

[Marion County Board of Education Regular Meeting]
[December 11, 2025] [5:30 p.m.]
[Calvary Elementary School, 3345 State Hwy 208, Lebanon, KY 40033]

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Attendance Taken at 5:24 PM:

Present Board Members:

Mrs. Carrie Truitt
Mrs. Peggy Downs
Mr. Joey Lee
Ms. Deborah Spalding
Mr. Terry Mills

I. Call to Order

Chairperson Carrie Truitt called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

I.A. Approve/Amend December 11, 2025 Board Meeting Agenda

Motion Passed: Approval of the December 11, 2025 Board Meeting Agenda passed with a motion by Mr. Joey Lee and a second by Mrs. Peggy Downs.

Mrs. Carrie Truitt	Yes
Mrs. Peggy Downs	Yes
Mr. Joey Lee	Yes
Ms. Deborah Spalding	Yes
Mr. Terry Mills	Yes

II. Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by CES students

III. Communications

III.A. Public Comment

No one was present for public comment.

III.B. CES Student Presentation

Several CES students showcased their artwork and STEM projects.

III.C. Student Recognition

MCHS Golf

Landon Bradshaw, Jacob Tingle and Sam Abell were recognized for their accomplishments at state.

CES Beta

Owen Thompson was recognized for placing 6th in the nation in Math.

MCHS Beta

Sponsor Jamie Brown introduced Harper Blake who was representing the Musicology team, who placed 2nd in the nation.

Ms. Brown also introduced Kenlee Shewmaker who was representing the Scrapbook team, who placed 9th in the nation.

Anna Allender who placed 10th in Pottery-Division 2 was recognized.

MCHS was also named the National Outstanding Leadership School for 2024-25 and was recognized on-stage.

III.D. Superintendent Report (Attachment #1)

III.E. Attendance & Enrollment Report

Director of Pupil Personnel Angie Akers reported that today 3016 students are enrolled district wide in Marion County Public Schools. Attendance for the month of November was 93.87%.

III.F. Finance Report

Director of Operations Scott Spalding gave the financial report for November 2025.

III.G. KSA Academic Performance Presentation

Dana Thomas, David Gibson and elementary, middle and high school principals gave the KSA Academic Performance presentation.

IV. Student Learning Services

IV.A. Consider approval of MCPS CDIP (Comprehensive District Improvement Plan)

Motion Passed: Approval of MCPS CDIP (Comprehensive District Improvement Plan) passed with a motion by Mrs. Peggy Downs and a second by Mr. Joey Lee.

Mrs. Carrie Truitt	Yes
Mrs. Peggy Downs	Yes
Mr. Joey Lee	Yes
Ms. Deborah Spalding	Yes
Mr. Terry Mills	Yes

IV.B. Consider approval of shortened school day for student #16-026

Motion Passed: Approval of shortened school day for student #16-026 passed with a motion by Mr. Joey Lee and a second by Ms. Deborah Spalding.

Mrs. Carrie Truitt	Yes
Mrs. Peggy Downs	Yes
Mr. Joey Lee	Yes
Ms. Deborah Spalding	Yes
Mr. Terry Mills	Yes

IV.C. Consider approval of Student Welfare and Wellness Policy #09.2

Motion Passed: Approval of Student Welfare and Wellness Policy #09.2 passed with a motion by Ms. Deborah Spalding and a second by Mr. Terry Mills.

Mrs. Carrie Truitt	Yes
Mrs. Peggy Downs	Yes
Mr. Joey Lee	Yes
Ms. Deborah Spalding	Yes
Mr. Terry Mills	Yes

IV.D. Consider approval of the 2026 Board Meeting Schedule (Attachment #2)

Motion Passed: Approval of the 2026 Board Meeting Schedule (Attachment #2) passed with a motion by Mr. Terry Mills and a second by Mrs. Peggy Downs.

Mrs. Carrie Truitt	Yes
Mrs. Peggy Downs	Yes
Mr. Joey Lee	Yes
Ms. Deborah Spalding	Yes
Mr. Terry Mills	Yes

IV.E. First Reading of the 2027-28 School Calendar

IV.F. Consider approval of resolution regarding Lebanon Elementary School

Motion Passed: Approval of resolution regarding Lebanon Elementary School passed with a motion by Mrs. Peggy Downs and a second by Ms. Deborah Spalding.

Mrs. Carrie Truitt	Yes
Mrs. Peggy Downs	Yes
Mr. Joey Lee	Yes
Ms. Deborah Spalding	Yes
Mr. Terry Mills	Yes

V. Student Support Services

V.A. Consider approval of Design Development Documents, including drawings, BG-2 & BG-3, for the Marion Co ATC project BG# 25-341 and submit to KDE for review/approval

Motion Passed: Approval of Design Development Documents, including drawings, BG-2 & BG-3, for the Marion Co ATC project BG# 25-341 and submit to KDE for review/approval passed with a motion by Mr. Joey Lee and a second by Mrs. Peggy Downs.

Mrs. Carrie Truitt	Yes
Mrs. Peggy Downs	Yes
Mr. Joey Lee	Yes
Ms. Deborah Spalding	Yes
Mr. Terry Mills	Yes

V.B. Consider approval of Pay App #3 in the amount of \$25,740.61 for the Marion County Schools Parking Lot, BG 25-345

Motion Passed: Approval of Pay App #3 in the amount of \$25,740.61 for the Marion County Schools Parking Lot, BG 25-345 passed with a motion by Ms. Deborah Spalding and a second by Mr. Terry Mills.

