Diane Blazer.

Elementary Kiwanis Student of the Month:

Lexington Elementary - Kaleb Taylor, son of Amy Lenigar and Cory Taylor.

Marlboro Elementary - Angel Diaz Moncada, son of Maritza Moncada and Armando Diaz.

Washington Elementary - Ryleigh Cannon, daughter of Kristin Bellay.

OSBA presentation - Mrs. Cathy Krupko

Ms. Krupko provided an update regarding Ohio School Boards Association items, noting the following:

2024 Ohio Teacher of the Year nominations are open. Governor DeWine's budget recommendations include a continued phase-in of the Fair School Funding Plan and he would like to all public and private schools funding for school resource officers. He is

looking to provide \$100 million to launch a new 'in demand' career-tech program, increase eligibility for Ed-Choice school vouchers to 400% of the poverty level and provide additional college credit plus funding for additional teachers at public schools.

#### Student Board Representative Report - Nash Minor

Nash Minor provided an update of the Marlinton student body for the month, noting the following:

Academics: Academic Challenge has an upcoming event at Mount Union; the ROX group, which teaches girls about affirmation and strength, did a self-defense training last week. NHS tapping will be next week. Team Trevor night was a big success. School council had the winter formal after the basketball game which was well received.

Band and Choir - solo and ensemble last January: earned 16 'superior' ratings. The band has new uniforms.

The musical 'Annie' will be March 16 through March 19th.

Cheerleaders were EBC runner-up and qualified for the State meet.

The bowling team has won 5 games, the wrestling team finished the season 16-5, and 6 Marlinton wrestlers are state-ranked.

The girls basketball team is ranked 7th in the state; the swim team has broken three records this year, and three girls are ranked in the state.

#### Curriculum Update - Mrs. Renee Kaley

Renee Kaley presented the following items:

- A status update of the One-Plan
  - Goal 1 - Academic: That 100% of students will show a year's worth of growth. Compared to last year's benchmarking, Marlinton is seeing significant growth.
  - Goal 2 - Climate and Conditions: By May 2024 Marlinton will focus on meeting the needs of the whole child using a multi-tiered system for support. Ms. Kaley explained this goal as ensuring 100% of students' non-academic needs are also met and they have the support they need to be successful. The district recently went through an 'inventory' by State Support Team #9 to assess the district's intervention offerings. This goal also includes ensuring district alignment to a common agenda.
- K-12 Guaranteed Student Experience

#### Superintendent's Report - Mr. Dan Swisher

Dan Swisher presented the following update:

Marlinton has reasons to celebrate:

- Last week was food counselor and food service week. Mr. Swisher complimented Marlinton's counselors and food service staff members and expressed gratitude for their service.

Mr. Swisher reviewed the responses received from a community survey and noted that the results of the survey would be posted to the district website. Survey respondents indicated that the two greatest challenges facing the district are 'finances' and 'building facilities'.

Mr. Swisher explained that the Nexus pipeline lawsuit was thrown out, but Lorain County has 30 days to appeal the decision. If not appealed, it will go back to the previous settlement agreement as was discussed last summer, which would bring in over \$2 million a year. After the appeal the expectation has been to receive about \$1.3 million per year going forward. Marlinton will receive an estimated \$838,493.70 in back payments plus interest if the decision is not appealed. Mr. Swisher noted that, when money is received from the pipeline, it is moved into the capital improvement fund for as intended by the board. Mr. Swisher noted that this money provides an opportunity to make capital improvements and needed repairs to buildings and that Marlinton has not had new money in 22+ years.

## **B. OLD BUSINESS - None**

## **C. NEW BUSINESS**

### **25.23 Bullying Report for 1st half of the 2022-23 School Year**

Mr. Swisher reported that there were three reported incidents in the K-12 buildings as presented in Exhibit A:

### **26.23 Out of State Field Trip**

Jonathan Swift moved and Mr. Hagan seconded the motion to approve an out of state field trip for the girls softball team to Pigeon Forge, TN as shown in the Exhibit.

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

Motion Passed.

### **27.23 Open Enrollment (Inter-District)**

Karen Humphries moved and Cathy Krupko seconded the motion that the board continues participation in the intra-district open enrollment program (Policy 5113.01) for the 2023-24 school year for grades K-5.

