

MARSEILLES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #150
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
201 Chicago Street
Thursday
January 21, 2021
6:30pm
Via Zoom Meeting

President Jim Barnes called the Marseilles Board of Education meeting to order at 6:30pm via Zoom. Members answering roll call were President Jim Barnes, Cherise Byone Christy Carpenter, Lawrence Cowie, Bobby Kaminski, Brad Miller, and Julie Morey. Also in attendance were Superintendent Brenda Donahue, Principal Jeff Owens, Treasurer Craig Hepner, Kim Smith, Paula Wheeler, Joelle Shulda, and Bejan Roumi along with Secretary Deb DeGraaf.

Principal Jeff Owens led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

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

Director of Maintenance: Brent DeFore – not in attendance

- On behalf of Brent, Jeff thanked Mr. Barnes for getting us the dumpster

Marseilles Education Association: Kim Smith and Paula Wheeler

- Expressed their appreciation for the custodial staff getting the painting done in the building and how nice it all looks
- Reported everyone is happy to be back in the building and the return has gone great
- Thanked Brenda for scheduling the vaccines

Marseilles Educational Support Staff:

- No one in attendance no report made

Principal / AD: Jeff Owens

- Reviewed personnel: to hire Mary Kay Kavanaugh as the Technology Coordinator and with regret accept the resignation of Julie Sesto as the School Nurse
- Student Discipline: nothing to report – kids have been great!
- AD: Sports are opening up and practices are starting. As of now, volleyball can play with no fans in attendance, but we will be live streaming the games Boy's basketball is starting practice with track right around the corner.
- No response from Army Corp of Engineers

Superintendent: Brenda Donahue

- Explained how IESA has opened restrictions for sporting events, but recommend that no fans attend. We will be adhering to that recommendation and will be live streaming

- Shared the good news of 25 staff members getting their first round of COVID vaccines
- Explained she has looked over the budget and it looks completely in line so far
- Reviewed the State of Illinois is looking to extend the school year

Treasurer's Report: Craig Heppner

- The balance in the operating account as of December 31, 2020 was \$2.616 million which is up from \$2.478 million at November 30
- Receipts for the month of December was a little under \$585K, and included a little less than \$164K in real estate taxes from LaSalle County and a little over \$4,300 in investment income.
- Expenditures in December were slightly over \$446K.
- The yield on the CD investment portfolio as of December 31 was 1.366% which is down about 4 basis points from the yield of 1.407% at November 30

A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Kaminski to approve the consent agenda:

- Minutes of:
 - Regular Meeting – December 17, 2020
- Treasurer's Report
- Receipts
- Disbursements
- Payroll
- Activity Fund Report
- Destruction of Closed Meeting Audio Recordings – None
- Approval of Closed Session Minutes – None
- FOIA Requests: None

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

Nay: None

Motion carried

A motion was made by Morey and seconded by Byone to consider the approval to extend the leave under FMLA for Aubrey Cavallini effective January 19, 2021 to February 3, 2021.

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

Nay: None

Motion carried

A motion was made by Carpenter and seconded by Byone to consider the approval for intent to retire from Julie Sesto, school nurse, effective August 1, 2021.

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

Nay: None

Motion carried

A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Morey to consider the approval of the contractual agreement between the Board of Education of Marseilles Elementary School District #150 and Mary Kay Kavanaugh effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

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

Nay: None


Motion carried

A motion was made by Kaminski and seconded by Cowie to adjourn the meeting at 6:50pm.

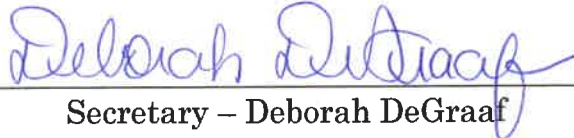
Aye: Barnes, Byone, Carpenter, Cowie, Kaminski, Miller and Morey

Nay: None

Motion carried



President – Jim Barnes



Secretary – Deborah DeGraaf