

Regular Meeting - August 18, 2026
The Board of Education
Community Unit School District No. 2
Williamson County, IL

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Shannon Mohr was not present.

Example of Educational Excellence

Ryan Goodisky, MHS Athletic Director, provided the Board with the MHS Athletic Review for the 2025-2026 school year. He was pleased to report that Marion won the South 7 Gold Cup Championship for the fifth time in the last 6 years and for the first time in school history Marion was back to back to back South 7 Gold Cup Champions. He shared the accomplishments of the athletic programs including numerous South 7, Regional and State championships.

Audience to Visitors

No comment was offered.

Marion Education Association

No comment was offered.

Consent Agenda

Motion #1: It was moved by Joseph Bleyer and seconded by Brice Wesley to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.

a. Minutes - the minutes from the July 21, 2026 public hearing, regular meeting and closed session as presented.

b. Bills – the July supplementary bills and the August bills for payment as presented.

c. Donations

- i. Marion Bikes LLC to Longfellow Elementary School - Electric Scooter for Raffle valued at \$300.00
- ii. Marion Elks to Marion High School - \$100.00 Monetary Donation
- iii. Watermark to Marion High School - \$200.00 Monetary Donation
- iv. Marion Elks to Marion High School - \$100.00 to FFA
- v. Masonic Lodge to Longfellow Elementary School - School Supplies valued at \$1,000.00
- vi. Marion First United Methodist Church to Jefferson - Backpacks valued at \$200.00
- vii. Southern FS to Marion High School - \$100.00 to FFA
- viii. Dollar Tree to Jefferson Elementary School - School Supplies valued at \$100.00

Personnel Recommendations

Motion #2: It was moved by Brice Wesley and seconded by Joseph Bleyer to approve the certified extra duty pay rate of \$30.00 per hour as presented. Motion carried.

Motion #3: It was moved by Brice Wesley and seconded by Jared Garrison to approve the following personnel recommendations as presented: Motion carried.

EMPLOYMENT:

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Certified

Employ John Belcher as Marion Junior High Interim Principal for no more than 120 days for the 2026-2027 school year.

Employ John Fletcher as Marion Junior High Interim Principal for no more than 120 days for the 2026-2027 school year.

Skylar Miller, 1st Grade Teacher assigned to Jefferson Elementary School, effective September 8, 2026.

Motion #4: It was moved by Brice Wesley and seconded by Joseph Bleyer to approve the following personnel recommendations as presented: Motion carried.

Non-Certified

Tabatha Carver, Elementary Instructional Assistant assigned to Washington Elementary School, effective for the 2026-2027 school year.

Leah Roper, Elementary Instructional Assistant assigned to Washington Elementary School, effective for the 2026-2027 school year.

Ashley Slinkard, Noon Supervisor assigned to Jefferson Elementary School, effective for the 2026-2027 school year.

Malia Fry, Noon Supervisor assigned to Lincoln Elementary School, effective for the 2026-2027 school year.

Deanna Goff, Noon Supervisor assigned to Lincoln Elementary School, effective for the 2026-2027 school year.

Andrea Green, Cook assigned to Marion Junior High School for 8 hours per day, effective August 14, 2026.

Ashley Meyers, Cook assigned to Marion High School for 6 hours per day, effective August 7, 2026.

Hunter Robinson, Noon Supervisor assigned to Longfellow Elementary School, effective August 19, 2026.

Jessica McComas, Elementary Instructional Assistant assigned to Adams School, effective for the 2026-2027 school year.

Donald Holman, 2nd Shift Custodian assigned to Marion High School, effective August 19, 2026.

Beth Marks, Cook assigned to Washington Elementary School for 8 hours per day, effective August 19, 2026.

Coaching

Stacey Rix, Adams Assistant Softball Coach, effective for the 2026-2027 school year.

Cora Rix, Adams Volunteer Assistant Softball Coach, effective for the 2026-2027 school year.

Mason Clough, Marion High School Volunteer Assistant Football Coach, effective for the 2026-2027 school year.

Stephen Webb, Marion High School Volunteer Assistant Football Coach, effective for the 2026-2027 school year.

Collin Hawthorne, Marion High School Volunteer Assistant Football Coach, effective for the 2026-2027 school year.

Rylan Gulley, Marion High School Volunteer Assistant Girls Tennis Coach, effective for the 2026-2027 school year.

Jade Nappier, Marion High School Assistant Girls Wrestling Coach, effective for the 2026-2027 school year.

Erika Kirkpatrick, Marion High School Volunteer Volleyball Coach, effective for the 2026-2027 school year.

Kaleigh Duenos, Marion Junior High School Yearbook Sponsor, effective for the 2026-2027 school year.

Shay Henshaw, Adams School Assistant Cross Country Coach, effective for the 2026-2027 school year.

Adam Robertson, Adams School Assistant Boys Basketball Coach, effective for the 2026-2027 school year.

