

## **Board of Education**

December 14, 2011

The Special Meeting of the Board of Education of the Marathon Central School was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President F. Parker for the purpose of an update on the Capital Project.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Floyd Parker, Terrie Atwood, Katherine Bush, David Brandstadt, Dale Betts, Michael Gerber, and Glenn Gates

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Rebecca Stone, Karen Braman, Shelley Warnow, Cathy Schuler, Nancy LoPresti – District Clerk, and Larry Hayes, Matt Brubaker and Jim King.  
See attached sign in for community members present.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **CAPITAL PROJECT**

Matt Brubaker and Jim King of King and King Architects along with Larry Hayes were present to review the status of the Capital Project.

With no further business to discuss, L. Hayes, M. Brubaker and J. King exited at 6:59 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Marathon Central School was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President F. Parker.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

G. Gates moved and T. Atwood seconded motion to approve the minutes of the Board Meeting held on November 16, 2011.

**CARRIED 7-0**

### **BOARD OF EDUCATION GOALS**

President F. Parker read the 2011-2012 Board Goals

- 1. Foster mutually positive lines of communication between the Board of Education, Administrators, Teachers, Staff, Parents, Students and Community.*
- 2. Uphold an atmosphere of high standards, accountability, discipline, and mutual respect amongst the Board of Education, Administrators, Teachers, Staff, Parents, Students and Community*
- 3. Facilitate academic growth for all students in all content areas by providing resources and support to students, staff and administration.*

**Home & Careers Class** – R. Stone stated that the Healthy Cooking Home & Careers class prepared the refreshments for tonight.

**Yearbook Presentation** – M. Walker and R. Butterfield presented the financial status of the Year Book club. They have sold 44 ads and 180 yearbooks. They reviewed their plans of reaching their end goal of being in the black.

S. Warnow shared a yearbook proposal from LifeTouch, the current school photographers. This proposal would be for a 32 page yearbook for elementary school only at a much more reasonable price for elementary school. Members of the Board were in agreement for her to continue with the proposal for the 2011-2012 school year.

7:13 p.m. M. Walker and R. Butterfield exited.

**Bus Purchase Plan** – K. Julian, Head of Transportation, reviewed the current fleet, with the proposed replacement schedule for 2012-2013. Question and answer period followed. K. Braman will bring more information to the next meeting to allow them to vote at the next meeting.

**Comprehensive Building Safety Plan** – Upon the recommendation of K, Braman, D. Brandstadt moved and M. Gerber seconded motion to approve the Comprehensive Building Safety Plan for 2011-2012 School Year.

### **PERSONNEL**

**Substitutes** – Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, G. Gates moved and T. Atwood seconded motion to approve the following list of substitutes for the 2011-2012 school year.

Teacher	Whitney Fien
Teacher	Haily Dunn
Aide	Isaac Atwood

Café  
Cleaner

Brandy Wilson  
Diane Rutan

**CARRIED 6-0-1 Atwood**

**Staff Development** – Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, T. Atwood moved and G. Gates seconded motion to approve the attached list of Staff Development proposals for the 2011-2012 school year.

**CARRIED 7-0**

**Resignation** – Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, T. Atwood moved and K. Bush seconded motion to accept the resignation of Ethel Brown, effective December 30, 2011.

**CARRIED 7-0**

**BUSINESS/FINANCIAL**

**Bond Refunding Resolution**

Upon the recommendation of the Mark Vislosky of Fiscal Advisors, with the agreement of K. Braman, D. Betts moved and M. Gerber seconded motion approving the refinancing of the 2002 Serial Bonds once the present value (PV) savings rate reaches the optimum 2%. The district could recognize a savings of +\$40,000 while keeping the length of issue the same.

**CARRIED 6-0-1 Brandstadt**

**Credit Card Report** – K. Braman asked if there were any questions on the Credit Card report that was included in Board packets.

**Extra Classroom Report for October**

K. Braman asked if there were any questions on the Extra Classroom report for October that was included in their board packet.

