

MINUTES OF THE BUSINESS SESSION OF THE MARSHALL BOARD OF EDUCATION HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 28, 2021 AT 7:00 PM, IN THE MARSHALL OPPORTUNITY HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY

PRESENT: LINDSEY, NICHOLSON, MIDDLETON, DAVIS, GAMBLE, JONES, WILLIAMS JOINED THE MEETING AT 7:03 PM

ABSENT: LANKERD

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Lindsey.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Davis supported by Gamble, that the agenda be approved as presented. A roll-call vote unanimously carried the motion.

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2021-22 BUDGET

Moved by Gamble, supported by Middleton, that the Board of Education hold a public hearing for the purpose of taking public comment on the adoption of the 2021-22 Budget supporting the 18 mil operating levy and the 1 mil sinking fund on 7.05 mil debt levy for Marshall Public Schools as approved by the voters. A roll-call vote unanimously carried the motion.

Interim Superintendent/Director of Business Operations Becky Jones presented the 2021-22 Budgets. She reviewed the tax levies for 2021-22. Additionally, she reviewed fund equity amounts from June 30, 2002 through June 30, 2021, general fund history, revenue amounts, changes from 2020-21 to 2021-22, key assumptions to 2021-22 expenditures, anticipated capital outlay purchases and school meals fund history.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS ON PROPOSED 2021-22 BUDGET

President Lindsey called for any members of the audience to address the Board on the proposed 2021-22 Budget only. There were none.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2021-22 GENERAL FUND BUDGET

Moved by Davis, supported by Nicholson, that the Board of Education close the public hearing for the purpose of taking public comment on the 2021-22 Budget. A roll-call vote unanimously carried the motion.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

President Lindsey called for any members of the audience to address the Board on agenda items only.

Bonnie Kazmar (Marshall) spoke in support of not requiring students to wear masks to school, that children not be tested for COVID, that children not be segregated based on if

they have or have not received the vaccine. She urged the district to not adopt recommendations rather only implement requirements.

Charles Kazmar (Marshall) shared costs to educate a child that he referenced from several different news medial outlets. He believes the district's priorities are being bogged down by concerns with equity and that time would be better focused on educating students about the country they live in and preparing them for jobs that do not require college degrees such as skilled trades.

Megan (no other information provided) shared she is thankful she was able to keep her child home last year. She quoted statistics for the county related to COVID. She spoke on behalf of the children in her neighborhood and the concerns they shared with her about school. She wants to see students return to the classroom to learn together.

Justin Kazmar (Marshall) asked the district to right the wrongs of the last school year, if not he will look to put his child in another school district. He recommended not adopting guidelines rather only mandates. He does not want to see children treated differently because they may or may not be vaccinated. His child will not be wearing a mask, receiving the vaccination nor will he be subjected to testing for COVID. He added that Michigan had the strictest protocols with one of highest of number of cases and a 98% survival rate; he called it madness.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

Items included on the consent agenda were minutes of the May 24, 2021 special, business and closed sessions, and the June 14, 2021 work session; May disbursements in the amount of \$2,685,054.64; and the employments of Madison Lampkin as childcare paraprofessional at the Shamrock Center, Heather Mehl as lead preschool teacher at the Shamrock Center and Allyson Salow as business office manager – level II for central office.

Moved Nicholson, supported by Middleton, that the Board of Education approve the consent agenda as presented. A roll-call vote unanimously carried the motion.

REPORT OF THE INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT – SPECIAL RECOGNITION
SPECIAL RECOGNITION: Interim Superintendent Jones presented to the Board for employment the new hires; she shared their educational background information.

Interim Superintendent Jones recognized the retirement of Dan Coddens, the district's athletic director, as he retires June 30, 2021. Mr. Coddens shared a few heartfelt words about his time with the district.

TEACHING TENURE RECOGNIZED: Interim Superintendent Ms. Jones announced the attainment of tenure at the end of the 2020-21 school year unless otherwise indicated as follows:

- Michael Squires Seniority Date 11/4/2015; 5 year completion November 2020
- Gerald Myer Seniority Date 11/5/2015; 5 year completion November 2020

- Judy McAtee Seniority Date 3/17/16; 5 year completion March 2021
- Emily Parsons (5 yr)
- Mary Jane Ewing (5 yr)
- Brandon Stoddard (5 yr)
- Aimee Olree (5 yr)
- Christine Nixon (5 yr)
- Megan Wilkerson (4 yrs - 3 most recent consecutive yrs in 4 years at highly effective; does not need to complete 5 based on HE)
- Patricia Tarpley Seniority Date 10/8/2018; 2 year completion October 2020
- Meglynn MacDonald Seniority Date 3/4/2019; 2 year completion March 2021
- Jennifer Bosscher Seniority Date 5/14/19; 2 year completion May 2021

APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEMS –FINANCIAL-BUDGET
REVISED 2020-21 GENERAL FUND, FOOD SERVICE FUND AND STUDENT ACTIVITY BUDGETS: Approve the revised 2020-21 General Fund, Food Service Fund and Student Activity Budgets.

