



MARSHALL PUBLIC SCHOOLS

A Rich Tradition of Excellence

Board of Education Annual Organizational Meeting and Work Session

Monday, January 11, 2021 – 7:00 p.m.

Meeting to be conducted virtually - [open this link to access the live meeting](#)

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 Vice President, Carrie Nicholson, will call the combined annual organizational meeting/work session of the Board of Education to order.
- B. Secretary to the Board of Education, Kimberly VanWormer, will call the roll.

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| Carrie Nicholson, Vice-President | Shawna Gamble, Trustee |
| Lisa Middleton, Secretary | Amanda Lanker, Trustee |
| Larry Williams, Treasurer | Richard Lindsey Jr., Trustee |
| Matt Davis, Trustee | |
- 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

*Individuals who wish to address the Board of Education are requested to **Complete a Public Comment Request Form if you plan to make any comments;** [open this link to access the form](#). Each person will be allowed up to three minutes to address the Board.*

4. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS – ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR JANUARY 2021 – DECEMBER 2021

BACKGROUND

Vice President Nicholson assembled a Nominating Committee of the Marshall Board of Education at the December 14, 2020 Combined Work/Business Session. The committee included Carrie Nicholson, Lisa Middleton and Shawna Gamble; Lisa Middleton served as Chair. The committee developed the following recommendations for board officer assignments for January 2021-December 2021 are as follows: President – Richard Lindsey Jr., Vice President – Carrie Nicholson; Secretary – Lisa Middleton; Treasurer – Larry Williams.

RECOMMENDATION

It is the recommendation of the Board President that officers of the Marshall Board of Education be elected as presented.

Moved by _____, supported by _____ that the Marshall Board of Education approve the election of officers for the January 2021 – December 2021 school year as recommended by the Board President.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas Nays

5. ELECTED PRESIDENT ASSUMES CHAIR

6. **DISCUSSION**

- A. COVID-19 Current Impacts
- B. Resume In-Person Instruction
- C. Winter Sports / Athletics
- D. New Board Retreat

7. **REVIEW AND PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO THE DISTRICT’S COVID-19 EXTENDED PREPAREDNESS PLAN FOR LEARNING ONLY**

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

- A. Reconfirmation of COVID-19 Extended Learning Plan

BACKGROUND

A. At the September 28, 2020 Board Business Session, the Board approved the district’s COVID-19 Extended Learning Plan. The Board has reviewed, sought public input and reconfirmed the plan monthly since the plan was approved by the Board. The district is required to hold a “Reconfirmation Meeting” every 30 days. Earlier on the agenda, a monthly review of the district’s COVID-19 Extended Preparedness and Response Plan for Learning was discussed, and the Board took public comment regarding the plan. The Board will now consider the reconfirmation of the COVID-19 Extended Preparedness and Response Plan for learning.

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

Moved _____, supported _____ that ACTION ITEM – CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION – OTHER be approved.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas Nays

9. **ACTION ITEMS – ANNUAL ORGANIZATION ♦ FEBRUARY 2021 – JANUARY 2022**

- A. Set work and business sessions for the Marshall Board of Education for February 2021 – January 2022
- B. Designate as banks of depositories:

| <u>Institution</u> | <u>Institution</u> |
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| Bank of America Merrill Lynch | Huntington Bank |
| TCF Bank | Marshall Community Credit Union |
| Flagstar Bank | Southern Michigan Bank & Trust |

- C. Designate as brokers TCF Bank, MBIA Municipal Investors Service Corporation, Baker Tilly, Bank of America, Southern Michigan Bank & Trust and Marshall Community Credit Union.
- D. Designate as law firms Thrun Law Firm, P.C. and Schroeder DeGraw PLC.
- E. Appoint _____ as delegate and _____ as alternate delegate to the Calhoun Area School Board Members Association Board of Directors to represent Marshall Public Schools.
- F. Designate the Electronic Transfer Officer (ETO) in accordance with Board Policy 6144.

BACKGROUND

- A. The Marshall Board of Education has established a routine for the regular sessions of the Board each month at 7:00 p.m., in the Middle School Community Room or the Marshall Opportunity High School Auditorium. The first meeting of the month is a work session followed by a business session at the second meeting. The Superintendent or designee posts special meeting notices. A proposed meeting schedule would continue the current arrangement with the Board meeting the second and fourth Mondays of the month with April, July, November and December sessions being combined; and both May meetings being moved up a week due to the Memorial Day Holiday.
- B. Bank of America Merrill Lynch, TCF Bank, Flagstar Bank, Huntington Bank, Marshall Community Credit Union and Southern Michigan Bank & Trust have been established as banks of depositories by the Marshall

Board of Education in the past. Continuance of this practice would provide consistency in depositories for the 2021 calendar year.

C. TCF Bank, MBIA Municipal Investors Service Corporation, Baker Tilly, Bank of America, Southern Michigan Bank & Trust and Marshall Community Credit Union have been the established brokers for Marshall Public Schools. Their reputation and work is highly respected and returns have been as expected with these brokers therefore they are being recommended for the 2021 calendar year.

D. Thrun Law Firm, P.C., expert attorneys in education issues, and the firm of Schroeder DeGraw PLC, locally represented, have been the district's designated law firms for several years. Continuance of this practice would provide consistency in legal representation for the 2021 calendar year.

E. The Constitution of the Calhoun Area School Board Members Association (CASBMA) states under Article V, Section 4 that "each board of the Association shall appoint annually one of its members to the CASBMA Board of Directors and an alternate to serve in the absence of the member." This year the names of _____ and _____ are being recommended as delegate and alternate, respectively for the 2021 calendar year.

F. In accordance with board policy the Board shall, at the organizational meeting, designate the Electronic Transfer Officer (ETO) in accordance with Policy 6144. The Board designates Becky Jones as the district's ETO to complete such transactions on behalf of the Board.

RECOMMENDATION

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that ACTION ITEMS – ANNUAL ORGANIZATION be approved as presented.

Moved _____, supported _____ that ACTION ITEMS – ANNUAL ORGANIZATION be approved.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas Nays

10. **PUBLIC COMMENT– MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE MAY ADDRESS THE BOARD**
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11. **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS FOR WHICH NO ACTION MAY BE TAKEN AT THIS MEETING**

12. **ADJOURNMENT**