

MAROA-FORSYTH C.U.S.D. 2
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

October 14, 2025

Minutes

**High School Library
610 W. Washington
Maroa, IL 61756**

1. Call to Order- 7:19 pm

Pledge of Allegiance- No Motion

2. Roll Call - Present – Lindsey Wise, Matt Crawford, Susie Conway, JR Parker, Jill Feinstein, Paul Lidy

Absent – Isaac Zuniga

3. Good News - No Motion

a. The board recognized our MFHS Marching Trojans for their outstanding, successful season thus far. They received a first-place finish at Monticello, a third-place finish at EIU, and a second-place finish at Mt. Zion. Congratulations! Good luck at your upcoming competition at the U of I.

b. The board also recognized our MFHS Bass Fishing team for their Macon County championship. Congratulations!

4. Guests and Visitors - No action

5. Consent Agenda - Action

- a. Approved the minutes of the September 9, 2025 budget hearing, regular and closed sessions.
- b. Approved the minutes of the September 18, 2025 Strategic Planning Session.
- c. Approved the financial report.
- d. Approved the bills as presented.
- e. Approved the destruction of audio of closed session minutes 18 months or older.
- f. Approved the FMLA request for Lane Ohlemeyer.
- g. Approved Jeff Ohlemeyer transfer to GS/MS paraprofessional.
- h. Approved the hiring of Tyler Deaton as HS Freshmen Basketball Coach.

Motion by Jill Feinstein and seconded by Matt Crawford to approve the consent agenda as presented. Vote 6-0 in favor. Motion carried.

6. New Business

a. Approval of Board Policies outlined in Press Issue 118-119 as presented. Issue 118 Policies: 2.260, 2.265, 4.15, 4.80, 5.10, 5.60, 5.20, 5.100, 6.150, 6.235 (opening paragraph only), 7.180, 7.190, 7.200, 7.250, 7.270, 7.310, 7.315, 7.60, 7.70, 7.10, 7.207.185, 7.340, 7.255, and Issue 119 Policies: 2.80 - without the optional language of referring board members who violate their oath of office to the ROE.

Motion by Susie Conway seconded by Jill Feinstein to approve Press Policies in Issue 118-119 as presented. Vote 6-0 in favor. Motion Carried.

b. Renewal of the eLearning Plan for the 2025-2026, 2026-2027, and 2027-2028 school years. The eLearning plan was approved with future discussion on its use, parameters, and implementation.

Motion by Matt Crawford and seconded by Paul Lidy to approve the eLearning Renewal Plan as presented. Vote 5-1 in favor. Motion Carried.

c. Resolution in support of the safe routes to school program. The board approved a resolution for a Safe Routes to School Grant. The Village of Forsyth is applying for the grant to help connect a bike path behind the grade school to the new path west of the grade school.

Motion by Paul Lidy and seconded by Matt Crawford to approve the resolution in support of the safe routes to school program. Vote 6-0 in favor. Motion carried.

d. Approval of entering into a services agreement with Nania Energy Advisors. A services agreement with Nania Energy Advisors was approved, enabling them to obtain bids to secure the best energy prices for the district.

Motion by Susie Conway and seconded by Jill Feinstein to approve the services agreement with Nania Energy Advisors. Vote 6-0 in favor. Motion Carried.

e. Staff Appreciation and Service Awards - Informational. No Action. The staff appreciation dinner will be held on November 5th at 6:00 p.m. in the MS Commons. RSVP invites were sent out on October 14, 2025. The annual service awards will take place sometime in April 2026.

f. Audit Information - Informational. No Action. The district requested an extension for our auditors to complete the Annual Financial Report (AFR), and the ROE granted it. The auditors are working with the unit office to adjust federal funds reporting for grants. There will be a finding in the audit, but remedies are in place to correct the issue. The audit should be complete soon.

7. Old Business

a. Principal Reports – Informational. Presented to the board for review.

b. IASB Liaison Report – Informational. Jill Feinstein shared information regarding the Triple I conference, including the Delegate Assembly resolutions. Jill will represent the board at the assembly.

c. Strategic Planning – Informational. The second meeting will take place on October 16th from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the MS Commons. Jimmy John's and additional snacks will be provided and everyone is encouraged to attend.

8. Executive Session

Motion by Paul Lidy, seconded by Susie Conway, to enter into closed session at 8:07 p.m. for the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, dismissal, or performance of specific employees of the public body, Section 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) and Student Disciplinary cases 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (10). Vote 6-0 in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Lidy, seconded by Lindsey Wise, to exit closed session at 8:36 p.m. Vote 6-0 in favor. Motion carried.

9. Adjournment

Adjournment - Motion by Paul Lidy, seconded by Lindsey Wise, to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 p.m.

All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Signed:

Secretary

President


