## MARION CENTRAL SCHOOL

4034 Warner Road, Marion, NY 14505

Regular Board of Education Meeting

# October 2, 2023 – 6:00 PM

Marion Jr.-Sr. High School Library

The Inn at Saratoga, 231 Broadway, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** M. Kuelling R. Marshall, J. Monroe, and J. Reesor

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** A. Taber

**ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:** S. Dehn, K. Kellerhouse (Intern), M. Levi, E. Lloyd (via

Zoom), C. Steiner, R. Walker and D. Wise

GUESTS: Guest Register

A1. CALL TO ORDER Mr. Marshall called the meeting to order at 6:01 P.M. and led

the Pledge of Allegiance.

**A4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA** Motion by Mr. Reesor, seconded by Mrs. Kuelling and

unanimously carried by Board members present the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the agenda of October 2, 2023 with the following updates to Consent Agenda #8 enclosure was amended in packet, #10 effective date changed to Oct. 5, 2023, new #13 Approve creation of a 1:1 Teacher Aide position at Marion Elementary School needed to fulfill special education IEP requirements and #14 Accept the resignation of Brenda Doell as a 1:1 Teacher Aide

at Marion Jr-Sr High School, effective September 26, 2023.

(FY 23/24 October #1) 4-0-0

**B. COMM AGENDA COMMENTS** An opportunity for community comments on agenda items

was given. No comments were made.

C1. PRESENTATION Mrs. Steiner and Mr. Dehn presented the 2023-24 Elementary

and Jr-Sr High School Building Plans. Mrs. Steiner reviewed the goals for the Elementary building, focusing on the new areas of focus and the action steps for each goal. Mr. Dehn also reviewed the goals for the Jr-Sr High highlighting last year's achievements and what the focus is for each goal this

coming year.

#### D1. BOARD REPORT

Mr. Marshall reported that the Board took time during their retreat for training on BoardDocs and during the retreat they reviewed the NYSSBA Resolutions and their board goals, including how they will move forward with a survey. Mr. Marshall then spoke about a student representative on the Board; reminding everyone that we had a new policy regarding this and that the community had voted in favor of allowing the Board to do this. The Board discussed this topic and then asked Mr. Dehn to see if he could find a student, based on the criteria in the Policy, to be a representative on the Board. Lastly, he asked if there were any questions or concerns about the policy review schedule to which there were not.

## **D2. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

Dr. Lloyd joined the group remotely from the NYSCOSS Leadership Summit and talked about how she was able to take something away from each session so far. She then reported that Lynne Rutnik was the new W-FLBOCES District Superintendent and talked a little about her qualifications. Dr. Lloyd touched on the upcoming Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> Superintendent Conference Day and that the agenda was linked to each of the building plans and goals. She next spoke about homeschool students participating in extra-curricular clubs. She reported that the administrative team had discussed the possibility of this happening and it was decided that it was not feasible at the Jr-Sr High to manage this due to some clubs meeting during the school day and there would be a need to add staff to manage it; however they felt that the mini-camps at MES would be more manageable to track attendance, etc. They will slowly phase into this during second semester once they have established participation requirements, developed a process and defined clear expectations; they will bring this back to the board when they are closer to initiating it. Lastly, she discussed Youth Development and Youth Sports Grants that are available and a collaboration with the Town of Marion to help write the grants which are due October 18<sup>th</sup>.

**APPROVE RESOLUTION** 

Motion by Mr. Monroe, seconded by Mrs. Kuelling, and unanimously carried by Board members present the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the Resolution Authorizing Partial Settlement of Vaping Litigation as presented. (FY 23/24 October #1) 4-0-0

## APPRVE APPR EVALUATORS

Motion by Mrs. Kuelling, seconded by Mr. Reesor, and unanimously carried the following resolution: Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the APPR Evaluators for the 2023-2024 School Year. (FY 23/24 October #1) 4-0-0

#### APPRVE BLDG SAFETY PLANS

Motion by Mr. Monroe, seconded by Mr. Reesor, and unanimously carried by the Board members present the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the building safety plans as presented. (FY 23/24 October #1) 4-0-0

#### D3. FINANCE REPORT

Mr. Walker updated the Board on the current Capital Project work taking place at each of the buildings. He then reviewed the reserve fund report, the annual external audit mentioning that there were no findings, but that the internal auditor should speak to the board annually and the financial report pointing out that the current fund balance is half of what it was last year.