Mrs. Carrie Truitt	Yes
Mrs. Peggy Downs	Yes
Mr. Joey Lee	Yes
Ms. Deborah Spalding	Yes
Mr. Terry Mills	Yes

V.C. Consider approval of BG-5 for the Marion County High School Practice Soccer Field, BG# 25-066

Motion Passed: Approval of BG-5 for the Marion County High School Practice Soccer Field, BG# 25-066 passed with a motion by Mr. Terry Mills and a second by Ms. Deborah Spalding.

Mrs. Carrie Truitt	Yes
Mrs. Peggy Downs	Yes
Mr. Joey Lee	Yes
Ms. Deborah Spalding	Yes
Mr. Terry Mills	Yes

V.D. Consider approval of BG-5 for the Guaranteed Energy Savings Contract for HVAC replacements at Marion Co Middle School and Glasscock Elementary School BG# 24-415

Motion Passed: Approval of BG-5 for the Guaranteed Energy Savings Contract for HVAC replacements at Marion Co Middle School and Glasscock Elementary School BG# 24-415 passed with a motion by Mrs. Peggy Downs and a second by Mr. Joey Lee.

Mrs. Carrie Truitt	Yes
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Mrs. Peggy Downs	Yes
Mr. Joey Lee	Yes
Ms. Deborah Spalding	Yes
Mr. Terry Mills	Yes

V.E. Consider approval of BG-4 for the Glasscock Elementary masonry and window replacement project BG# 24-122

Motion Passed: Approval of BG-4 for the Glasscock Elementary masonry and window replacement project BG# 24-122 passed with a motion by Ms. Deborah Spalding and a second by Mrs. Peggy Downs.

Mrs. Carrie Truitt	Yes
Mrs. Peggy Downs	Yes
Mr. Joey Lee	Yes
Ms. Deborah Spalding	Yes
Mr. Terry Mills	Yes

V.F. Consider acceptance of bids for the geothermal test well services for the Marion Co. Area Technology Center project BG# 25-341 (Attachment #3)
This item was tabled.

V.G. Consider approval to award the geothermal test well services for the Marion Co. Area Technology Center project BG# 25-341 This item was tabled.

V.H. Consider approval of bus purchases

Two 72 Passenger International buses at \$178,488.00 each. Bus 271 and 272.

Motion Passed: Approval of bus purchases passed with a motion by Mr. Joey Lee and a second by Mrs. Peggy Downs.

Mrs. Carrie Truitt	Yes
Mrs. Peggy Downs	Yes
Mr. Joey Lee	Yes
Ms. Deborah Spalding	Yes
Mr. Terry Mills	Yes

V.I. Acknowledgement of field trips

MCHS Basketball Christmas Tournament in Bath County - 12/27/25 - 12/29/25

MCHS Band to Morehead, KY for a Honors Band Clinic - 2/12/26 - 2/14/26

VI. Student Learning & Support Consent Items

Motion Passed: Approval of all consent agenda items VI A-N passed with a motion by Mr. Joey Lee and a second by Mrs. Peggy Downs.

Mrs. Carrie Truitt	Yes
Mrs. Peggy Downs	Yes
Mr. Joey Lee	Yes
Ms. Deborah Spalding	Yes
Mr. Terry Mills	Yes

VI.A. Approval of minutes

11/10/25 Special Meeting Minutes

11/19/25 Special Work Session Minutes

VI.B. Approval of payment of bills as presented

Payables- 11/11/25, 11/18/25, 11/25/25, 12/2/25 and 12/9/25

VI.C. Approval of school fundraisers

WMES Valentine Dance on 2/13/26, Calendar Fundraiser 3/9/26-3/20/26 and Cattleman's Cookout on 4/15/26

VI.D. Approval to establish the D.A.R.E. Program with Lebanon Police Department

VI.E. Approval of FY's 2026-2028 FRYSC (Family Resource and Youth Services Centers) School District Assurance Certification

VI.F. Approval of 2026 Kentucky Proud Membership

VI.G. Approval for MCMS to apply for a \$500.00 financial aid scholarship through the Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center

Carrie Thompson, 8th grade ELA teacher, seeks permission to apply for a \$500 financial aid scholarship through the Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center. This scholarship would allow her to pay for a trunk that includes 10 Meta Quest 2 headsets with all the necessary technology, including 5 downloaded films/experiences. This would provide her students with a vibrant learning experience to accompany the Holocaust unit (Amplify curriculum).

VI.H. Acceptance of donation to MCHS Girls Basketball Team from Stephanie Gootee in the amount of \$1,000.00

VI.I. Acceptance of donation to MCPS FRYSC Program from the Lions Club for \$1,230.00 To be used towards vision assistance for students in need.

VI.J. Approval of five (5) extended days for Tara Tatum for the 2025-26 school year paid from CTE Supplemental funds

VI.K. Approval of leave without pay for Brittany Myers from 12/09/25 through 12/19/25

VI.L. Approval of leave without pay for Samantha Floyd from 11/17/25 through 2/24/26

VI.M. Approval of leave without pay for Candance Hernandez from 2/5/26 through 4/2/26

VI.N. Approval of extended disability leave/unpaid leave for Kim Price for the remainder of the 2025-26 school year

VII. Acknowledgement of Personnel Actions (Attachment #4)

VIII. Adjournment

Motion Passed: Adjournment of the meeting at 7:06 p.m. passed with a motion by Mr. Terry Mills and a second by Mr. Joey Lee.

Mrs. Carrie Truitt	Yes
Mrs. Peggy Downs	Yes
Mr. Joey Lee	Yes
Ms. Deborah Spalding	Yes
Mr. Terry Mills	Yes

Chairperson

Superintendent