

## MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING FEBRUARY 8, 2021

The Board of Directors of the Martensdale-St. Marys Community School District met in regular session, pursuant to law on February 8, 2021.

Members Present: President Nicole Bunch; Vice President Ralph DiCesare; Jeff Bowlin; Dawn Reeves; and Jennifer Held and together with Superintendent Tom Wood; Elementary Principal Beth Happe; Secondary Principal Josh Moser; and Business Manager Alison Cornwell.

### I. Welcome – Board President

Ms. Bunch called the meeting to order at 3:59pm and welcomed all guests.

### II. Consent Items

Mr. DiCesare motioned to approve the consent items, seconded by Mr. Bowlin. Roll call: 5 ayes.

### III. Celebrations

Mr. Wood celebrated the scheduling of staff COVID vaccines tomorrow. Hy-vee will be bringing the mobile lab to school and the 2<sup>nd</sup> dose has been scheduled. Ms. Happe noted that there are many fun activities happening at the elementary level. Students are making valentines for the state veterans' home, and are putting together a photobook to send along with the valentines. Ms. Happe also noted that the Pennies for Patients fundraiser held at the elementary level was a huge success. Mr. Moser celebrated the robotics team, who are currently ranked 29<sup>th</sup> out of 150 teams in the state. They are making immense progress each week. Mr. Moser also celebrated our winter sports teams and their successes: we have two boys advance to district wrestling, a wrestler placed 7<sup>th</sup> in the girls' state wrestling tournament, and the boys' varsity basketball team has only lost 4 conference games in the past 4 years.

### IV. Public Comments - none.

### V. Old Business

#### A. Reports

- 1) MStM PTO Minutes – PTO Minutes from the January and February meetings were presented.
- 2) MStM Athletic Booster Minutes – none
- 3) MStM Music Booster Minutes – none

#### B. Presentations

##### 1) Facilities Report

Mr. Wood

Mr. Wood shared that the new visitor bleachers will start getting placed once weather gets better. We are currently working on preliminary pricing for a bus barn. The District is looking at building it on the east side of the school. We will schedule meeting with the facilities committee as things develop.

##### 2) Elementary Report

Ms. Happe

Ms. Happe shared that FAST data will be reviewed during the scheduled data day on Feb. 17, and that each grade level will meet to discuss interventions and get feedback/suggestions from the team. ISASP will be fully online this year, and Ms. Happe shared that the tech team has been helpful to prepare for the test. With Mr. Hatcher's decision to retire at the end of the school year, the TLC group has been reviewing potential changes to TLC for next year. Mr. Hatcher's position will now be called the Facilitator of Teaching & Learning, and has been posted internally to staff.

##### 3) Secondary Report

Mr. Moser

The secondary is well into second semester, and are looking forward to building the fall schedule and course offerings for next year. Mr. Moser has been approached by a group of parents interested in exploring different scheduling options, and we have begun gathering and reviewing data. A survey has been sent to staff regarding our current schedule, and a student & parent survey will be sent out soon. Next we will be developing a focus group to review data and do further research. We will continue to educate and listen to community feedback through this process.

##### 4) Superintendent Report

Mr. Wood

Mr. Wood discussed the upcoming changes to TLC roles for next year and reviewed the history and requirements of the TLC program. Mr. Wood is crafting a message to parents regarding the end of the school year. We always budget extra hours when we create the schedule. With our current inclement weather days, we are still on track to be done on time without adding student contact days. Mr. Wood shared that our

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COVID protocols have not changed based on changes at the state level, and that a message has gone out to parents and staff.

VI. New Business

A. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Board Policies 503.6 (New), 503.6R1 (New), 503.1 (Revision) Supt. Wood

B. Discuss/Approve Replacing Football Turf Supt. Wood

The Board was provided an update on bids; we are waiting for the weather to warm up to have the company come out to see our field. This item was tabled until the company can come out to view the field.

C. Discuss/Approve Amendment to MStM/NCSD Technology Agreement Supt. Wood

Mr. DiCesare motioned to approve the Amendment to MStM/NCSD Technology Agreement, Ms. Reeves seconded. Roll call: 5 ayes.

D. Discuss/Approve Foreign Exchange Student Supt. Wood

James & Kelly Pearson seek to host a student from Spain for the fall of 2021. Mr. Bowlin motioned to approve the Foreign Exchange Student, Mr. DiCesare seconded. Roll call: 5 ayes.

E. Discuss/Approve Personnel Resignations Supt. Wood

Ms. Held motioned to approve the Personnel Resignations, Ms. Reeves seconded. Roll call: 5 ayes.

F. Discuss/Approve Personnel Recommendations Supt. Wood

None.

G. Confirm – Next Meeting Dates Supt. Wood

The next Board meeting will be March 8, 2021 at 4:00pm.

VII. Adjournment

Mr. DiCesare motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Bowlin. Roll call: 5 ayes. Time: 4:52pm.

APPROVED

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Board President

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Business Manager

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