Jonathan Swift	Yes
Mark Ryan	Yes
Josh Hagan	Yes

Karen Humphries Yes  
Cathy Krupko Yes

Motion Passed.

**28.23 Open Enrollment (Intra-District)**

Jonathan Swift moved and Cathy Krupko seconded the motion that the board continues participation in the inter-district open enrollment program (Policy 5113) for the 2023-24 school year for grades K-12.

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

Motion Passed.

**D. TREASURER'S AGENDA**

**29.23 Minutes**

Cathy Krupko moved and Jonathan Swift seconded the motion that the Marlinton Local Board of Education approve the minutes of the following meeting(s) as shown in the Exhibits: January 12, 2023 Organizational Meeting, January 12, 2023 Regular Meeting.

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

Motion Passed.

**30.23 Financial Reports**

Jonathan Swift moved and Cathy Krupko seconded the motion to approve the financial reports for the periods ending January 31, 2023 as shown in the Exhibits:

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

Motion passed.

**31.23 Revenue and Appropriations**

Cathy Krupko moved and Jonathan Swift seconded the motion to approve the revenue and appropriation revisions as presented in the Exhibits:

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

Motion passed.

**32.23 Donations**

Cathy Krupko moved and Josh Hagan seconded the motion to approve the following donations: Ms. Leslie Cherry, Lexington Library, \$50.00; Mrs. Humphries, books for libraries and classrooms, \$270.00.

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

Motion passed.

**E. PERSONNEL**

**33.23 Consent Agenda for Personnel action items 1-7**

Josh Hagan moved and Cathy Krupko seconded the motion to approve action items 1-7

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

Motion passed.

Action: 1. Certified Retirement

Recommended Action: Recommend the motion to accept the retirement of Kristan Croft, 4th grade teacher, effective the end of the 2022-23 school year.

Action: 2. Certified Resignation

Recommended Action: Recommend the motion to approve the certified resignation of Trisha Moore, Title 1 Tutor, effective January 16, 2023.

Action: 3. Classified Resignation

Recommended Action: Recommend the motion to approve the classified resignation of Austin Digby, Tech Assistance, effective February 17, 2023.

Action: 4. Supplemental Resignation

Recommended Action: Recommend the motion to approve the supplemental resignation of Austin Digby, Track Coach, effective February 17, 2023.

Action: 5. Classified Staff Hire

Recommended Action: Recommend the motion to approve the following classified staff hires pending verification of satisfactory credentials and BCI/ FBI checks as required: Tammy Louwerens, cafeteria monitor; Niyada Gartenbush, custodian.

Action: 6. Supplemental Hires

Recommended Action: Recommend the motion to hire the following supplemental positions:

Riley James, assistant baseball coach, step 1  
Anthony Ingram, assistant softball coach, volunteer  
Stephanie Coblenz, assistant softball coach (JV Head Coach), step 1  
Mark Knopick, assistant baseball coach, step 3  
Lane Knoch, assistant varsity track coach, step 1  
Mary Double, ms track coach, step 1  
Leah Springer, jv softball coach's aide, \$750

Action: 7. Classified Substitute Hires

Recommended Action: Recommend the motion to hire the following substitutes for the 2022-23 school year pending verification of satisfactory credentials and BCI/FBI checks as required: Joseph McCoy, Susan Feiock, Heather Rice, Renee McGrath.

**34.23 Executive Session** Time in: 7:54 p.m. Time Out: 8:58 p.m.

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

## F. Announcements

### G. Upcoming Events

Recommended Action: Please visit our website, marlingtonlocal.org, and click on the "athletics" tab for a full listing of our sports teams schedules.

February 20, 2023 - No School/ President's Day

March 1, 2023 - MS/HS Band Concert

March 16-19, 2023 - HS Musical

March 24, 2023 - End of the 3rd nine weeks

## H. NEXT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

The next Board of Education Meeting was announced for: March 15, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

## I. ADJOURNMENT

**35.23 Adjourn**

Jonathan Swift moved and Cathy Krupko seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.

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

Motion passed.

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Karen Humphries, Board President

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Robert Foss, Treasurer