

Marion County Board of Education Regular Meeting

August 13, 2026 5:00 PM ET (4:00 CT)

Lebanon Elementary School, 420 W. Main Street, Lebanon, KY 40033

Attendance Taken at 5:00 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 5:00 p.m.

I.A. Approve/Amend August 13, 2026 Board Meeting Agenda

Motion Passed: Approval of the August 13, 2026 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

Chairperson Carrie Truitt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Communications

III.A. Public Comment

No one was present for public comment.

III.B. Superintendent Report (Attachment #1)

III.C. LES Presentation

Principal Benji Mattingly reported that the first two days of school went well and students and staff are excited about the many great things that are happening at LES.

III.D. Attendance & Enrollment Report

Assistant Superintendent of Student Services, Pupil Personnel and School Safety Angie Akers reported that today 2829 students are enrolled district wide in Marion County Public Schools. Attendance for today was 98.6%.

III.E. Finance Report

Director of Operations Scott Spalding gave the financial report for July 2026.

III.F. Annual Energy Report

Adam Pierce from CMTA gave the Annual Energy Report.

IV. Student Support Services

IV.A. Consider approval of revised School Resource Officer Memorandum of Agreement with Marion County Sheriff's Department for 2026-27

Motion Passed: Approval of revised School Resource Officer Memorandum of Agreement with Marion County Sheriff's Department for 2026-27 passed with a motion by Mrs. Peggy Downs 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.B. Consider approval of an agreement between MCPS and the child welfare agency for foster care transportation

Motion Passed: Approval of an agreement between MCPS and the child welfare agency for foster care transportation 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.C. Consider approval of Edmentum curriculum contract

Motion Passed: Approval of Edmentum curriculum contract 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.D. Consider approval of revised BG-1 for the Marion County Public Schools Parking Lot BG 25-345

Motion Passed: Approval of revised BG-1 for the Marion County Public Schools Parking Lot BG 25-345 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.E. Consider approval of revised BG-1 for the Marion County ATC Partial Roof Replacement BG 24-118

Motion Passed: Approval of revised BG-1 for the Marion County ATC Partial Roof Replacement BG 24-118 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

IV.F. Consider approval of revised BG-1 for the Marion County Middle School Partial Roof Replacement BG 24-119

Motion Passed: Approval of revised BG-1 for the Marion County Middle School Partial Roof Replacement BG 24-119 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.G. Consider approval of Pay App #2 to Calhoun Construction in the amount of \$468,894.60 for work performed and \$69,372.06 to vendors for materials on the Marion County ATC Renovation & Addition, BG# 25-341

Motion Passed: Approval of Pay App #2 to Calhoun Construction in the amount of \$468,894.60 for work performed and \$69,372.06 to vendors for materials on the Marion County ATC Renovation & Addition, BG# 25-341 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.H. Consider approval of FY27 Preschool Tuition

\$1,800.00 for the 2026-27 School Year

Motion Passed: Approval of FY27 Preschool Tuition 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

IV.I. Consider approval of 2026-27 Proposed Tax Rates

Motion Passed: Approval of 2026-27 proposed tax rate of 57.3 cents on real and personal property to include 0.1 exonerations and 52.6 cents on motor vehicles passed with a motion by Mrs. Carrie Truitt 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.J. Acknowledgement of field trips

MCHS FFA to National Convention in Indianapolis, IN - October 21-23, 2026

V. 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

V.A. Approval of minutes

Regular meeting minutes- 7/9/26

V.B. Approval of payment of bills as presented

Payables 7/14/26, 7/21/26, 7/28/26, 8/4/26 and 8/11/26

V.C. Approval of school fundraisers

WMES

U-knighted Threads T-shirt Sales 8/5/26

Back to School Dance 8/29/26

Candy Bar Fundraiser 8/21/26
Wish List Items 8/12 - 5/1/27
Fall Festival 11/13/26

LMS

Knights Chamber - 2026-27 school year

GES

Library Book Fair 8/14/26
T-shirt Sales 7/28/26
Read-a-thon - March 2027

CES

Candy Bar Sales 10/1/26 -11/2/26
Candles- 8/24/26 - 9/25/26

V.D. Approval of District Assurances

V.E. Approval of Driver Approval Agreement

Matt Hicks, Elma Simpson, Michelle Rakes, Jamie Brown, Makenzie Thomas and Amy Lewis

V.F. Approval of 2026-27 KSBA Membership Dues for \$6,517.96

V.G. Approval of 2026-27 GRECC Membership Dues for \$6,724.20

V.H. Approval of Head Start Full Utilization MOA

V.I. Acceptance of donation to MCMS girls' basketball from Lafayette Engineering in the amount of \$2,000.00

V.J. Acceptance of donation to MCHS FFA from FFA Alumni in the amount of \$2,353.00

V.K. Acceptance of donation to MCHS Athletic Department for the Bowl Game from Kentucky Cooperage in the amount of \$10,000.00

V.L. Acceptance of donation to MCPS FRYSC Program from United Presbyterian Church in the amount of \$8,000.00

V.M. Approval of leave without pay for Wanda Clark 8/14/26 through 9/4/26

V.N. Approval of leave without pay for Alex Powell from 8/17/26 to 9/5/26

VI. Acknowledgement of Personnel Actions (Attachment #2)

VII. Adjournment

Motion Passed: Adjournment of the meeting at 5:24 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