

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Millburn School District 24

REGULAR MEETING
May 22, 2013

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Diane Campbell
Jane Gattone
Nichol Mangino
Scott Miller
Trak Patel
Joseph Pineau

BOARD CLERK

Dorothy Pazanin

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

Jason Lind, Superintendent
Dr. Stephen Johns, Business Manager
Elizabeth Keefe, Special Services Director
Marybeth DeLaMar, Principal

ADMINISTRATION ASSISTANT

Bernadette Hanna

VISITORS

Katie Banaszynski
Anne-Marie Maier
Matt Booker
Sarah Blue
Gretchen Polenzani
Theresa Spence
Terryl Rajcevic
Michael Goldberg
Anna Rodewald
Debra Kaisserlian
Sarah Kilcoin-Johnson
Melissa Watters
Elizabeth Ekstrom

Nancy Stream
Amy Cobert
Dan Jazo
Kelly Gregori
Meghan Konicki
Jane Reu
Sue Novak
Denise Oswald
Adam Lyndon
Amy Sooley
Angela McMahan
Christie Hutson
Regina Reynolds
Carine Lancaster

Erin Aunet
Sue Stone
Lisa Jazo
Kathy Neville
Carol McGill
Laura Clark
Kathy Mark
Judy Calhoun
Don Perusich
Sandra Hessing
Steve Teipel
Leslie Dreyer
Jean Conforti

Kirsten Deacetis
Sandy Stolzer
Dana Booker
Trish Wilhelm
Laura Klier
Renee Marasco
Lise Muller
Lisa Anderson
Terri Clay
Jodi Laughman
Dawn Morris
Tricia L. Phelan
Carrie Rensner

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Millburn School District 24, Lake County, Illinois, held at Millburn Middle School, was called to order at 7 p.m. by President Joseph Pineau. Roll call was taken with the following Board Members in attendance: Diane Campbell, Jane Gattone, Nichol Mangino, Scott Miller, Trak Patel and Joseph Pineau. Greg Ball was absent.

Due to the absence of Board Secretary Greg Ball, a motion was made by Jane Gattone and seconded by Scott Miller to appoint Nichol Mangino as Secretary Pro Tem. On a voice vote, all Board Members voted Aye. Nays: none. Absent: Greg Ball. The motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT -- Jane Reu thanked the Negotiation Team for working on the teachers' behalf to get a good contract. She asked the Board to realize that there are many teachers who support the seven members of the Negotiation Team. She thanked everyone who is trying to do the right thing for students, staff and the community.

Lise Muller said that her daughter Emily, who is in eighth grade, was diagnosed with a chronic, incurable disorder at the beginning of the school year. In addition to the serious health concerns, Mrs. Muller said she was worried about how Emily would be able to attend school. Mrs. Muller said she is thrilled to say that Emily successfully completed the year and will be graduating with her class. She gave credit to many members of the Millburn Middle School staff for helping Emily this year, including Principal Jake Jorgenson, the office staff, the school nurses, the choir director, psychologist and all of Emily's teachers. Mrs. Muller invited any one interested in finding out more about her daughter's condition to check her website: emilysfight.com.

Theresa Spence, the mother of a first grade student, said she is trying to get a curriculum appropriate to her daughter's abilities. She said some of the actions taken to provide an appropriate curriculum for her daughter have not worked or have been inadequate. She said she would like to know what other options are available, and if the gifted program has the most current research on acceleration. Supt. Jason Lind said he would call Mrs. Spence to discuss the issue.

RECOGNITION -- Supt. Jason Lind recognized the students who participated in track this year. He also recognized their coaches: Adam Lyndon, Steve Teipel, Dave Schroeder, Kelly Piekarz and Geneen Hoetzer, along with Athletic Director Dan Jazo. Students

who qualified for state competition are Madison Kilroy, Rylie Matchett, Alexandra Pann, Anna Engel, Jensen Bernard, Taylor Tilton, Kelsey Magad, Grace Webster, Megane Beaupre, Makayla Steinert, Claire Swedberg, Kate Weyhrich, Jamie Kwon, Brianna Kramer, Rosie O'Malley, Megan Knuettel, Rae Dwyer, McKenna Lahr, Marilee Collier, Nick Garcia, Will Eveland, Alex Moran, Parker Canning, Aaron Brask and Leon Small. Medal winners included Kate Weyhrich who was 5th in state in the 800 meters, Makayla Steinert who earned 8th place in the 400 meters, and Clare Swedberg who placed 4th in state in the pole vault competition.

