

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

The Board of Education of the Marissa Community Unit School District #40 met in regular session on Monday, July 20, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. in the Conference Room of the Central Office at 215 North Street, Marissa, IL.

**No. 7474  
Agenda Item 1  
Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Thomas-Rehmer followed by the Pledge Allegiance.

**No. 7475  
Agenda Item 2  
Roll Call**

Present: Mmes.: Bingel, Kimbrow, Monbrum, Thomas-Rehmer  
Messrs.: Parker  
Absent: Messrs.: Brazinski, Lehman

Administrators present: Mr. Cogdill, Mr. Deets, Mr. Heuring

Others present: Deanna Gilley, Jane Schaeffer, Cheryl Harriman

**No. 7476  
Agenda Item 3  
Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made by Mrs. Monbrum, seconded by Mr. Parker to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call:

Mrs. Bingel	Aye
Ms. Kimbrow	Aye
Mrs. Monbrum	Aye
Mr. Parker	Aye
Mrs. Thomas-Rehmer	Aye

Aye – 5 Nay – 0 Absent – 2 Motion carried.

**No. 7477  
Agenda Item 4  
Recognition of Public**

None

**No. 7478  
Agenda Item 5  
Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Mrs. Bingel, seconded, by Ms. Kimbrow to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Roll call:

Mrs. Bingel	Aye
Ms. Kimbrow	Aye
Mrs. Monbrum	Aye
Mr. Parker	Aye
Mrs. Thomas-Rehmer	Aye

Aye – 5 Nay – 0 Absent – 2 Motion carried.

**No. 7479  
Agenda Item 6  
Approval of Bills Payable**

A motion was made by Mrs. Bingel seconded by Mr. Parker to approve the payment of bills payable for June as presented. Roll call:

Mrs. Bingel	Aye
Ms. Kimbrow	Aye

Mrs. Monbrum Aye  
Mr. Parker Aye  
Mrs. Thomas-Rehmer Aye

Aye – 5 Nay – 0 Absent – 2 Motion carried.

**No. 7480**  
**Agenda Item 7**  
**Secretary Correspondence**

A thank you note was read by Mrs. Monbrum from the family of Julietta Bottiaux, a letter of request from the Coal Festival Committee, and a letter from Lebanon C.U.S.D. #9.

**No. 7481**  
**Agenda Item 8**  
**Action Items**

*Review Committee*

Mrs. Bingel and Mr. Parker volunteered to serve as the committee to review the closed session minutes.

*Cafeteria Bids*

Mrs. Gilley was in attendance and gave an explanation of the submitted bids. She provided a list with the low bid items highlighted, indicating her recommendation. A motion was made by Mrs. Bingel, seconded by Mrs. Monbrum to approve the cafeteria bids as submitted. Roll call:

Mrs. Bingel Aye  
Ms. Kimbrow Aye  
Mrs. Monbrum Aye  
Mr. Parker Aye  
Mrs. Thomas-Rehmer Aye

Aye – 5 Nay – 0 Absent – 2 Motion carried.

*Grant Applications*

Mr. Cogdill reported that four of the five grants which were submitted have been approved. The amount that each grant will be given will be determined after the state budget has been completed. A motion was made by Mrs. Monbrum, seconded by Mrs. Bingel to approve the grant applications. Roll call:

Mrs. Bingel Aye  
Ms. Kimbrow Aye  
Mrs. Monbrum Aye  
Mr. Parker Aye  
Mrs. Thomas-Rehmer Aye

Aye – 5 Nay – 0 Absent – 2 Motion carried.

*Transfer of Funds*

Mr. Cogdill explained that upon the receipt of the designated FY09 state monies, there is a need to transfer \$100,000.00 from the Building Fund, \$163,000.00, (which is designated as TIF monies) from the Education Fund, into an investment account. Also, \$130,000.00 (which is the amount of ARRA funds) that will be received only one year, should be invested in order for funds to be available in FY11 for the

salaries of the ESP's who were paid from those funds in FY10. A motion was made by Mrs. Monbrum, seconded by Mrs. Bingel to transfer \$100,000.00 from the Building Fund and \$230,000.00 from the Education Fund into investment accounts with Illinois Funds at the receipt of the FY09 obligations from the state of Illinois. Roll call:

Mrs. Bingel	Aye
Ms. Kimbrow	Aye
Mrs. Monbrum	Aye
Mr. Parker	Aye
Mrs. Thomas-Rehmer	Aye

Aye – 5 Nay – 0 Absent – 2 Motion carried.