Shawna Moulton, Marion Junior High School Robotics Assistant Coach, effective for the 2026-2027 school year.

RESIGNATIONS

Amy Travis, 1st Grade Teacher assigned to Jefferson Elementary School, effective October 16, 2026.

Cody Pauls, MHS Assistant Girls Track Coach, effective July 29, 2026.

Amy Skeate, MJHS Yearbook Sponsor, effective August 4, 2026.

Jaycee Giles, MJHS Assistant Girls Basketball Coach, effective August 5, 2026.

Reagan Woods, Noon Supervisor/Aftercats Supervisor assigned to Longfellow Elementary School, effective August 21, 2026.

Motion #5: It was moved by Brice Wesley and seconded by Joseph Bleyer to approve the following personnel recommendations as presented: Motion carried.

RETIREMENTS

Susan Sanders, Payroll Clerk assigned to the District Office, effective June 30, 2027.

Motion #6: It was moved by Brice Wesley and seconded by Joseph Bleyer to approve the following personnel recommendations as presented: Motion carried.

Anthony Stephens, Math Teacher assigned to Marion High School, intent to retire at the end of the 2030-2031 school year and implementing the terms of the most recent contract agreement with regards to the TRS adjustments.

Cynthia McCarty, 2nd Grade Teacher assigned to Washington Elementary School, intent to retire at the end of the 2030-2031 school year and implementing the terms of the most recent contract agreement with regards to the TRS adjustments.

Hassi Loucks, Guidance Counselor assigned to Adams School, intent to retire at the end of the 2030-2031 school year and implementing the terms of the most recent contract agreement with regards to the TRS adjustments.

Julie Maze, Music Teacher assigned to Marion Junior High School, intent to retire at the end of the 2030-2031 school year and implementing the terms of the most recent contract agreement with regards to the TRS adjustments.

2026-2027 Tentative Budget

Motion #7: It was moved by Joseph Bleyer and seconded by Brice Wesley to approve the 2026-2027 Tentative Budget as presented. Motion carried.

Board Policy Review

Review the following policies and vote at the September meeting: 2:30, 2:70-E Exhibit, 3:40, 3:50, 3:60, 3:70, 5:40, 5:70, 6:70, 6:80, 7:30, 7:80, 8:70, 2:120-E3 Exhibit, 2:220-E1 Exhibit, 2:220-E3 Exhibit, 2:220-E5 Exhibit, 2:230, 4:120, 4:175, 5:110, 5:140, 5:185, 5:240, 6:190, 7:130, 7:330, 7:345, 8:100

Bids and Proposals

Motion #8: It was moved by Joseph Bleyer and seconded by Jared Garrison to award the bid for Waste Removal for five years to Republic Services. Motion carried.

Interfund Loans

Motion #9: It was moved by Joseph Bleyer and seconded by Brice Wesley to authorize the treasurer to make interfund loans, if necessary, between existing funds, as provided in the Illinois School Code (105ILCS 5/10-22.33) for customary expenditures, including but not limited to payroll, utilities, and other regular monthly expenditures for fiscal year 2026-2027. Motion carried.

Administrative Leave w/ Pay 2 Year Agreement

Motion #10: It was moved by Brice Wesley and seconded by Joseph Bleyer to approve the agreement as presented subject to TRS's final review. Motion carried.

Technology Report

Summary of Jerry Stanley's activities:

- Continue to update Asset Inventory. New equipment and asset transfers.
- Tech Dept. is now set up to process Chromebook repairs through the insurance company.
- Continue working with TK Elevator Company on converting elevator POTS lines to fiber based lines.
- Updating SOPPA/DPA's (Student Data Privacy.)
- Received a second USAC/Erate reimbursement for MHS Cloud WIFI access for the 26-27 SY. \$17,199.36
- Creating new employee accounts.
- Worked Elem and Jr. High On-Site registration.
- Worked MHS grades 9 – 12 On-Site registration.
- Assisted with new teacher orientation.

Summary of Technology Staff activities:

- WIFI access point updates.
- Daily/Weekly processing of NEW Student registrations for the 26-27 school year.
- Continual monitoring of the WIFI to ensure peak performance.
- Updating digital curriculum through with Clever as Single Sign On.
- Continue to monitor Two Factor Authentication setup for new staff.
- Daily creation of new Google accounts and Infinite Campus accounts for new students.
- Responded 187 Tech Requests.

Communications Report

Summer Professional Training Attendance (Led Sessions)

A total of 171 participants attended training sessions

- Marion Unit 2 App (Session 1): 41 attendees
- Marion Unit 2 App (Session 2): 30 attendees
- Marion Unit 2 App (Session 3): 45 attendees
- Marion Unit 2 App @ MJHS: 42 attendees
- Google AI: 19 attendees
- Canva in the Classroom: 15 attendees
- Infinite Campus (Elementary): 7 attendees
- Infinite Campus (Secondary): 14 attendees
- New Teacher Orientation

Most Frequent Activities

Marion Unit 2 App Support & Communication

- 1,277 Apple downloads as of August 10, 2026
- 400 Android downloads as of August 10, 2026
- Developed family and teacher support materials (Getting Started Guides, FAQs, best

communication method rubrics).

