

## MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING OCTOBER 10, 2019

The Board of Directors of the Martensdale-St. Marys Community School District met in regular session, pursuant to law on October 10, 2019.

Members Present: President, Nicole Bunch; Vice President, Dean Furness; and Jennifer Parrott Held together with Superintendent, Tom Wood and Business Manager, Jill Gavin.

Members Absent: Dawn Reeves and Ralph DiCesare

### I. Welcome – Board President

Mrs. Bunch called meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and welcomed all guests.

### II. Consent Items

Mr. Furness motioned to approve the consent items, seconded by Mrs. Held. Roll call: 3 ayes.

### III. Celebrations

Mr. Moser gave kudos and credit to the Special Ed Department as they continue to do really good things for the best interest of our kids. We are very lucky to have them. Mr. Wood also celebrated the Fine Arts teachers, including the PE Department for their extracurricular work that they are doing in classes right now. The elementary kids are excited about all of their specials this year. It is great to see new things happening and the enthusiasm that is taking place. The Marching band sounded wonderful and last week's homecoming football game. Mr. Warden has also become involved in the band by playing the drums and helping with individual lessons. It is great to see the vocal and band departments doing things together.

### IV. Public Comments - none

### V. Old Business

#### A. Reports

- 1) MStM Music Booster Minutes - none
- 2) MStM Athletic Booster Minutes – minutes from September 2019
- 3) MStM PTO Minutes – minutes from September 10, 2019
- 4) MStM FFA Boosters – minutes from September 30, 2019

#### B. Presentations

##### 1) Facilities Report

Mr. Christensen

Mr. Wood reviewed two items that he is recommending for approval. Walsh Door & Security can install the Halo system throughout the building for safety and security. Embark is the company we are recommending to install a new audio system in the elementary gym along with wireless mics for future plays and concerts.

##### 2) Elementary Report

Ms. Happe

Ms. Happe was not in attendance.

##### 3) Secondary Report

Mr. Moser

Mr. Moser has met with a professional development team of 6 staff members to dive into how to better involve students and parents at parent teacher conferences. We have invited a representative from the American Lung Association to set up a table during parent teacher conferences to reach out to parents about vaping. Also working on inviting a simulation trailer that has been traveling to schools across the state of Iowa to simulate what parents and teachers might look for in case kids are involved with substance abuse. Mr. Moser and Mrs. Grafft recently attended a Digital Citizenship & Mental Health Conference. They received a lot of very helpful information media consumption connection with drug and alcohol abuse. Mr. Moser has invited Karen Gale of the FBI to address the students on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. She is a victim specialist for the FBI and was involved in the immediate aftermath of Sandy Hook, Mandalay Bay and victims of sex trafficking and the dangers of sexting and online safety. This will be open to the public. Mr. Moser is setting up the next meeting for the distracted driving event.

##### 4) Superintendent Report

Mr. Wood

Mr. Wood will be meeting with the Crime Stoppers of Central Iowa next week regarding the Quick 50 program that refers to "See Something Say Something" for schools. This started at Lincoln High School and has been a big success. The hope is that this will help address the reluctance of students to report illegal and/or dangerous activities that they witness.

Mr. Wood reviewed the current Vision and Mission statements of the district and stated it was time to have them updated. He has received feedback from the SIAC committee, staff, and the board and provided three options. The board goals also need to be updated. Mr. Wood provided the previous goals and the proposed changes. The focus would be broad goals on targeted areas of academics, character/healthy choices/decision (culture and climate), access/opportunities for experiences, and learning. Discussion and ideas were shared between the board and Mr. Moser and Mr. Wood. Mr. Wood will follow up more at the November board meeting.

Mr. Wood shared a map of school districts with social workers for the 2018-2019 school year. There are currently very few employees dedicated as social workers in the state of Iowa. MStM shares a social worker with Interstate 35 and the relationship has been tremendous and is considered a key member of our personnel here. Most schools do not have the funding to make this possible.

Mr. Wood shared the proposed FY2020 IASB Legislative beliefs and will wait until after the school board election to discuss.

#### VI. New Business

A. Receive Preliminary Certified Enrollment Report for 2019-2020 Supt. Wood  
Preliminary certified enrollment numbers were presented to the board. Certification will be official on October 15<sup>th</sup>. Open enrolled IN numbers are higher than our open enrolled OUT numbers.

B. Approve Special Ed Supplement Allowable Growth Supt. Wood  
Mr. Furness motioned to approve the Special Ed Supplement Allowable Growth of \$63,508.46, seconded by Mrs. Held. Roll call: 3 ayes.

C. Approve Level I Investigators Supt. Wood  
Mrs. Held motioned to approve Randy Folkerts and Cally Thompson as Level I Investigators for the 2010-2020 school year, seconded by Mr. Furness. Roll call: 3 ayes.

D. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Policies 100, 200.1, 2001R1, 202.4, 206.4, 210.1, 210.5, 210.6, Supt. Wood

E. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Policies 210.10, 211, 215, 216.2, 404.1R1, 711.7, 711.10 Supt. Wood

F. Discuss/Approve Elementary Gym Sound System Quote Supt. Wood  
Mr. Furness motioned to approve the elementary gym sound system with Embark IT, seconded by Mrs. Held. Roll call: 3 ayes.

G. Discuss/Approve Walsh Security/HALO Smart Sensor Quote Supt. Wood  
Mr. Furness motioned to approve the smart sensor with Walsh Security, seconded by Mrs. Held. Roll call: 3 ayes.

H. Discuss/Approve Personnel Resignations - none Supt. Wood

I. Discuss/Approve Personnel Recommendations Supt. Wood  
Mr. Furness motioned to approve the following positions, seconded by Mrs. Held. Roll call: 3 ayes.  
Molly DiCesare – Pk Associate  
Nikki Kimmel – Special Ed Associate  
Wade Gibson – JH Boys Basketball Head Coach

J. Confirm – Next Meeting Dates Supt. Wood  
The school board election will be held on November 5, 2019. The next school board meeting will be held on Monday, November 11, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.

#### VII. Adjournment

Mrs. Held motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Furness. Roll call: 3 ayes. Time: 4:56 p.m.

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Board President

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Business Manager