



MARSHALL PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Board of Education Business Session

Monday, January 27, 2020 – 7:00 p.m.

Marshall Opportunity High School Library – located at 225 Watson Street; Albion

Marshall Public Schools is a partnership of school employees, parents, community members and students working together to develop life-long learners who have the knowledge, skills, abilities and habits necessary to succeed in the larger world.

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in agenda item Public Comments.

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

- A. Board of Education President Bill DeSmet, will call the Business Session of the Board of Education to order.
- B. Secretary to the Board of Education, Kimberly VanWormer, will call the roll.

Bill DeSmet, President	Brent Dawson, Trustee
Carrie Nicholson, Vice-President	Shawna Gamble, Trustee
Lisa Middleton, Secretary	Richard Lindsey Jr., Trustee
Larry Williams, Treasurer	
- C. Moment of Silence
- D. Pledge of Allegiance

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by_____, supported by_____ that the agenda be approved.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas Nays

3. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE MAY ADDRESS THE BOARD ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

4. ACADEMIC HIGHLIGHTS

- Martin Luther King Jr. Essay Contest Winners Presentation – Harrington Elementary Students

5. CONSENT AGENDA – MINUTES, EXPENDITURES, PERSONNEL AND OTHER

- A. Approval of minutes: December 16, 2019 combined work/business session and closed sessions; and January 13, 2020 combined organizational meeting/work session and closed sessions
- B. Disbursements: December 2019 in the amount of \$3,355,821.36
- C. Employment – Lucinda Benoit, assistant cook at Harrington Elementary
- D. Employment – Vivian Davis, proctor for Eastern Calhoun Early College
- E. Employment – Marc Paskett, noon-hour supervisor at Gordon Elementary
- F. Employment – Nancy Piggins, assistant cook at Gordon Elementary
- G. Employment – Gail Rodgers, math instructional systems coach

BACKGROUND

- A. Minutes are included in Board materials.
- B. Financials are included in Board materials.
- C-G. Employment offers have been accepted, pending Board approval, successful validation of criminal history record checks, completion of unprofessional conduct checks and validation of credentials.

RECOMMENDATION

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented.

Moved by_____, supported by_____ that the Consent Agenda be approved.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas Nays

6. **REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

- A. Special Recognition
 - New Hires
 - School Board Recognition Month January 2020
- B. Leadership Team Reports

7. **DISCUSSION**

- A. Facility Needs Assessment Update
- B. Debt Equalization Millage

8. **ACTION ITEM – CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION**

- A. Approve Textbook for Advanced Placement (AP) United States Government and Politics

BACKGROUND

A. At the Board combined work/business session on December 16, 2019 the Board discussed recommendations received from the Curriculum Director to adopt a textbook for the AP Government and Politics Course at Marshall High School. The Curriculum Council joins the Curriculum Director in recommending the proposed textbook. The textbook has been available for the public to review since December 16th to provide an opportunity to receive public input. The textbook is now being presented to the board for action.

RECOMMENDATION

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the ACTION ITEM – CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION be approved as presented.

Moved by_____, supported by_____ that the ACTION ITEM – CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION be approved.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas Nays

9. **ACTION ITEM – OTHER**

- A. Nominate candidate for the Calhoun Area School Board Members Association (CASBMA) 2019 Distinguished Service Award

BACKGROUND

A. Annually the CASBMA asks local school boards to nominate individuals for consideration for the Citizens and Professional Awards. Individual board members having names to be submitted are requested to present those names to their respective boards for board action and formal nomination to CASBMA. From those nominated, one individual in Calhoun County will be recognized with the Professional Award, one will be recognized with the Citizens Award as well as they sometimes individuals are recognized with a Special Commendations Award. A suggested nominee to be considered for nomination by the Marshall Board of Education is Mark O’Connell for the Professional Distinguished Service Award. The Board will now consider taking action to nominate the suggested nominee as presented.

RECOMMENDATION

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that ACTION ITEM – OTHER be approved as presented.

Moved by_____, supported by_____ that ACTION ITEM – OTHER be accepted.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas Nays

10. **BOARD PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT – Strategic Communication Plan / Objectives**

11. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

*Individuals who wish to address the Board of Education are requested to complete a **Public Participation at Board of Education Meetings** form and provide it to the recording secretary for the Board of Education prior to taking the floor. Each person will be allowed up to three minutes to address the Board.*

12. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS FOR WHICH NO ACTION MAY BE TAKEN AT THIS MEETING

13. EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION

Moved by _____, supported by _____ that the Marshall Board of Education move into executive closed session –under Section 8 (h) of the Open Meetings Act to consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal statute.

Roll-Call Vote: Yeas Nays

14. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

15. EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION

Moved by _____, supported by _____ that the Marshall Board of Education move into executive closed session – student discipline hearing under Section 8 (b) of the Open Meetings Act in regard to disciplining of a student.

Roll-Call Vote: Yeas Nays

16. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

17. ACTION ITEM – STUDENT DISCIPLINE – STUDENT 12

Superintendent Davis, the hearing officer, took notes during the Board’s deliberations and has a proposed resolution for the Board’s consideration.

Moved by _____, supported by _____ that the Marshall Board of Education adopt the resolution as read.

Roll-Call Vote: Yeas Nays

18. ACTION ITEM – STUDENT DISCIPLINE HEARING – STUDENT 13

Student Discipline Hearing for Student 13 – Students who are presented to the Board of Education for Student Discipline Hearings have the right to have their hearing conducted in open or closed session. Student 13’s parent/guardian has requested their student’s discipline hearing to be held in open session.

FOLLOWING BOARD DELIBERATIONS

Superintendent Davis, the hearing officer, took notes during the Board’s deliberations and has a proposed resolution for the Board’s consideration.

Moved by _____, supported by _____ that the Marshall Board of Education adopt the resolution as read.

Roll-Call Vote: Yeas Nay

19. ADJOURNMENT