- Created Google Form trouble tickets and managed Finals site support tickets.
- Provided orientation and email updates to attendees and administration.
- Attended MJHS orientation Social Media & Community Engagement
- Facebook, July 14-Aug 10
 - Net Followers +291% (8,094)
 - Total Views: +127% (161,527)
 - Visits: +183% (9,807)
 - Top Post: Back to School Information
 - 41 Messenger interactions
- Managed daily Facebook posts and responded to direct messages.
- Coordinated with staff regarding High School and Unit Office content and brand kits.
- Scheduled back-to-school welcome posts for students and teachers.

Website Management (Finals site)

- Attended 9 multiple Finals site website development webinars (Composer, pages, rights, calendars, chat).
- Updated district web pages, including Families, School Board, and elementary school faculty listings.

Marion Unit 2 Technology & Training Google Classroom

- Instructional resources related to Canva, Infinite Campus, Hapara, Promethean Boards, Brisk, Magic School AI, Google Suite

Digital Platform Integrations

- Coordinated single sign-on for 6-8 & HS Algebra 1A/1B math platforms and worked on contact log features.
- Canva brand kit creation
- Creation of frequently used digital platforms 1

Communications & Technology Coordinator Monthly Summary Report July 1 – August 14, 2026

Project / Initiative	Status	Notes / Progress
Computer Science Equity Grant (NOFO)	Completed	Submitted to ISBE
Summer PD Training	Completed	Delivered presentations and activity summaries.
Marion Unit 2 App with Chat Rollout	In Progress	Support materials created, ticketing systems active, and ongoing training

		hosted.
Website Redesign & Updates	In Progress	School Board pages updated; family sections and calendar integrations ongoing.
6-8 Math Curriculum Digital Platform Setup	In Progress	Single sign-on setup in progress with technical staff.
AI 2026–2027 Plan	Pending	Scheduled for future implementation planning.
Marion Unit 2 Communication Team	In Progress	Communicating with building principals about building representatives
Digital Platforms Analysis	In Progress	Begin looking at usage reports for digital platforms

Maintenance Report

With the school year finally underway, it has been a busy few days. The high humidity and record-breaking heat that we have not experienced since 2023 have certainly given the maintenance team an early challenge. Fortunately, the maintenance staff have really stepped up to address issues as safely and quickly as possible. There are still a few issues here and there, but we expect the majority of them to be resolved within the next week or two. I personally want to thank the district staff for their patience with the maintenance department and with me as we work through the various air-conditioning and building issues they may be experiencing. We appreciate everyone's understanding as we continue working to get everything operating properly.

Junior High School

East Gym Renovation

The East Gym renovation is approximately **90% complete**.

Completed or nearing completion:

- Ceiling painting and wall painting – 100% complete
- Handrail installation – 100% complete
- Bleacher installation – 50% complete; flip seats have been installed, with benches still on order
- New HVAC ductwork installation – 100% complete
- Installation of four new A/C rooftop units – 50% complete
- New stair treads – 100% complete
- Additional lighting – 100% complete
- Sound panel installation – 100% complete
- Wall pads – 0% complete; still waiting for delivery, TBD

- Deep cleaning – 70% complete
- Gym floor resurfacing – 0% complete; will be completed after all construction work is finished

East Restrooms

The East Restrooms are approximately 90% complete. We are still waiting on the restroom partitions, which are currently expected to arrive in approximately two weeks.

High School

Wilson Gym Sound System

The new Wilson Gym sound system was finalized last week. This will be a great addition to the gymnasium and will benefit everyone who uses the facility.

Adams School

The district currently has bid packets out for exterior wall and building-envelope sealing. This project will focus on addressing the exterior leaks the school has been experiencing.

The work will include:

- Caulking
- Wall sealing
- Paint sealing
- Weather-strip upgrades

Washington School

The Logan Gym roof has been replaced. We are still waiting for all of the remaining metal work to be completed.

Closing

Now that summer is over and the school year has begun, the maintenance and custodial departments have returned their focus to their daily and nightly routines. We will continue working to address outstanding projects while maintaining the buildings and facilities to the best of our ability.

Treasurer's Report

The District is 8.33% of the way through the fiscal year as of July 31, 2026 and has an ending balance of \$28,614,462.35.

Adjournment

Motion #11: It was moved by Joseph Bleyer and seconded by Brice Wesley to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 p.m. Motion carried.

Motion Number

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Lawler	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Whiteford	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Bundren	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Garrison	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Wesley	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y
Bleyer	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y
Mohr	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A

9/22/20

Date

Shannon Mohr

President

[Signature]

Secretary