

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

**AGENDA  
Monday, January 10, 2022**

**1. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

*Called to order at 6:01*

**2. ROLL CALL**

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

*BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Alan Menigoz*

**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.

*Jeff Moore motioned to approve the agenda with the addition of item 5A: Student Body Representative Report and moving the South Sutter Charter School report to follow the Superintendent's Report. Keith Turner seconded. Roll Call Vote 4-0.*

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

5A: Student Body Report

*Mattias Vasquez, the student council president, shared that the student body is doing great this year, and that the student council members have been doing a good job with the video morning announcements.*

5B: Superintendent's Update

*Maggie Irby shared that we had a great first week back from winter break.*

*Since August, there have been 16 positive Covid-19 cases on campus, 5 staff and 11 students. Four of these cases have been within the last two weeks, and these four cases had a total of 38 identified close contacts. This is more than usual, as many of the cases were in preschool and the mixed middle school cohort. There has still been no on-campus transmission to close contacts. There were 18 individuals who were either positive or close contacts over winter break, but they were not on campus. We were able successfully communicate with these individuals and provide tests to them. Maggie sent reminders to the school community about expectations on campus and staying home when ill or in close contact, and out educational partners continue to communicate with us promptly and follow those expectations.*

*Our state funded Emergency Connectivity Fund grant for \$27,955 was approved. This grant will allow us to purchase 90 new Chromebooks and will cover the hot spot fees for the remainder of the school year. The Chromebooks and hot spots will support being prepared for distance learning and independent study as needed.*

*There is a state funded grant for kitchen infrastructure that will provide a minimum of \$25,000 for the purpose of equipping school kitchens to accommodate the number of meals being provided. Shasta Ford is working to identify how the funds could best be utilized for our campus kitchen.*

*The Board Resolution regarding the Marcum-Illinois School Board's request that the state recommend, rather than require, Covid-19 vaccination for students was sent to all pertinent government agencies and representatives. There has still been no update to this potential vaccine mandate since the governor first announced it in October of 2021.*

*The governor announced the proposed budget for next year. There appears to be an increase in funding for schools. It seems that there are not as many specific/restricted funds and most of the added funding is going to general LCFF funds. This will allow us more local control in deciding the best way to utilize the funds for our students. There is a 5.33% COLA estimated for next year.*

#### **4. SOUTH SUTTER CHARTER SCHOOL**

*Cynthia Rachel shared facility updates from Brandy and John. They expressed gratitude for Marcum's willingness to partner with the charter school to provide meals for the special education students meeting at the Learning Center in the mornings. South Sutter is also working with local law enforcement to explore options for Active Shooter training for the librarians on site at the Learning Center. The Learning Center is currently being used for math intervention groups, special education, and as a junior ROTC training location.*

*South Sutter Charter School's enrollment numbers are steady. The number of seniors will decrease as some students will graduate at the end of January. Open enrollment will begin in February and close in March. The hope is that holding the enrollment lottery earlier will generate more accurate numbers for hiring purposes. Virtual information sessions are also being offered every 2 weeks, with a daytime option added to ensure accessibility for all.*

*Planning is happening for the WASC visit in February. The representatives will visit the Learning Center and will also travel to see some student interactions with staff members. These visits will happen as much as Covid protocols and family comfort will allow.*

*Cynthia shared virtual club and engagement opportunities that are being offered both in person and online.*

*They are planning for in person graduation in May. The hope is to secure an outdoor facility so that the event can still take place regardless of potential changes to Covid guidelines.*

*Josh Wanner offered his support for coordinating active shooter training if the need arises.*

**5. CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**6.1 Approval of Minutes: December 13, 2021**

**6.2 Approval of Monthly Warrants: 5396, 5417**

**6.3 Williams Act Quarterly Report (October-December): 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	22	22	23	19	18	18	185

*Marcum-Illinois Preschool Enrollment\**

**Full Time 16**

**Part Time 7**

*\*As of 1/4/22*

*Josh Wanner motioned to approve all items in the consent agenda. Jill Bramhill seconded. Roll Call Vote 4-0.*

**6. ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR DISCUSSION**

*None.*

**7. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**8.1 Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan (“Reopening Plan”)**

*The District is expected to review and update this plan every 6 months. The Board is asked to review the plan as an information item this month, it will be brought back as an action item next month with any feedback from educational partners.*

*Maggie Irby explained the timeline for reviewing the document, ensuring there is enough time for the board and other educational partners to review it publicly. One change to the plan includes updated wording to represent that the school will follow the most recent guidelines, as they continue to update and change. Under board direction, we would also like to welcome volunteers back on campus if they are able to follow the same guidelines and protocols in addition to existing background check requirements (proof of vaccination or negative Covid-19 test result within 48 hours). The district would be able to provide testing for volunteers as needed.*

