

**Marion Charter School  
Board Minutes  
Tuesday, January 25, 2022  
6:10 p.m.**

**Members present: Michelle Axson, Barbara Holland, and Sonya Williams**

**Public Present: Vicki Bosworth**

**Michelle Axson called the Board meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Michelle mentioned that Lori and Dan were unable to attend tonight's meeting, but that she would update them tomorrow on what will be discussed at tonight's meeting.**

**The minutes from the October 12, 2021 Board meeting were reviewed with a motion to accept the minutes being made by Barbara Holland, and the second motion being made by Sonya Williams.**

**First, Michelle presented the Board with Budget Revision #2. This revision of the budget was for 2 Afterschool grants in the amount of \$28,900. This grant money will be used to supplement Vicki and Donna's salary, as well as cover any costs associated with aftercare. Sonya Williams made the motion to accepted Revision #2, with the second motion being made by Barbara Holland.**

**Next, Michelle mentioned that the only staff changes that were made was that Angela Wells resigned to do her final internship with the county, and that our Art teacher, Cassandra Towner took her place as the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Aide.**

**Michelle then thanked the Board for approving the COVID vaccination bonus in the amount of \$200.00 for staff members who were vaccinated, and who completed the necessary paperwork. Michelle mentioned that 16 employees took advantage of the COVID vaccination bonuses.**

**Next, Michelle said that she met with Title I yesterday to do the Quarter 2 Chats, where they discussed the progress of her SIP/PFP goals. Michelle mentioned that the students were showing wonderful growth and that she hopes that they continue to strengthen their scores. Michelle also said that she was continuing to review the SIP/PFEP and making updates as needed.**

**Then, Michelle mentioned to the Board that she was looking into providing a one time \$1,000.00 dollar bonus to all of the Non-Instructional staff members after all of the Instructional staff members received a \$1,000.00 bonus from the State. Michelle mentioned that she has reached out to the county to see if her ESSER II Grant budget can be amended so that it would cover reimbursement of the Non-Instruct bonus. Michelle mentioned that she would keep the Board Members updated on this bonus.**

**Next, Michelle mentioned how she just received information on the next ESSER Grant (ESSER III). She mentioned that the next grant would be in the amount of \$641,552.40. Michelle said that the grant will disperse 2/3 of the money first, and then will disperse the remaining 1/3 at a later date. Michelle said that she has submitted a detailed breakdown of how the new grant money will be spent.**

**Michelle then talked about some events that have taken place since the last Board meeting:**

- **October 25<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>, Marion Charter celebrated Red Ribbon Week with Spirit Week activities each day! This year's theme was "Drug Free Looks Like Me!"**
- **On December 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, we had our Winter Festival Around the World, where each grade level chose a country, and students were able to learn interesting facts about each country, as well as complete a craft and sample some food from each country. Michelle said that the students really enjoyed themselves and shared pictures of the event with the Board Members. Sonya Williams had a wonderful idea that maybe next year we can provide each child with a passport that can be stamped as they visit each country.**

**Finally, Michelle talked about some upcoming events here at school:**

- **Kids Heart Challenge (Jump Rope For Heart) Kick Off will be Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> and the Showcase will be Fe. 14<sup>th</sup>.**
- **Michelle will have her annual Charter School presentation with the MCPS Board on March 3<sup>rd</sup>.**
- **Spring Break will be March 14<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>.**
- **March 25<sup>th</sup> our 5<sup>th</sup> graders will be going to Silver River for their annual outdoor curriculum day.**
- **Our 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders will be taking their Writing FSA test.**
- **On April 6<sup>th</sup> and April 7<sup>th</sup>, our 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students will be taking their Session 1 and Session 2 Reading FSA test.**

**The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 12, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.**

**The meeting was adjourned at 6:36 p.m.**