#### APPRVE FINANCIAL REPORTS

Motion by Mr. Reesor, seconded by Mr. Monroe, and unanimously carried by Board members present the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the Financial Reports as presented. (FY 23/24 October #1) 4-0-0

#### **D4. ADMINISTRATORS REPORTS**

Mrs. Levi reported that 504/IEP were moved to Frontline and are now connected to SchoolTool so teachers can make sure they are following the students' accommodations. She then mentioned that to date, 125 BKCs have been submitted at the Jr-Sr High and 1209 Knight Notes at the Elementary. She then talked about the difference between the two acknowledgements and read two BKCs that were submitted by people outside the school.

Mrs. Steiner reported that they celebrated Spirit Week and homecoming; the highlight was the pep rally and the blindfolded pie eating contest. She then spoke about the Knight Notes celebration and staff doing a line dance for the students. Mrs. Steiner then reported on the upcoming PTO events.

Mr. Dehn reported that homecoming was successful and the staff participation this year was great; most of the teams won their competitions and there was a Homecoming Dance on Saturday night that was well attended. He then mentioned that the Girls Tennis Team had their senior night and that for the conference day they will be doing a Pot Luck Harvest lunch this year.

Mr. Wise reported that PSAT/SAT testing was moving to all online and his team was able to get the software needed to do this installed on the Chromebooks.

# E. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Motion by Mr. Reesor, seconded by Mrs. Kuelling, and unanimously carried by Board members present: 4-0-0

#### E1. MEETING MINUTES

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the Meeting Minutes of the September 25, 2023 meeting/retreat. (FY 23/24 October #1)

#### E2. CSE/CPSE PLACEMENTS

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the placement of students into special education programs. (FY 23/24 October #1)

## E3. APPRVE WARRANTS

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the warrants report as presented. (FY 23/24 October #1)

# E4. FEDERAL GRANT STIPENDS

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, authorizes the payment of federal grant stipends for the school year as listed. (FY 23/24 October #1)

## E5. APPROVE TITLE CHANGE

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the change in title of Director of Finance and Operations to School Business Official. (FY 23/24 October #1)

#### E6. APPOINTMENT CHANGE

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the appointment change of **Hannah Tones** from a 4 hour/day to a 5 hour/day Food Service Helper at Marion Jr-Sr High School, effective October 2, 2023. (FY 23/24 October #1)

# E7. ABOLISH 3 HR FOOD SVC

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the abolishment of the 3 hour/day Food Service Helper position at Marion Jr-Sr High School. (FY 23/24 October #1)

#### E8. OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the overnight field trip as presented. (FY 23/24 October #1)

# E9. CAFETERIA EQUIP SURPLUS

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the declaration of cafeteria kitchen equipment listed as surplus. (FY 23/24 October #1)

# E10. APPROVE 1:1 AIDE

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the appointment of Maxine Murray as a 1:1 Teacher Aide at Marion Elementary School, effective October 4, 2023, rate: \$14.45/hr. (FY 23/24 October #1)

E11. APPRV SUBSTITUTE GROUNDS RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the appointment of Sam Aiken as a Substitute Groundskeeper for Marion Central School District, rate: \$16.70/hr. (FY 23/24 October #1)

#### E12. FALL ATHLETIC SUPPORT

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the appointment of Mark DeYoung as a Volleyball timer/score clock for the Fall 2023/24 season. (FY 23/24 October #1)

# E13. CREATE 1:1 TEACHER AIDE

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the creation of a 1:1 Teacher Aide position at Marion Elementary School to accommodate a student's IEP requirements. (FY 23/24 October #1)

# E14. ACCEPT RESIGNATION

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, accepts the resignation of Brenda Doell as a 1:1 Teacher Aide at Marion Jr-Sr High School, effective September 26, 2023. (FY 23/24 October #1)

# F. COMMUNITY COMMENTS

An opportunity for community questions and comments was given. A community member commented on homeschool.

# G. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Reesor, seconded by Mr. Monroe, and unanimously carried by Board members present the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the adjournment of its October 2, 2023, meeting at 7:13 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nadine A. Mitchell School District Clerk