Supt. Lind also recognized two teachers—Elizabeth Ekstrom and Jane Fredrick—who helped organize the recent Hop-A-Thon at Millburn Elementary School. The event raised \$6,751 for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. More importantly, Supt. Lind said, was the way the Millburn community surrounded and uplifted the Millburn student with MD and his family. Both teachers received a letter of commendation in their personnel file.

PRESENTATION — Amy Cobert, speech pathologist, and Sue Stone, reading specialist, presented information on efforts to bring audio technology into the classroom. Currently, there are 28 wireless microphone systems being used by teachers in the district. The technology amplifies the user's voice and evenly distributes the sound throughout the room. Benefits noted by the teachers include improvement in student attention, academic skills and classroom participation. The systems reduce stress on the teacher's voice, particularly in the large class sizes. Students also enjoy using the technology when making presentations to the class. Funding for the wireless microphones has come from the Millburn Education Foundation, the PTO, the Special Education budget and district funds. The teachers thanked the people and organizations that have supported the audio technology. The goal is to have a wireless microphone available for every teacher within the next 2-3 years.

ADDITION OF NON-ACTION ITEMS — There were none.

ACTION ITEMS

CONSENT AGENDA — A motion was made by Diane Campbell and seconded by Nichol Mangino to approve the Consent Agenda, including the following:

1. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Regular Meeting and Executive Session of April 24, 2013
 - b. Special Meeting of May 1, 2013
 - c. Committee of the Whole Meeting and Executive Session of May 1, 2013
2. Treasurer's Report and Approval
3. Bill Approval and Payment Authorization
4. Activity Account
5. Personnel Report
 - a. Increase Special Services LD Position for 2013-14 SY from 0.7 FTE to 1.0 FTE (Despina Bougiotopoulos)
 - b. Eliminate Crossing Guard Positions for 2013-14 SY
 - I. **Maureen Prellberg** (Coordinator and Guard)
 - II. **Robert Kennedy** (Guard)
 - III. **Susan Recker** (Substitute Guard)
 - c. Hire **Erin Michel** — 1.0 FTE Physical Education Teacher for 2013-14 SY
 - d. Approve 2013-14 SY Job Sharing for 1.0 FTE Rtl Teacher (**Renee Marasco and Sarah Kilcoin-Johnson**)
 - e. Approve FMLA Request from **Bethanie Dajka** — 1.0 FTE Tech Teacher
 - f. Accept Resignation of 5th Grade Teacher **Chris Atteberry** for the 2013-14 SY
 - g. Hire **Lisa Anderson** for an elementary position for the 2013-14 SY
6. Approve Matching Grant Application for Capital Improvements
7. Set Board Meeting Dates for 2013-14 SY
8. Annual Memberships
 - a. Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB) \$4,426.00
 - b. Lake County Educational Services Cooperative (ESC) \$3,209.00

On a roll call vote, the following Board Members voted Aye: Scott Miller, Diane Campbell, Joseph Pineau, Trak Patel, Nichol Mangino and Jane Gattone. Nays: none. Absent: Greg Ball. The motion passed.

EXPENDITURES

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5/31/13

EDUCATION

BILLS PAYABLE			\$480,525.33
PAYROLL	305557.85	7650.04	\$313,207.89
MISC			
TOTAL			\$793,733.22

TRANSPORTATION

BILLS PAYABLE			\$90,169.72
PAYROLL	20119.67		\$20,119.67
TOTAL			\$110,289.39

CAPITAL PROJECTS

BILLS PAYABLE			\$5,947.34
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OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE

BILLS PAYABLE			\$85,064.30
PAYROLL	17508.5		\$17,508.50
TOTAL			\$102,572.80

IMRF/SOCIAL
SECURITY

BILLS PAYABLE	- SEDOL -		\$0.00
PAYROLL	18530.43	109.54	\$18,639.97
TOTAL			\$18,639.97

DEBT
SERVICE

BILLS PAYABLE			\$3,263.00
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TORT