Moved Middleton, supported by Williams, that the Board of Education approve Action Item – Financial – Budget A as presented. A roll-call vote unanimously carried the motion.

2021-22 GENERAL FUND, FOOD SERVICE FUND AND STUDENT ACTIVITY BUDGETS: Approve the 2021-22 General Fund, Food Service Fund and Student Activity Budgets.

Moved Nicholson supported by Gamble, that the Board of Education approve Action Item – Financial – Budget B as presented. A roll-call vote unanimously carried the motion.

RESOLUTION FOR DISTRICT PARTICIPATION IN MMBA AUGUST 2021 STATE AID NOTE PROGRAM: Approve a resolution allowing the district to participate in the MMBA State Aid Note program for the 2021-22 fiscal year.

Moved Williams, supported by Middleton, that the Board of Education approve Action Item – Financial – Budget C as presented. A roll-call vote unanimously carried the motion.

APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEMS –FINANCIAL
RESOLUTIONS FOR L-4029S WHICH SET THE OPERATING, DEBT AND SINKING FUND LEVIES FOR 2021: Approve the resolutions for L-4029s which set the millage levy for debt retirement funds and the sinking fund levies for 2021.

Moved by Nicholson, supported by Williams, that the Board of Education approve Action Item A – Financial as presented. A roll-call vote carried the motion unanimously.

AWARD FUEL BID: Award fuel bid for the 2021-2022 school year to Folk Oil.

Moved by Gamble, supported by Williams, that the Board of Education approve Action Item B – Financial as presented. A roll-call vote carried the motion unanimously.

AWARD BAKERY GOODS BID: Award bakery goods bid for the 2021-2022 school year to Aunt Millies Bakeries.

Moved by Davis, supported by Gamble, that the Board of Education approve Action Item C – Financial as presented. A roll-call vote carried the motion unanimously.

AWARD DAIRY PRODUCTS BID: Award dairy products bid for the 2021-2022 school year to Prairie Farms.

Moved by Middleton, supported by Gamble, that the Board of Education approve Action Item D - Financial as presented. A roll-call vote carried the motion unanimously.

APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEM – CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

2021-22 HANDBOOK CHANGES: Approve 2021-22 handbook changes as presented. The Board received recommended changes to the 2021-22 handbooks at its May 24, 2021 business session.

Moved by Middleton, supported by Nicholson, that the Board of Education approve Action Item – Curriculum and Instruction as presented. A roll-call vote carried the motion unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEM –
CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION – OTHER**

HIGH SCHOOL TEXTBOOK PROPOSALS: Approve high school textbook proposals that include an Anatomy & Physiology textbook and a Physics Textbook.

Moved by Middleton, supported by Gamble, that the Board of Education approve Action Item A – Curriculum and Instruction – Other as presented. A roll-call vote carried the motion unanimously.

ENGLISH 12 COURSE: Approve English 12 Diversity Through Literature Course.

Moved by Davis, supported by Middleton, that the Board of Education approve Action Item B – Curriculum and Instruction – Other as presented. A roll-call vote carried the motion unanimously.

APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEM – BOARD POLICY

BOARD POLICY UPDATES: Approve NEOLA Policy Updates February 2021 – Vol. 35, No. 2, Nondiscrimination/Anti-Harassment Policies Update and EDGAR Revisions.

Moved by Williams, supported by Davis, that the Board of Education approve Action Item – Board Policy as presented. A roll-call vote carried the motion unanimously.

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

Secretary Middleton thanked the public that came and shared their thoughts during public comment. She is pleased that new textbooks were approved; shared kudos to the central office team for the presented budgets; and thanked Mr. Coddens for his service to the district.

Trustee Davis appreciates that people contact him about rumors as they can be damaging. The best thing to do when hearing a rumor is to get the facts as it is the best way to address the rumors.

President Lindsey also shared his appreciation for individuals that attended the meeting and spoke under public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

LISA MIDDLETON, SECRETARY

KIMBERLY VANWORMER, RECORDING SECRETARY