*Tax Levy*

Mr. Cogdill has discovered that the district lost 2.5 million in EAV. This decrease in EAV will cause an increase in taxes. If he is given permission to amend the levy, to levy for only what is needed, it will help the tax payers by correcting the surpluses. If the levy is amended by \$85,000.00, it would be a savings to the tax payers of \$29.00 per thousand. A motion was made by Mrs. Monbrum, seconded by Mr. Parker to amend the tax levy by \$85,000.00. Roll call:

Mrs. Bingel	Aye
Ms. Kimbrow	Aye
Mrs. Monbrum	Aye
Mr. Parker	Aye
Mrs. Thomas-Rehmer	Aye

Aye – 5 Nay – 0 Absent – 2 Motion carried.

*Coal Festival Parade*

A motion was made by Mr. Parker, seconded by Mrs. Monbrum to grant permission for use of the Jr./Sr. High grounds for the Coal Festival parade.

Aye – 5 Nay – 0 Absent – 2 Motion carried.

*Auditor's Agreement*

A motion was made by Mrs. Bingel, seconded by Mr. Parker to enter into a three-year service agreement with the current audit firm of Allison, Knapp & Siekmann. Roll call:

Mrs. Bingel	Aye
Ms. Kimbrow	Aye
Mrs. Monbrum	Aye
Mr. Parker	Aye
Mrs. Thomas-Rehmer	Aye

Aye – 5 Nay – 0 Absent – 2 Motion carried.

*Security Service Contract*

A motion was made by Mr. Parker, seconded by Mrs. Bingel to continue the contractual agreement for security services for the District with Simplex/Grinnell. Roll call:

Mrs. Bingel	Aye
Ms. Kimbrow	Aye
Mrs. Monbrum	Aye
Mr. Parker	Aye
Mrs. Thomas-Rehmer	Aye

Aye – 5 Nay – 0 Absent – 2 Motion carried.

*Athletic Field Renovations*

Mr. Cogdill met with several individuals to discuss the condition of the high school baseball field. There are three large areas where water lays in the outfield. There are volunteers from the community who are willing to donate equipment, chemicals and time to work on the field in order to bring it back to its original first-rate status. Mr. Cogdill will get two bids.

*School Lunch Prices*

Discussion was held on the proposed lunch prices for FY10. A motion was made by Mr. Parker, seconded by Ms. Kimbrow to approved the suggested lunch prices as follows: Student Breakfast \$1.25, Adult Breakfast \$1.50, K-6 Lunch \$2.10, Jr./Sr. High Lunch \$2.50, Adult Lunch \$3.00. Roll call:

Mrs. Bingel	Aye
Ms. Kimbrow	Aye
Mrs. Monbrum	Aye
Mr. Parker	Aye
Mrs. Thomas-Rehmer	Aye

Aye – 5 Nay – 0 Absent – 2 Motion carried.

*SDS Parental Portal/Access*

Mr. Cogdill requested that the Board allow the administrators to survey the parents during registration and seventh grade orientation to determine how many families have access to computers and the number interested in having access to their child(ren)'s grades on line. If the results indicate that there is a desire, action can be taken at a future meeting.

**No. 7482  
Agenda Item 9  
Board Reports**

None

**No. 7483**

*Mr. Deets*

None

**Agenda Item 10  
Administrator Reports**

*Mr. Heuring*

An explanation of the reports which he will submit monthly was given, which will include a schedule of upcoming events. He and Mrs. Birch will be working on class schedules on July 27<sup>th</sup>, and he is also investigating the possibility of Pod Casting for student use.

*Mr. Cogdill*

None

**No. 7484  
Agenda Item 11  
Personnel**

A letter of resignation was from Sherra Johnson, and letters regarding coaching positions from Justin Maynard and Tiffany Wilson were read.

**No. 7485  
Agenda Item 12  
Closed Session**

At 8:45 P.M., a motion was made by Mrs. Bingel seconded by Ms. Kimbrow to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity and student disciplinary cases. Roll Call:

Mrs. Bingel	Aye
Ms. Kimbrow	Aye
Mrs. Monbrum	Aye
Mr. Parker	Aye
Mrs. Thomas-Rehmer	Aye

Aye – 5 Nay – 0 Absent – 2 Motion carried.

At 10:55 P.M., a motion was made by Mr. Parker, seconded by Mrs. Monbrum to come out of executive session. Roll call:

Mrs. Bingel	Aye
Ms. Kimbrow	Aye
Mrs. Monbrum	Aye
Mr. Parker	Aye
Mrs. Thomas-Rehmer	Aye

Aye – 5 Nay – 0 Absent – 2 Motion carried.

