

**MARSEILLES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #150**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**  
201 Chicago Street  
Thursday,  
November 14, 2022  
6:30 pm

President Jim Barnes called the Marseilles Board of Education meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Members answering roll call were President Jim Barnes, Cherise Byone, Christy Carpenter, Brad Miller, and Julie Morey. Bobby Kaminski and Lawrence Cowie were absent with notice. Also in attendance were Superintendent Brenda Donahue, Craig Hepner, Deb DeGraaf, Principal Collins, and Melissa Small, along with many other staff members and 2nd-grade families.

Mr. Collins presented the LaSalle County Board Student Excellence Award to Alex Schaefer.

Second-grade teachers Alex Pierce, Janice Johnson, and Bejan Roumi along with a few students gave a presentation to the board and audience about their field trips and what they learned.

President Barnes asked Mrs. DeGraaf if anyone had requested public comment. Mrs. DeGraaf reported that no one requested to speak.

**Director of Maintenance: Brent DeFore - not in attendance**

- Working on grants

**Marseilles Education Association: Janice Johnson**

- Mrs. Wheeler asked her to share Cops for Cancer t-shirts raised \$60

**Marseilles Educational Support Staff: Melissa Small**

- Nothing to report

**Principal: Shawn Collins**

- Shared that we are halfway through the 2nd quarter and the winter bench mark has started
- Girls' basketball is almost done and Boys' basketball is started. The 8th-grade team is undefeated.

**Superintendent: Brenda Donahue**

- Thanked everyone who helped make our Veteran's Day program a huge success. It was so nice to be able to welcome the public again.
- Reported as a follow-up that we didn't receive any communication from the attendee that spoke at last month's meeting regarding the trophies.

**Treasurer's Report: Craig Hepner**

- The balance in the operating account as of October 31 was \$2.4 million which represents a decrease of about \$400K from the balance at September 30.
- \$600K was transferred from the operating account to investments in the Education Fund in October.
- Receipts for the month of October were slightly less than \$764K and included \$275K in General State Aid and \$192K in Personal Property Replacement Tax. Total revenue is running approximately 15% ahead of budget for the year due to the timing of real estate tax revenue.
- Expenditures in October were approximately \$590K.
- The yield on the CD investment portfolio was .765% as of October 31 which is in line with the yield at September 30. We have 81% of our CD investment dollars maturing and re-pricing over the next ten months which will allow us to take advantage of the rising interest rate environment.

**A motion was made by Morey and seconded by Byone to approve the consent agenda:**

- **6.01 Minutes of:**
  - **Regular Meeting October 20, 2022**
- **6.02 Treasurer's Report**
- **6.03 Disbursements / Bills**
- **6.04 Deposits / Receipts**
- **6.05 Employee and/or Board Member professional development, travel expenditures, and/or reimbursements**
- **6.06 Payroll**
- **6.07 Activity Fund Report**
- **6.08 Expenditure Budget Report**
- **6.09 Revenue Budget Report**
- **6.10 Destruction of Closed Meeting Audio Recordings and Approval of Closed Session Minutes: None**
- **6.11 Requests for District documents under the Freedom of Information Act: None**

**Aye: Barnes, Byone, Carpenter, Miller, and Morey**

**Nay: None**

**Motion carried**

**Mr. Roumi and Mrs. Honn presented their "Table Top Gaming Club"  
NO ACTION NECESSARY**

**A motion was made by Morey and seconded by Miller to approve the following hires: Samantha Vangelisti (kitchen) and Angie Rogers (preschool paraprofessional).**

**Aye: Byone, Carpenter, Miller, and Morey**

**Nay: None**

**Abstain: Barnes**

**Motion carried**

A motion was made by Byone and seconded by Morey to agree to place on file the 2022 Tentative Tax Levy (Fiscal year 23) and set the Levy Hearing date for December 15, 2022, at 6:25 pm.

Aye: Barnes, Byone, Carpenter, Miller, and Morey

Nay: None

Motion carried

A motion was made by Morey and seconded by Carpenter to approve the FY2023 - Round 1 School Maintenance Grant expenditures.

Aye: Barnes, Byone, Carpenter, Miller, and Morey

Nay: None

Motion carried

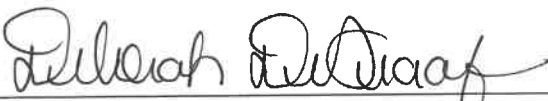
A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Carpenter to adjourn the meeting at 7:13pm.

Aye: Barnes, Byone, Carpenter, Miller, and Morey

Nay: None

Motion carried

  
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President - Jim Barnes

  
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Secretary - Deborah DeGraaf