

Board of Education - Regular Meeting
816 E. Grant Hwy., Marengo, IL 60152
March 21, 2018

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Marengo-Union CSD 165, McHenry County, Illinois, was called to order by President, Greg Wright at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 21, 2018 in Room 10, 816 E. Grant Highway, Marengo, Illinois.

ROLL CALL

The following members were present and responded to roll call: Mr. Czepczynski, John Wyrstek, Jude Castro and Greg Wright. Members Absent: Lesley Pace, Barb Dochterman and Matt Erbstoesser.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Greg Wright

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

7.13 Health Insurance Rates

COMMUNICATION AND RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Greg Wright welcomed staff members and Police Officer Fritz to the meeting.

CITIZEN'S FORUM

None

LEADERSHIP REPORT

Tracy Beam, Principal of Marengo Middle School along with Officer Fritz discussed safety in our schools and lock down procedures.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Damisch reported on the following:

Summer Building Projects: Discussed bleacher replacement on south side of gym.

Science Curriculum Adoption: Presentation and cost information was presented on a new 3rd through 5th grade science curriculum which would bring the science standards and curriculum up to date and align with STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math).

Music Curriculum Adoption: Report on adopting a new music curriculum for grades K-5. District music teacher, Stephanie Johnson has highly recommended that this curriculum package be used.

Professional Evaluation Plan: Report on how the stratification of the final overall teacher rating has changed with the implementation of the new teacher evaluation plan.

Professional Development Survey: District teaching staff received a professional development survey to help in the planning process for next school year's teacher training/institute days. The main topic will be writing in addition to incorporating some additional recommendations into the professional development calendar.

Winter MAP: MAP scores were shared with the board.

PARCC-County Wide: Information on the County Wide PARCC scores were discussed. Some of the items discussed were per pupil spending, average class size, students with disabilities and student mobility were among some of the topic discussed.

Bus Purchase: Information on bus bid and cost for board approval.

IMRF Audit: The district has undergone an IMRF audit, at the completion there were two Resolutions needing board approval. All other portions of the audit were very good.

Personnel Report:

Brett Axelson	Resignation-Head Coach-boys track	
Dan Meale	Hire-Head Coach-Boys Track/2017-2018	Per Coaching Stipend Schedule
Susan Anthony	Head Coach – Girls Softball	Per Coaching Stipend Schedule
Linda Bretttschneider	Long Term Substitute Teacher	\$100.00 per day - \$135.00 per day beginning on the 11 th consecutive day worked
Amanda Owen	Voluntary Resignation-4 th Grade Teacher	
Ginger Johnson	Retire	
Haley Gifford	Hire - .5 Music Teacher	Per 2018-2019 Salary Schedule
Rachel Kramer	Hire Reading Specialist Teacher	Per 2018-2019 Salary Schedule
Stephanie Kuzelka	Hire 1 st Grade Teacher	Per 2018-2019 Salary Schedule
Alex Castellanos	Summer Tech Support	\$11.25 per hour
1.Maureen Hart 2.Melanie Kill 3.Tonya Metras	Locust Jump Start Teachers (3)	\$28.01 per hour
1.Carol Johnson 2.Ruth Dannehy 3.Diane Otten	Locust Jump Start Paraprofessionals (3)	Employees’ current hrly. rate
1. Ellen Masessa 2. Terri Hallstein	Grant Jump Start Teachers (2)	\$28.01 per hour
1. Deb Pfeiffer 2. Roberta Simons	Grant Jump Start Paraprofessionals (2)	Employees’ current hrly. rate
1.Elizabeth Sheriff 2. Kristina Benda	MCMS Jump Start Teachers (2)	\$28.01 per hour
1.Denise Bittenbender 2. TBD	MCMS Jump Start Paraprofessionals (2)	Employees’ current hrly. rate
Elizabeth Sheriff	Resignation-8 th Grade Girls Basketball Coach	
Makayla Pfeiffer	Resignation-Paraprofessional	
Roberta Simons	Reassign to Grant/MCMS Paraprofessional	Employees’ current hrly. rate

Summer Custodians

MCMS/Grant	Locust
1. Sue Polnow	1. Jessica Turner
2. Robert Lopez	2. Joshua Streu
3. Andrew Erbstoesser	Painters/Floater
4. Lillie Simons	1. Amber Fillmore
5. Makayla Pfeiffer	2. Ally Fillmore

Reduction in Force: There are three employees who will receive an Honorable Reduction in Force letter that need Board approval.

Health Insurance: Health Insurance premiums effective July 1, 2018 – HMO premiums went down 5.0% and PPO premiums increased 2.9%.

BOARD DISCUSSION

No Board Discussion

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Jude Castro and seconded by Rick Czepczynski to approve the Consent Agenda Items. In a roll call vote members voting aye: Jude Castro, Rick Czepczynski, John Wyrostek and Greg Wright. Members Absent: Lesley Pace, Barb Dochterman, Matt Erbstoesser

- Minutes of the February 21, 2018 Regular and Executive Session
- February, 2018 Treasurer’s Report, April, 2018 Payroll and March, 2018 Accts. Payable
- Replacement of Bleachers-BR Bleachers at a cost of \$47,536.00
- Science Curriculum-Amplify Science at a cost of \$73,506.48
- Music Curriculum K-5 at a cost of \$7,700.00
- Bus Purchase-Midwest Transit Equipment at a cost of \$84,732.00 with no trade-in
- IMRF Resolutions-Sections 125 and Health Earnings
- Personnel Report
- Resolution-Reduction in Force

CLOSED SESSION

No Closed Session

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business at this Regular Meeting of the Board of Education, John Wyrostek moved seconded by Judd Castro, the motion carried unanimously, and at 8:30 p.m. President, Greg Wright declared the Regular Meeting adjourned.

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