*Jeff Moore asked if any educational partners had expressed opposition to allowing volunteers on campus, and there has been no opposition to Maggie’s knowledge. Maggie added that welcoming volunteers would also benefit Parents Club in moving forward and helping with upcoming events like the Wildcat Run.*

*Maggie added that quarantine guidelines from the CDC have shifted, but the CDPH has not officially updated local guidance yet. The new CDC guidelines state that close contacts must still quarantine for 10 days, but isolation of a positive individual may be modified based on testing and symptoms.*

*Jeff Moore clarified that school masking guidance remains the same. CDPH reviewed their guidance for schools in November and no changes were made to the requirement for masking indoors on campus. A statewide mask mandate was also issued and extended through February that goes beyond the school setting.*

*Keith Turner presented the option of requiring campus volunteers to be vaccinated against Covid-19 but stated that his support would follow any relevant state guidance. Jill Bramhill presented the idea for volunteer testing to take place on campus the day that the volunteering will take place. Jill wants to have testing occur same day, on site at the district. (48 hours, if school doesn't have any it would allow parents time to test elsewhere).*

*Maggie will make edits to the volunteer section of the plan according to board input and post the draft online, allowing feedback from the public. Mrs. Brazil will also present the updated draft of the plan for feedback at the next School Site Council meeting.*

*Jeff Moore expressed his support and value of family and community input to help make these important decisions.*

## **8.2 2020-2021 School Accountability Report Card (SARC)**

*School Districts are required to post the School Accountability Report Card to their website and submit it CDE by February 1<sup>st</sup> each year. This year, CDE is late in providing data required in the SARC and is expected to provide appropriate data sometime in January. The information currently included is what we have to this point; we will add state provided data once it is provided and will post to the school website and submit it to CDE prior to February 1<sup>st</sup>.*

*Maggie Irby provided an overview of the contents of the SARC. Some information in the document comes from the state, and some she inputs directly. The state has delayed their update of the information, but it is expected to be released to fill in the remainder of the document sometime in January. It is not required for the SARC to come before the board – but Maggie values sharing the information with the Board.*

*Jeff questioned the number of N/A in the report. We took CAASP and did not need to use local assessments.*

## **9. ACTION ITEMS**

### **9.1. MIUSD Calendar for 2022-2023**

*MIUSD is asked to approve the calendar for the 2022-2023 school year.*

*The Board reviewed comments from the staff and compared the draft calendar to the approved calendar for East Nicolaus High School.*

*Jeff Moore motioned to modify the calendar draft to make 12/15/22 a full school day, 12/16/22 a minimum day, and 1/2/23 will be no school. Jill Bramhill seconded. Roll Call Vote 4-0.*

*Jeff Moore motioned to approve the revised 2022-2023 calendar. Keith Turner seconded. Roll Call vote 4-0.*

#### **10. 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*

*Emily Campouris expressed her concern for requiring volunteers to be tested the same day. Her concern is that the school may run into problems if a specific number of volunteers are needed/expected and are then unable to volunteer. She suggested volunteers be given 24 hours to test in advance so that if any test positive there is some notice to try to replace them. She also expressed that all volunteers should be required to test, regardless of vaccination status because many vaccinated individuals can still carry the Covid-19 virus.*

*Richele Gibson agreed with Emily that all volunteers should be tested, regardless of vaccination status.*

*Paula Villareal expressed her gratitude for all of the extra things that Maggie Irby and Courtney Brazil did throughout December that made the holiday season extra special for the students. The elves that visited from the North Pole brought much joy and excitement. They went above and beyond with extra additions to the holiday drive through to make it special for the students and families. Students have missed out on a lot because of the pandemic and resulting restrictions, and she wants the Board to know that our administrators are taking care of business and being amazing women. Jeff Moore added his appreciation of what Maggie and Courtney do all the time, not just in the holiday season. Tami Ortega added that in addition to being great administrators, they are also great moms.*

*Jeff Moore extended a special thanks to Ms. Campouris and Ms. Gibson for coming to provide input at tonight’s board meeting. The Board appreciates families taking the time to be heard at the meeting, as there have not been many attendees from the public recently.*

#### **11. NEXT BOARD MEETING**

- **February 14, 2022**

#### **12. 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*

**13. REPORT OUT FROM CLOSED SESSION**

*No report.*

**14. ADJOURNMENT**