

**MARCUM-ILLINOIS UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Monday, November 8, 2021

1. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Called to order at 6:04pm.

2. ROLL CALL – 6:02pm

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Alan Menigoz, Jeff Moore, Jill Bramhill, Keith Turner, Josh Wanner

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Occasionally an item requiring attention will arrive in the office after the agenda is posted. Items may be added to the agenda with 2/3-majority approval of the board. Items to be added will be made available to the public at the meeting.

Alan Menigoz motioned to approve the agenda as read. Jeff Moore seconded. Roll Call Vote 5-0.

4. SOUTH SUTTER CHARTER SCHOOL

Cynthia Rachel, shared a copy of the student created magazine: Creative Forces.

She updated the Board that current enrollment is at 2,502 students. This is up 18% from 2019 and 22% from 2018. They have received calls from many families concerned about the potential student vaccine mandate, trying to make plans for how they may want to respond.

The charter school has been using Genetworx for weekly staff Covid testing. The tests are being delivered directly to staff homes and they return it to any FedEx location. The company has been able to send sets of tests to cover multiple weeks at a time.

Preparations continue for the WASC visit coming this Spring.

In person math support classes have started at the Learning Center. This opportunity is focused on students who are below grade level in math. Additional online support is also being offered. Seniors are being offered FAFSA and college readiness workshops. Art classes and other new engagement opportunities are starting, but are still being held primarily online.

The South Sutter Charter School was recognized with a Pioneer award for advocacy at a conference recently.

5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Maggie Irby shared that the first trimester ended last Friday. Teachers are currently working on report cards. Mrs. Brazil helped make updates and improvements to the report cards, based on teacher feedback. Parent-teacher conferences will be held virtually next week.

This year's Winter Program will be virtual. There will be a livestream on Facebook as well as a recorded version sent home to families. Each class will still perform a song, and a virtual raffle will occur as well to support students going to Shady Creek.

Maggie updated the Board that we have still had only 4 positive Covid cases since the start of school. Families continue to do a great job of communicating close contacts and keeping students home as needed. We have had 35 total close contacts since August. The mitigations on campus are working well. There are currently 9 students out as close contacts. Teachers are working extra hard to maintain the short term independent studies to keep kids on track.

This was the fourth week doing weekly Covid testing for unvaccinated staff members. There have been no updates from the governor on pending vaccination mandates. The SSDA is urging schools to submit a resolution in support of parent choice for CDPH to consider before moving forward with a mandate.

Progress has been made on obtaining quotes for classroom carpet replacement. The first quote is in the low \$30,000 range for all 9 classrooms. Two additional quotes are coming soon.

Maggie applied for the Emergency Connectivity Fund, which is \$30,000 that would provide 90 new chrome books, and cover cost of hot spots for the rest of the year. We will only move forward with technology purchases if the funds are granted.

With this year's REAP funds, \$23,000, we ordered three new smartboards. The delivery timeframe is uncertain, hopefully here sometime in January. Upon installation, K-8th grade would all have the Smart TVs – Preschool and TK older versions are still working.

On October 18th, the day of the anti-vaccine mandate walk out, 42 students were absent with no reason given or specifically mentioned the protest as their reason. These absences represented 23% of the student body and cost the school an estimated \$2,300 in loss of funds. Maggie hopes to offer Saturday school make up sessions in January or February. She expressed her gratitude that all our staff came to work that day.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Any item on the Consent Agenda may be considered separately at the request of a board member.

6.1 Approval of Minutes: October 11, 2021

6.2 Approval of Monthly Warrants: 4955, 5017, 5064, 5110

6.3 Williams Act: 0 Complaints

6.4 Enrollment Report:

*Marcum-Illinois Elementary School Enrollment**

TK	K	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	Sixth	Seventh	Eighth	Total
6	18	19	20	21	21	23	19	17	18	182

*Marcum-Illinois Preschool Enrollment**

Full Time 16

Part Time 7

**As of 11/2/21*

Keith Turner motioned to approve. Alan Menigoz seconded. Roll Call Vote 5-0.

7. ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR DISCUSSION

None.

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

8.1. Public Hearing Regarding MIUSD and MITA Collective Bargaining Agreement Amendment Negotiations

Public Hearing regarding the District's and Marcum-Illinois Teacher Association's proposals for the Amendment to the Collective Bargaining Agreement and the Public Disclosure related to the proposed agreement

Maggie Irby reported that when shared with the county for review, no comments were given.

Public hearing was opened at 6:30pm.

Tami Ortega shared a letter representing the Marcum-Illinois Teachers Association. She expressed appreciation of the Board's commitment to maintaining single-grade classrooms, but pointed out that certificated employees are still toward the bottom of comparative salary schedules with other schools in the county. The MITA feels that classified employees are paid at an equal or greater level to surrounding schools, and requests that competitive certificated salaries become a priority to the Board moving forward.

Public hearing was closed at 6:33pm.

9. INFORMATION ITEMS

9.1 Local Control Accountability Plan

Updates due to recommendations from Sutter County Superintendent of Schools regarding language for compliance

9.2 ESSER III Expenditure Plan

Update due to increased allocation from \$14,081 to \$14,091

9.3 Educator Efficiency Block Grant Plan

Funding for county offices of education, school districts, charter schools, and state special schools for professional learning for teachers, administrators, paraprofessionals that work with pupils, and classified staff that interact with pupils. Funds are allocated based on FTE and recipients must prepare a plan for expending the funds between 2021-2022 and 2025-2026. Expenditures will be reported to CDE in 2026. The plan must be reviewed at a Board meeting as an informational item and then approved at a subsequent Board meeting.

10. ACTION ITEMS

10.1 Reconfirmation of Internet Safety Policy

In order to participate in E-Rate and be eligible for funding sources related to E-Rate, the District must certify that they have an Internet Safety Policy that includes technology protection measures related to the Children's Internet Protection Act. This is a reconfirmation of the District's Internet Safety Policy to ensure CIPA compliance.

Alan Menigoz motioned to approve. Josh Wanner seconded. Roll Call Vote 5-0.

11. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

"No action or discussion shall be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda except the Members of the Board or the Marcum-Illinois Union Elementary School District Staff may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed. As the Board discusses agenda items, audience participation is permitted. The president will recognize those members of the audience who wish to speak. If necessary, each person wishing to speak will be asked to identify himself prior to speaking. Individual speakers shall be allowed three minutes to address the Board on each agenda or non-agenda item. The president shall limit the total time for public input on each item to 20 minutes. With Board consent, the president may increase or decrease the time allowed for public presentation, depending on the topic and the number of persons wishing to be heard. Generally, the president will ask board members for their remarks prior to recognizing requests to speak from the audience. At the president's discretion, agenda items may be considered in other than numerical order." Board Policy (Bylaws) 9323

Maggie Irby shared an email from Shasta Ford, thanking the Board for the increase to the classified salary schedule. Shasta's email also provided an update for the Board on happenings in the School Lunch program.

12. NEXT BOARD MEETING

- **December 13, 2021**

6:41pm

13. CLOSED SESSION

- *Government Code Section 54957.6
Conference with labor negotiator
Name of negotiator: Maggie Irby
Unrepresented employees: Certificated Employees/Classified Employees*
- *Government Code 54957 – Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint*

14. REPORT OUT FROM CLOSED SESSION

The Board approved the Certificated Salary Schedule as negotiated with MITA
Alan Menigoz motioned to approve. Jill Bramhill seconded. Roll Call Vote 5-0.

The Board approved an off-schedule salary bonus of 3% to all employees.
Alan Menigoz motioned to approve. Jeff Moore seconded. Roll Call Vote 5-0.

15. ADJOURNMENT

8:05pm