**Cafeteria Profit and Loss** – K. Braman reviewed the cafeteria profit and loss report that was in their board packet.

**Financial Reports**

Upon the recommendation of the Business Manager, G. Gates moved and M. Gerber seconded motion to accept General Fund Warrant #21, 23 and 24 - Fund A, Cafeteria Fund Warrant #9, 10 - Fund C, Federal Fund Warrant #11 - Fund F. Capital Fund Warrant #9, 10 - Fund H, and the Internal Claims Auditor's report for November.

**CARRIED 7-0**

**Treasurer's Reports**

K. Braman stated that the Treasurer's Reports for November were available if anyone was interested in reviewing them.

**30 MINUTES RESERVED FOR PUBLIC INPUT**

**Gretchen Glezen** – shared her anger for the way her child's education was handled while in Marathon. Her child is back in Whitney Point and doing great.

**Don and Donna Jennison** asked the status of the Amish bussing. They spoke on behalf of the Amish and asked the district to reconsider their position on the transportation issue.

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF SPECIAL EDUCATION – C. Schuler**

**CSE Meeting of November 18, 2011** – G. Gates moved and T. Atwood seconded motion to accept the following RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Marathon Central School District accept the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education/Committee on Preschool Special Education, thereby agreeing to make necessary arrangements for program implementation for students as per attached.

**CARRIED 7-0**

**CSE Meeting of November 30, 2011** – T. Atwood moved and G. Gates seconded motion to accept the following RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Marathon Central School District accept the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education/Committee on Preschool Special Education, thereby agreeing to make necessary arrangements for program implementation for students as per attached.

**CARRIED 7-0**

**CSE Meeting of December 9, 2011** – T. Atwood moved and G. Gates seconded motion to accept the

following RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Marathon Central School District accept the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education/Committee on Preschool Special Education, thereby agreeing to make necessary arrangements for program implementation for students as per attached.

**CARRIED 7-0**

**CPSE Meeting of December 9, 2011** – T. Atwood moved and G. Gates seconded motion to accept the following RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Marathon Central School District accept the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education/Committee on Preschool Special Education, thereby agreeing to make necessary arrangements for program implementation for students as per attached.

**CARRIED 7-0**

#### **SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATES**

**Budget Calendar** - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, G. Gates moved and T. Atwood seconded motion to change the time of the February 20<sup>th</sup> Board meeting to 6:30 p.m. for the purpose of a community budget information meeting.

**CARRIED 7-0**

**External Diploma** – Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, with agreement of the High School Principal, and upon the receipt of verification of having completed all requirements, G. Gates moved and T. Atwood seconded motion approving an External diploma for Nicole DeRusso.

**CARRIED 7-0**

**Tax Levy Limit Update** – R. Stone reviewed the Tax Levy Limit Formula for the 2012-2013 school year, and a separate Tax Levy Limit formula for future years, as attached.

#### **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

##### **Board of Education Advisory Committee Reports**

**Policy** – R. Stone stated that she has scheduled Erie 1 BOCES to come to the January 11<sup>th</sup> board meeting to present the policy information.

**Health & Wellness** – T. Atwood and D. Brandstadt reviewed the minutes from the policy meeting held on November 9<sup>th</sup>, November 30<sup>th</sup>, and December 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Facilities** – Scheduled to meet on January 5<sup>th</sup> @ 5 p.m., in the Superintendent's office

**Financial Planning** – January 4<sup>th</sup> @ 5 p.m., in the Superintendent's office.

**Superintendent's Evaluation** – Informal meeting to discuss the Superintendent's evaluation at next meeting. Will have an official Superintendent's review in June. On January 11<sup>th</sup> the board will meet at 5:00 pm for a retirement dinner for Gus Carman and 6:00 pm. plan to have a Board workshop for the purpose of discussing the Superintendent's Evaluation, followed by a regular Board of Education meeting.

**Executive Session** – Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, M. Gerber moved and D. Brandstadt seconded motion to move to Executive Session at 8:59 p.m., for the purpose of discussing a personnel issue.

**CARRIED 7-0**

At 9:52 p.m., with no further business to be discussed in Executive Session, G. Gates moved and T. Atwood seconded motion to resume regular session.

**CARRIED 7-0**

**Adjourn** – At 9:43 p.m., with no further business to discuss in executive session, G. Gates moved and T. Atwood seconded motion to adjourn.

**CARRIED 7-0**

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Nancy LoPresti  
District Clerk