



20400 10th Street. McIntosh, FL • 352-591-9797

**Regular Scheduled McIntosh Area School Board Meeting  
December 5, 2017 • MAS Cafeteria • 6:30 PM**

**Mission:** McIntosh Area School is committed to providing a challenging, high quality, first class education for our students. We strive to fulfill the needs of the whole child by delivering creative lessons designed to inspire dreamers and doers. Our goal is to ensure all students put their knowledge into practical practices, quench their thirst for knowledge, and become lifelong learners.

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Marshall Roddy called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present: Marshall Roddy, president; David Chambers, vice president; Mary Ann Kelley, secretary; Cindy Roach, Director. (NOTE: Thomas Turner, member at large was added to the board at this meeting.)

**REVIEW OF PUBLIC NOTICES**

The meeting notice was posted on the website, on Facebook, the school sign, and the school calendar.

**Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting.** David Chambers moved we accept the minutes of the October and November meetings. Mary Ann Kelley seconded the motion. The board passed the motion unanimously.

A full year of MAS Board minutes will be available on the school website. Board minutes are always available in the school office.

**REPORTS AND DISCUSSION**

**Director's Report**

**Current Enrollment**

K-11, 1<sup>st</sup>-13, 2<sup>nd</sup>-10, 3<sup>rd</sup>- 17, 4<sup>th</sup>-13, 5<sup>th</sup>-12 = 76

**School Activities**

- Two families called about enrolling their children at our school for a total of five additional students.
- Director Roach is preparing for data chats with teachers using iReady assessment results for reading placement. Interventions will be discussed.
- Teachers are grateful for the \$200.00 school supply money provided to each from the PTO. Some have already spent their money.
- A+ School recognition money was dispersed to staff on November 30, 2017.

- Students went to the production of the *Nutcracker* this morning. It is important for students to have cultural opportunities through the school.

**Discussion:** David Chambers noted that much of Marion County's wealth and employment is from agriculture. He suggested that students take field trips to area farms. Possible farms are Uncle Donald's Farm in Lady Lake, Crone's Cradle in Citra, and Morningside Nature Center in Gainesville.

- PTO will decorate the school on Saturday, 12/9/17, at 10:00 AM. Teachers and classes will decorate their trees on either Thursday or Friday for Light Up McIntosh.
- Santa is scheduled to come to the school on the morning of December 19. Ms. Cindy will take photos and have them ready for the children to take home by the end of the school day.

### Repairs

- Scott Hensley is working on school repairs. He will work as handyman until all outstanding work is up to date, and will continue to keep the school maintained.
- PTO voted to use their next fundraisers to help purchase and install new front doors.

**Discussion:** Both the double entry doors and the kitchen/outside door allowed flooding in the office area during the heavy rains. Thomas Turner has gotten someone to volunteer materials and labor to fill in the door from the kitchen to outside. Mary Ann Kelley offered to call the town office to put walling-up the kitchen door and installing double doors on the Town Council Agenda. Terra Yanke (PTO President) and Thomas Turner will attend the December 14 Council meeting to make the request and answer questions.

### Contract for Services

- McIntosh Area School is now under a three-year contract with Advance Disposal for garbage pick-up.

### Treasurer's Report

**Bank Statement Emailed to Board Members on December 1, 2017.** The Harbor Bank Balance as of the end of November was \$41,525.78.

David Chambers noted that this is the first month since his joining the board that the balance has risen.

### ACTION ITEMS

#### Training

- Candace Stephens has completed Skyward training with the school's accountant.
- Julie Musselman will need to complete online training with *CharterSchoolTraining.com*.

#### Public Comment on Action Items

Teachers Michelle Sage and Belinda Hensley, speaking on behalf of the staff, requested that Monday, December 18, and Tuesday, December 19 be early release days.

**Early Release:** David Chambers moved that Monday and Tuesday, December 18 and 19, 2017, be early release for all staff. Mary Ann Kelley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Thomas Turner: New Board Member:** Marshall Roddy noted that the board has only four members. He moved we elect Thomas Turner to the board as a parent member. David Chambers seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**NON-ACTION ITEMS**

**Public Comment on Non-Action Items**

**A Currently Certified Teacher in Each Classroom**

**Discussion:** Terra Yanke suggested that having a currently certified teacher in each classroom should be a priority in the school. The board agreed that as soon as enrollment warrants it, it will happen. In the meantime, Ms. Cindy suggested that we thank Susan Rockwell when we see her. She is a long-time teacher who brings much experience to the second and third grade classrooms.

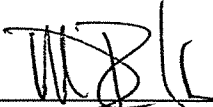
**INDIVIDUAL BOARD MATTERS**

Marshall Roddy. Marshall reminded us of our first board work session to be at 6:00 on Thursday, December 7 in the Conference Room. The public is invited.


**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 PM

**Minutes Approved**

  
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Marshall Roddy, President

1/3/2018  
Date

  
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Cindy Roach, Director

1/3/2018  
Date

Just FYI

**MORE INFORMATION:**

Nutcracker: <http://www.reillyartscenter.com/event/7197773bf146e6ebcb739e3aed7c8730>

Marion County Agriculture:

<http://www.marioncountyfl.org/departments-agencies/departments-a-n/extension-service/agriculture>

Uncle Donald's Farm: <https://uncledonaldsfarm.com/>

Crone's Cradle Conserve: <http://cronescradleconserve.org/>

Morningside Nature Center: <http://www.visitgainesville.com/attractions/morningside-nature-center/>