

MARSEILLES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #150
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
201 Chicago Street
Monday
November 15, 2021
6:30pm

President Jim Barnes called the Marseilles Board of Education Meeting to order at 6:30pm. Members answering roll call were President Jim Barnes, Cherise Byone, Christy Carpenter, Lawrence Cowie, and Julie Morey. Brad Miller was absent with notice and Bobby Kaminisk was absent without notice. Also in attendance was Superintendent Brenda Donahue, Tracy Bianchi, Brent DeFore, Craig Hepner, Deb DeGraaf, Dee Crawshaw and news reporter Steven Devine.

President Barnes asked Mrs. Donahue if anyone had requested public comment. Mrs. Donahue reported that no one had requested public comment.

Director of Maintenance: Brent DeFore

- Reviewed information regarding the HVAC project for the MPR - this project is Health/Life/Safety not grant funded

Marseilles Education Association: Tracy Bianchi

- Shared MES students have a few new clubs - The SAFE club Students Advocating for Everyone and the Tabletop Gaming Club

Marseilles Educational Support Staff: Jennifer Morello

- Nothing to report

Principal: Crystal Dvorak

- Reviewed some happenings at MES - celebrating American Education Week, working on winter benchmarking, The PTA trunk or treat was a huge success, and their Cherrydale fundraiser was the best ever at over \$20,000 in sales, YMCA after school program has started and lastly, sports are in full swing.

Superintendent: Brenda Donahue

- Thanked our board members for their time and hard work on School Board Member Day

Treasurer's Report: Craig Hepner

- The balance in the operating account as of October 31, 2021 was \$3.4 million which represents an increase of just over \$100,000 from the balance of September 30, 2021.
- Receipts for the month of October were slightly under \$695,000 and included \$125,000 in corporate property replacement tax receipts and \$271,000 in General State Aid
- Expenditures in October were \$578,000.

- The yield on the CD investment portfolio as of October 31 was .688% which is in line with the yield at September 30.

Director of Student Services: Stephanie Atchley

- Presentation

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

- **Minutes of:**
 - **Regular Meeting – October 21, 2021**
- **Treasurer’s Report**
- **Receipts**
- **Disbursements**
- **Payroll**
- **Activity Fund Report**
- **Destruction of Closed Meeting Audio Recordings – None**
- **Approval of Closed Session Minutes – None**
- **FOIA Requests: Received on 10/21/2021 from Vince Espi and responded to in full on 10/21/2021**

Aye: Barnes, Byone, Carpenter, Cowie and Morey

Nay: None

Motion carried

A motion was made by Carpenter and seconded by Morey to agree to place on file the 2021 Tentative Tax Levy and set the Levy Hearing Date for December 16, 2021 at 6:25pm.

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

Nay: None

Motion carried

A motion was made by Carpenter and seconded by Morey to approve the employment of Hailey Provenzano and Emily White as Paraprofessionals.

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

Nay: None

Motion carried

A motion was made by Morey and seconded by Carpenter to approve the resignation of Tina Lawry as 6th grade volleyball coach.

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

Nay: None

Motion carried

A motion was made by Carpenter and seconded by Morey to approve the bid for the 2022 HVAC Improvement - 1935 Gym from John’s Service and Sales, Inc.

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

Nay: None

Motion carried


A motion was made by Carpenter and seconded by Barnes to approve the Title 1 School Improvement - 1003 grant
Aye: Barnes, Byone, Carpenter, Cowie, and Morey
Nay: None

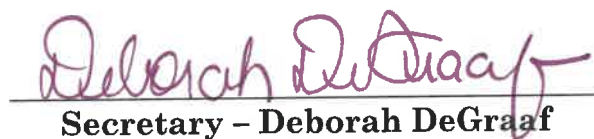
Motion carried

A motion was made by Byone and seconded by Morey to adjourn the meeting at 7pm.

Aye: Barnes, Byone, Carpenter, Cowie, and Morey
Nay: None

Motion carried


President - Jim Barnes


Secretary - Deborah DeGraaf