

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Millburn School District 24

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
July 11, 2012

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Diane Campbell  
Jane Gattone  
Scott Miller  
Joseph Pineau

Lisa Scanio  
Chris Stream

BOARD CLERK

Dorothy Pazanin

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

Jason Lind, Superintendent  
Dr. Stephen Johns, Business Manager  
Elizabeth Keefe, Special Services Director  
Joanne Rathunde, Technology Director  
Robert Reding  
Marybeth DeLaMar, Principal  
Jake Jorgenson, Principal

VISITORS

Cheryl Drake  
Carla Blanchard  
Kristi Metzger

A Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Board of Education of Millburn School District 24, Lake County, Illinois, held at Millburn West School, was called to order at 7 p.m. by President Robert Reding. Roll call was taken with the following Board Members in attendance: Diane Campbell, Jane Gattone, Scott Miller, Joseph Pineau, Robert Reding, Lisa Scanio and Chris Stream.

PUBLIC COMMENT – There was none.

ADDITION OF NON-ACTION ITEMS – Supt. Jason Lind updated the Board on recent break-ins at the two schools and the arrests made by the police. A few of the stolen items have been recovered. Millburn has filed insurance claims for the lost property and building damage.

Diane Campbell thanked the administration for a successful year, noting that there was a new superintendent, business manager and principal.

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

RENAMING SCHOOLS – Robert Reding gave the Board Members a draft of talking points and the reasoning behind the proposal to rename the schools. After reading through it, the Board Members discussed various aspects of the topic, including:

- Relevance of geographical names
- School and community identity
- Coming together as a district
- Financial cost
- Implications for a future referendum
- Effect on educational experience
- Options for funding

Supt. Jason Lind said he would get specific estimates on changing the school signs. Joseph Pineau said he would investigate options for donations to cover expenses.

BOE PRIORITIES – Supt. Jason Lind said he received a communication from Barbara Toney, IASB field representative who facilitated the recent Board Governance Review. She compiled a list of topics that the Board Members identified as priorities. These include:

1. Review and possibly revise the district's mission and vision statements
2. Develop a dashboard, an electronic method for communicating data to the public
3. Align agenda items with appropriate policies and Strategic Plan goals
4. Develop an orientation process for new Board Members
5. Assign approximate discussion times to agenda items

CALENDAR OUTLINE – Supt. Jason Lind distributed a general calendar of Board Agenda items and activities throughout the upcoming school year. It was suggested that the calendar be posted on the district website so that the public will be aware of when topics are scheduled to be discussed.

REFERENDUM – Supt. Jason Lind reminded Board Members that the topic of a possible referendum should be an ongoing discussion. He said he has received information for planning a successful referendum from Fanning Howey, an architectural and engineering firm involved in school construction. Mr. Lind distributed a phone survey that is used by Fanning Howey to determine if there is community support for a referendum. He said that if Board Members are considering a referendum in the spring, they should plan on conducting a community survey, forming a referendum committee, and establishing a timeline.

BUDGET – Dr. Stephen Johns presented an overview of the district's FY 2012 Budget with estimated end-of-year figures, and a preview of the preliminary FY 2013 Budget. Dr. Johns said a change in the numbering system this year will lead to more detailed and specific fund information next year. He discussed and compared the revenue and expenditure figures in the various district funds. He also reviewed funding for upcoming capital improvement projects, and described how various adjustments and transfers affect cash flow. A Public Hearing on the proposed FY 2013 Budget is scheduled for August, and Adoption of the Budget is scheduled for September.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – Supt. Jason Lind discussed several topics that will be included on future Board Meeting agendas, including:

- Approval of Snow Bid Extension
- Approval of Food Service Bid
- Impact Fee Amount
- Review of Closed Session Minutes

Diane Campbell suggested the Board have a discussion at a future meeting about upcoming recommendations from SEDOL regarding future planning and funding. She said decisions made by SEDOL could have an effect on Millburn's finances because of the possible need for additional hiring.

It was noted that Elizabeth Keefe, Joanne Rathunde, Marybeth DeLaMar and Jake Jorgenson exited the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – A motion was made by Lisa Scanio and seconded by Joseph Pineau to enter into Executive Session to discuss matters pertaining to negotiations. On a roll call vote, the following Board Members voted Aye: Joseph Pineau, Chris Stream, Jane Gattone, Lisa Scanio, Robert Reding, Diane Campbell and Scott Miller. Nays: none. Absent: none. The motion passed. The Executive Session began at 8:19 p.m.

A motion was made by Lisa Scanio and seconded by Chris Stream to adjourn the Executive Session. On a voice vote, all Board Members voted Aye. Nays: none. Absent: none. The motion passed. The Executive Session adjourned at 9:14 p.m.

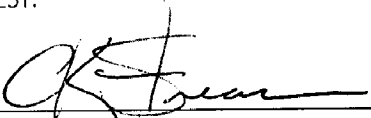
REGULAR MEETING RESUMES -- A motion was made by Jane Gattone and seconded by Diane Campbell to adjourn the Committee of the Whole Meeting. On a voice vote, all Board Members voted Aye. Nays: none. Absent: none. The motion passed. The Committee Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.



~~Robert A. Reding, President~~  
Board of Education  
Millburn School District 24

*Lisa Scanio, Vice President*

ATTEST:



Chris K. Stream, Secretary  
Board of Education  
Millburn School District 24

25 JULY 2012  
Date