BILLS PAYABLE			\$3,117.83
PAYROLL			\$0.00
TOTAL			\$3,117.83

FUNDS
TOTAL

\$1,037,563.55

MATH CURRICULUM – Supt. Jason Lind introduced the K-5 Math Curriculum Team, including Nancy Stream, the committee chair. He said the team met twice a month since fall researching math programs and curriculum that would help the district implement the Common Core Standards. With the passage of the referendum, purchasing a new curriculum became an option. The committee recommended *My Math*, published by McGraw-Hill. Committee members explained how the curriculum meets the focus, coherence and rigor of the Common Core Standards. It also includes an online component for teachers and students. Supt. Lind estimated that the curriculum would cost about \$90,000 for five years, including all materials and updates. He said the curriculum currently in use, *Everyday Mathematics*, costs the district about \$13,000 a year. A motion was made by Jane Gattone and seconded by Joseph Pineau to approve the adoption of the *My Math* curriculum for Kindergarten through Grade 5. On a roll call vote, the following Board Members voted Aye: Diane Campbell, Joseph Pineau, Trak Patel, Nichol Mangino, Jane Gattone and Scott Miller. Nays: none. Absent: Greg Ball. The motion passed.

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

SUMMER WORK LIST – Dr. Stephen Johns explained that the Summer Work List includes information on estimated costs and how each project might be funded, such as from the Capital Projects Budget, or if it will be paid before or after the end of this fiscal year.

Supt. Jason Lind said that a major project will be to increase the computer network bandwidth and increase the wireless access points. Also, projectors will be mounted in each classroom this summer. The projectors will be purchased with a \$30,000 combined grant from the Millburn District 24 Foundation and the Millburn District 24 PTO. These two projects, along with the previously approved purchase of new laptop computers for the teachers, should greatly improve the technology availability throughout the district.

Other summer projects include resealing the gymnasium floors, cleaning ventilation coils, improving security, and stripping the wax build-up on many of the floors. The contract to replace a section of the roof has been awarded and work should begin as soon as the school year has ended.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Supt. Jason Lind reviewed Future Agenda Items, including the following:

- Appoint Treasurer and Approve Treasurer's Bond
- Appointments—Depository, Legal Counsel, Publisher
- Hire Summer Help

BOARD REPORTS

JOINT BOARD DINNER MEETING — Supt. Lind reported on the recent Joint Board Dinner Meeting with High School Dist. 117 and the feeder schools. The speaker was Roger Eddy, executive director of the Illinois Association of School Boards, and a former Illinois legislator, superintendent, teacher and coach. He spoke about the legislative process and the outlook for state funding for education.

SEDOL — Diane Campbell said that the next SEDOL Governing Board Meeting is June 13. She also reported on a few changes in the make-up of the Governing and Executive Boards.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT — Supt. Jason Lind said he had nothing further to report.

BUSINESS OFFICE REPORT — Dr. Stephen Johns said that one item he wanted to highlight from his report was the Lights for Learning program in which Millburn Middle School students sold energy-efficient light bulbs. In addition to fundraising profits, the district is now eligible to receive \$5,000 worth of energy-saving devices. The items include LED exit signs, faucet aerators, and occupancy wall switches. The district will be responsible for installation. Dr. Johns also reviewed recent revenue and expenditure data. He said the district has borrowed \$1.5 million in Tax Anticipation Warrants this year, and he does not anticipate needing to borrow any more this fiscal year. This compares to \$2.5 million borrowed last fiscal year.

It was noted that Elizabeth Keefe, Marybeth DeLaMar and Bernadette Hanna exited the meeting at 8:37 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Diane Campbell and seconded by Joseph Pineau to enter into Executive Session to discuss matters pertaining to 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 (5ILCS 120/1 et seq.) and for consideration and discussion of "student disciplinary cases" (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9)) and other matters relating to individual students (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(10)). On a roll call vote, the following Board Members voted Aye: Joseph Pineau, Trak Patel, Nichol Mangino, Jane Gattone, Scott Miller and Diane Campbell. Nays: none. Absent: Greg Ball. The motion passed.

The Executive Session began at 8:50 p.m.

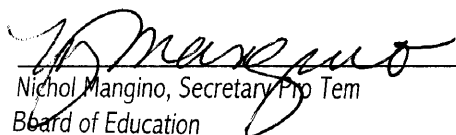
A motion was made by Jane Gattone and seconded by Trak Patel to adjourn the Executive Session at 9:37 p.m. On a voice vote, all Board Members voted Aye. Nays: none. Absent: Greg Ball. The motion passed.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Jane Gattone and seconded by Diane Campbell to adjourn the Regular Meeting. On a voice vote, all Board Members voted Aye. Nays: none. Absent: Greg Ball. The motion passed. The Regular Meeting adjourned at 9:38 p.m.



Joseph Pineau, President
Board of Education
Millburn School District 24

ATTEST:



Nichol Mangino, Secretary Pro Tem
Board of Education
Millburn School District 24

6/26/13
Date