

Approved: 12/13/2011

MARSHFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
MARSHFIELD SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
Seth Ventress Auditorium
November 29, 2011
7:00 p.m.

Ms. Morrison called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL

Mrs. Shrand	Absent
Ms. Morrison	Yes
Ms. Tracey	Yes
Mr. Scollins	Absent
Mrs. Currie	Yes

Also present was Supt. Scott Borstel, Asst. Supt. Ellen Martin, Director of Business & Finance, Thomas Miller, and Dr. Susan Dupuis, Director of Pupil Personnel.

Ms. Morrison extended condolences to Mrs. Shrand and her family on the loss of her mother.

SPOTLIGHT: PeaceBuilders Pledge Presented By Post Grad Program

Post Grad Student, Pat McCloud, recited and signed the PeaceBuilders Pledge. Principal Robert Keuther introduced Mr. Travis Dupuis of the Post Program along with all students. Mr. Keuther noted this transitional program includes both Marshfield and Duxbury students.

Mr. Dupuis highlighted the Post Program and noted Ryan had shot, edited, and filmed the PeaceBuilders DVD that was being presented this evening. Ryan also scored the music in the presentation.

Ms. Morrison requested a Point of Personal Privilege and thanked the MHS Building Committee, MPS Administration, the voters of Marshfield, and the New MHS Committee for their positive vote at Town Meeting. Mrs. Tracey and Mrs. Currie also thanked the voters for their support and volunteer efforts.

MHS Drama students, Kathleen Tobin and Mike Crowley invited all present to attend upcoming performance of CLUE on December 8, 9 or 10th at Furnace Brook Middle School at 7:00 p.m. Advance tickets are \$10 each.

II. INFORMATIONAL

Supt. Borstel updated the Committee on the following:

- Thanked hundreds of Marshfield residents that came together as one. Seventy percent of our community voted in favor of a new high school; however, we need to reach out to the 30% who did not vote in favor of our new high school.

- MHS Building Committee will work for the next four to five months putting together construction documents. Ground breaking could be in early September. Discussions will surround how the construction work will impact the outside of the current high school. Construction will impact our next Town Meeting, our sports programs, and parking. We will have proactive discussions.
- MHS Staff member, Ashley Stanford, will work with our seniors on a Pilot Internship Program sponsored by the Marshfield Chamber of Commerce. Mrs. Tracey has been active in getting this program up and running. The Internship Program will accept ten MHS seniors through an application and interview process. If accepted, students may be awarded a \$1,000 scholarship. Students will work 15 hours a week outside of school. Scholarships are paid by the Marshfield Chamber of Commerce.
- Marshfield was notified by DESE that our Race To The Top Grant was approved.
- MHS Principal Robert Keuther will be sending a letter to NEASC tomorrow requesting at their January 22 and 23 Board Meeting to decline moving MHS from 'warning' to 'probation' due to the Town Meeting vote. Marshfield has fulfilled our commitment in funding a new MHS. Mrs. Currie thanked Kate Tracey, Supt. Borstel, and Principal Keuther for this new Intern Program.

Asst. Supt. Martin updated the Committee on the following:

- Common Core workshops will take place this Tuesday.
- MCAS analysis is underway.
- Edline rollout to parents will take place in January. A pilot program will take place with a few MHS parents.
- Met with Martha Totman and Frank Conton to train bus drivers in PeaceBuilders.

Dr. Susan Dupuis updated the Committee on the following:

- SEPAC will next meet on January 11 with an overview presentation on Special Education.
- Marshfield has been selected to participate in an Essential Health Grant entitled 'Healthy Smiles' with presentations to all schools. Ninety families have signed up for this free service. Our thanks to Head Nurse, Anne Kelly.
- Kindergarten Registration: Administration will review Full Day Kindergarten tuition since parents register in January and February with outside organizations. We will revisit tuition fees and bring this to School Committee in early December. In looking at surrounding communities, our fees are low. Mr. Miller has done a comparison that we will bring forward. Registration

for Full Day Kindergarten will be in January with orientation and screening in April. All information will be reviewed with elementary principals.

Thomas Miller updated the Committee on the following:

- Recent article in Boston Globe.
- First Budget Subcommittee Meeting will be this Thursday.
- Two MHS students competed in the National Cross Country Competition and made the National Meet – Joel Hubbard and Kevin Thomas.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

IV. MINUTES

MOTION: Mrs. Currie moved to approve the minutes of November 8, 2011 as amended. Mrs. Tracey second. VOTE: 3-0-0.

MOTION: Mrs. Currie moved to approve the minutes of November 18, 2011 as amended. Mrs. Tracey second. VOTE: 3-0-0.

V. OLD BUSINESS

Marshfield High School DECA Trip: Supt. Borstel reviewed the DECA trip that was presented to the Committee on November 18. Ms. Stanford will have a confirmed number of students by the end of this week.

MOTION: Mrs. Tracey moved to approve the DECA trip to Port St. Lucie, Florida as presented by Advisor and students. Mrs. Currie second. VOTE: 3-0-0.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Marshfield High School American Field Service (AFS) Trip: Ms. Patricia Salamone and student Sara Barnhard outlined trip for Committee. MHS students will travel February 9 – 12, 2012 and attend Lisle High School on Friday of that week, returning on Sunday. MHS currently is hosting a student from Italy and one MHS student is studying in Belgium this year. Students and chaperones will pay their own flight and all traveling will stay with host families in Illinois.

This item will come forward to Committee for a second read on December 13.

MHS Cheerleading Competition: Coaches Mendes and Silva introduced four MHS students. Ms. Mendes gave Committee background on the National Competition being held in Orlando, Florida

from March 22 through 26. Twenty five students will attend with two coaches, four chaperones and one athletic trainer. All will pay their own flight and hotel. All students must be academically eligible. Cost of trip per person is \$1,000. Marshfield will be traveling with Hopkington Public Schools.

This item will come forward to Committee for a second read on December 13.

Data Presentation: Asst. Supt. Martin gave PowerPoint presentation on district data and analysis:

- MCAS Data – Spring 2011
- AYP (Annual Yearly Progress)
- Composite Performance Index
- PSAT Data
- SAT Data
- Advanced Placement enrollment
- Drop Out Rate
- Average Daily Attendance
- Middle School Students taking High School Level Courses
- Student Athletic Participation
- Student Performing Arts Participation
- Student Participation in School Clubs

This data presentation will be linked to our district web page.

VII. FUTURE MEETINGS

MHS American Field Service Trip
MHS Cheerleading National Competition
Full Day Kindergarten Tuition
FY'13 Budget

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Mrs. Currie moved to adjourn meeting at 9:15 p.m. Mrs. Tracey second. VOTE: 3-0-0.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Shrand	Absent
Ms. Morrison	Yes
Mr. Scollins	Absent
Ms. Tracey	Yes
Mrs. Currie	Yes

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruthann Despier
School Committee Secretary