# MILLBURN C. C. SCHOOL DISTRICT 24 BOARD OF EDUCATION Committee of the Whole Meeting November 14, 2016

## **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Jane Gattone, President
Nichol Mangino, Vice President
Trak Patel, Secretary
Diane Campbell, Member
Carissa LaTourette, Member
Heath Rosten, Member

## **BOARD CLERK**

Bernadette Hanna

## **ADMINISTRATION PRESENT**

Jason Lind, Superintendent of Schools Stephen Johns, Business Manager/CSBO Elizabeth Keefe, Director of Special Services Jake Jorgenson, Principal, MMS Ben Walshire, Principal, MES Adam Rowlands, Assistant Principal, MES/MMS

## **VISITORS**

Brendan Murphy

Lawrence Kreuscher

Jim Guziak

Dan Jazo

Brad Romig John Lorentzen Kevin Yost Carol McGill

M. David Cain

Jennifer Miller

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 7:04 p.m. by President Jane Gattone. Roll call was taken with the following Board Members in attendance: Diane Campbell, Jane Gattone, Carissa LaTourette, Nichol Mangino, Trak Patel, Heath Rosten. Absent: Casandra Slade.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – There were no public comments.

ADDITION of DISCUSSION ITEMS - There were no additional discussion items.

## INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

# 24-Hour Challenge Presentation and Rafting Trip

The presentation began with Mr. Jazo and Mr. Yost giving a history of how the 24-Hour Challenge was started at Millburn. For the first three years it was a relay that began at 3:00 p.m. on a Friday and ended at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday. They prepare in PE class for the run by running one mile every day – ½ mile, 5-minute rest, ½ a mile. Students are encouraged to set a goal and work towards that. There is a "common area" at the run where they can socialize. They introduce themselves to teachers they do not know in order to get their tee shirt signed by the teacher. Mr. Jazo and Mr. Yost received a lot of positive feedback from this program. Former students sometimes return to run with their siblings. The Board thanked Mr. Jazo and Mr. Yost for their commitment to this program.

A Board member asked about the rafting trip. Mr. Jazo explained that this was started as a leadership trip before there was a student council. Students fill out a one-page application. This rafting trip is held in Crivitz, Wisconsin.

## FY2016 Audit Report

Mr. David Cain and Mr. Lawrence Kreuscher from Milburn Cain & Company presented the audit results to the Board. The audit report is posted on the Millburn website. Mr. Cain shared some helpful information to the Board when reading the audit report. It is 67 pages long, but the first 18 pages contain the information needed. The remainder of the information is governed by statute, regulations, and professional standards. The Board thanked the auditors for their presentation.

# **Student Performance Results**

Dr. Lind is setting potential targets for the students. Ms. LaTourette sent a countywide comparison of Millburn to other schools to the Board. Most schools had a higher poverty level than Millburn. The report was very comprehensive and gave the Board much information to consider. Ms. LaTourette was thanked for her time and effort that she put into this report.

## Middle School Science Curriculum Pilot Program

Mr. Jorgenson continues to look at a new science curriculum. The National Science Foundation funded research on the iQuest curriculum. This is the only one aligned to standards. The science committee will be doing site visits. There are no measured results on this curriculum as it is too new.

Mr. Walshire also met with his science committee today. They were given a "big picture" presentation. The committee is breaking down standards for each grade level so it is not so overwhelming.

## **BOARD REPORTS**

Ms. Gattone pointed out that the Board members received their packets for the Tri-Conference held in Chicago. She also mentioned that the middle school choir performed at their first concert for Veterans' Day. Ms. LaTourette shared that she saw the video and was amazed at how much more complex the harmonies were, the singing was so good, and that the music was well chosen. The students read poems and the entire program was a cohesive work of art.

#### SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Veterans Day programs were held at MES and MMS. Mrs. Marasco organized the event at MES.

#### **BUSINESS OFFICE REPORT**

Dr. Johns told the Board that he would answer any questions about the Tax Levy at the Special Board meeting.

### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- A. 2017 Base Cash Flow
- B. Review of Camp Timber-Lee (November BOE)
- C. Possible Public Hearing and/or Approval of Tax Levy (December 2016)
- D. Annual State of Affairs (December 2016)
- E. Completed Summer Projects (January 2017 COW)
- F. Draft 2017 Summer Projects (March 2017 COW)
- G. Mrs. Hessing and Science Fair presentation

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, a motion was made by Nichol Mangino and a second by Trak Patel to adjourn the Committee of the Whole Meeting. On a voice vote, all Board Members voted Aye. Nays: none. Absent: Casandra Slade. The motion passed. The Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Board of Education Millburn School District 24 Lake County, Illinois

President

Secretary

November 28, 2016