**No. 7486  
Agenda Item 13  
Action on Item 12**

A motion was made by Mr. Parker, seconded Mrs. Bingel to employ Mrs. Karen Schenewerk as the high school Biology teacher, Step 5 Level 4. Roll call:

Mrs. Bingel	Aye
Ms. Kimbrow	Aye
Mrs. Monbrum	Aye

Mr. Parker Aye  
Mrs. Thomas-Rehmer Aye  
Aye – 5 Nay – 0 Absent – 2 Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Monbrum, seconded by Mr. Parker to accept the resignation of Mrs. Sherra Johnson as the high school Business teacher. Roll call:

Mrs. Bingel Aye  
Ms. Kimbrow Aye  
Mrs. Monbrum Aye  
Mr. Parker Aye  
Mrs. Thomas-Rehmer Aye

Aye – 5 Nay – 0 Absent – 2 Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Bingel, seconded by Ms. Kimbrow to assign Mr. Danny Beck to teach two hours of Jr. High Keyboarding and his remaining hours to Title Math, authorizing building principals to adjust class schedules accordingly. Roll call:

Mrs. Bingel Aye  
Ms. Kimbrow Aye  
Mrs. Monbrum Aye  
Mr. Parker Aye  
Mrs. Thomas-Rehmer Aye

Aye – 5 Nay – 0 Absent – 2 Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Parker, seconded by Mrs. Bingel to involuntarily transfer Mrs. Stefanie Pitchford to the positions of Spanish Teacher's Aide for three (3) hours, Elementary Library Aide three (3) hours, and Jr./Sr. High Library Aide one (1) hour. Roll call:

Mrs. Bingel Aye  
Ms. Kimbrow Aye  
Mrs. Monbrum Aye  
Mr. Parker Aye  
Mrs. Thomas-Rehmer Aye

Aye – 5 Nay – 0 Absent – 2 Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Bingel, seconded by Ms. Kimbrow to approve a 2% salary increase to all non-certified staff members and administrators for the FY10 fiscal year, retro active to July 1, 2009 for the twelve month employees. Roll call:

Mrs. Bingel Aye  
Ms. Kimbrow Aye  
Mrs. Monbrum Aye  
Mr. Parker Aye

Mrs. Thomas-Rehmer Aye  
Aye – 5 Nay – 0 Absent – 2 Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Bingel, seconded by Mr. Parker to appoint Mrs. Katie Peck as the Jr. High Varsity Softball coach for the FY10 season. Roll call:

Mrs. Bingel Aye  
Ms. Kimbrow Aye  
Mrs. Monbrum Aye  
Mr. Parker Aye  
Mrs. Thomas-Rehmer Aye

Aye – 5 Nay – 0 Absent – 2 Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Bingel, seconded by Ms. Kimbrow to appoint Mrs. Karen Schenewerk as the High School Varsity Volleyball coach for the FY10 season. Roll call:

Mrs. Bingel Aye  
Ms. Kimbrow Aye  
Mrs. Monbrum Aye  
Mr. Parker Aye  
Mrs. Thomas-Rehmer Aye

Aye – 5 Nay – 0 Absent – 2 Motion carried.

Due to the lack of a letter of interest in the Girl's Cross Country coach position and the District Web Master, action will be taken at a later date.

A motion was made by Mr. Parker, seconded by Mrs. Monbrum to appoint Mr. Justin Maynard as the Girl's Golf coach for the FY10 season. Roll call:

Mrs. Bingel Aye  
Ms. Kimbrow Aye  
Mrs. Monbrum Aye  
Mr. Parker Aye  
Mrs. Thomas-Rehmer Aye

Aye – 5 Nay – 0 Absent – 2 Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Bingel, seconded by Ms. Kimbrow to appoint Ms. Tiffany Wilson as the High School Cheerleading coach for the FY10 season. Roll call:

Mrs. Bingel Aye  
Ms. Kimbrow Aye  
Mrs. Monbrum Aye  
Mr. Parker Aye  
Mrs. Thomas-Rehmer Aye

Aye – 5 Nay – 0 Absent – 2 Motion carried.

**No. 7487**  
**Agenda Item 14**  
**Adjournment**

A special meeting for the purpose of finalizing unfilled positions for the FY10 school year was called by Mrs. Thomas-Rehmer for Thursday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 P.M.

At 11:10 P.M., a motion was made by Mr. Parker, seconded by Ms. Kimbrow to adjourn the meeting.

Aye – 5 Nay – 0 Absent – 2 Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Cheryl Harriman, Recording Secretary

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Mary Thomas-Rehmer, President

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Joan Monbrum, Secretary