

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Millburn School District 24
COMMITTEE of the WHOLE MEETING
May 13, 2019

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Carissa Casbon LaTourette, President
Denise Ide, Vice President
Jim Guziak, Secretary
Sean Coleman
Stephen Gray
Brendan Murphy

BOARD CLERK

Bernadette Hanna

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

Jason Lind, Superintendent of Schools
Stephen Johns, Business Manager/CSBO
Joanne Rathunde, Director of Technology
Jake Jorgenson, Principal, MMS
Ben Walshire, Principal, MES

GUESTS

Suzanne Dekorsi	Carine Lancaster
Laura Clark	Courtney Ward
Melissa Lowrance	Carol McGill
Jodi Laughman	Nareen Katta
Grant Runyan	Anne-Marie Maier
Lisa Andersen	

The Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Board of Education of Millburn School District 24, Lake County, Illinois, held at Millburn Middle School, was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by President Carissa Casbon LaTourette. Roll call was taken with the following members in attendance: Carissa Casbon LaTourette, Sean Coleman, Jim Guziak, Brendan Murphy. Absent: Stephen Gray, Denise Ide.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - none.

ADDITION of INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS - none.

PRESENTATIONS

Apple Professional Development Update

The Tech Team (Ms. Dekorsi, Ms. Lancaster, and Ms. Clark) presented a PowerPoint to Board entitled, "iPads and 1:1. Where are we now?" The presentation provided a timeline of the entire process from researching options, conducting iPad pilots, to full implementation. The Apple Professional Development was well received by staff. All grade levels concentrated on preplanning, team teaching, and debriefing. Staff responded to a Learning Technology Survey proved by the Apple Specialist, Dr. Kip Keckler. The survey results point to areas of strength as well as provide direction for future professional development opportunities. The team shared examples of how the students are using the technology in the classroom.

It was noted that Ms. Ide entered the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

It was noted that Mr. Gray entered the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Elementary ELA Update

As part of the ELA Committee, Ms. Lowrance and Ms. Ward presented their recommendation for an elementary ELA curriculum. Teachers piloted three different curriculums. They created a Literacy Vision Statement to keep them focused on the best way students learn to read, write, and communicate. The entire presentation can be found on the website's agenda. Mr. Walshire and the ELA Committee recommended the American Reading Company - ARC Core program.

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

Review Draft of Amended FY19 Budget

The Board reviewed the draft of the Amended FY19 Budget. At the next meeting the Board will approve the amended budget for public viewing. The final approval will take place in June.

Process for Filling Board Vacancy – 2-Year Term

Dr. Lind shared the process for filling the two-year term Board vacancy. Several resumes from interested district residents were received. The Board will go over these in Closed Session. The appointment will take place at the May 20th Board meeting.

Housing Developments

The Briargate housing development in Lindenhurst will be a 55 + community. There will be no school-aged children allowed. Because of that the district will not collect building impact fees. The builders are reporting that it will take 5-6 years to build out. There will be 179 homes in that subdivision paying taxes to Millburn.

The other housing development is in the early stages. Pulte will be the builder of the houses that will be on the southwest side of Stearns School Road.

Board of Education Meeting Dates for 2019-20

The Board will review the dates proposed for the 2019-20 school year.

IASB/IASA/IASBO Joint Annual Conference

Ms. Casbon LaTourette explained the Joint Annual Conference for the new board members. The annual conference will be held on November 22-24 in Chicago. All are encouraged to attend, as it is a premier training event for school board members, administrators, and business officials.

Purchases

The following items will be on the next agenda for Board approval:

- Teacher Laptops
- STEM Lab Furniture
- Building Cameras for MES/MMS
- Web-based Transportation Software

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Ed-RED
- Elevator Maintenance RFP
- Refuse Disposal/Recycling RFP
- Annual Membership in Illinois Association School Boards
- Annual Membership in Lake County Educational Services
- Cafeteria Lunch Pricing for 2019-20

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Dr. Lind informed the Board that the tour of the SEDOL building is scheduled on Thursday, 5/16 at 1:00 p.m. All board members are welcome to take the tour of the Laremont School on Gages Lake Road.

Dr. Lind also informed the Board that there was conflict with the date for the annual 6th grade team building exercise at Camp Timber-lee. The date is in conflict with the Jewish holiday, Rosh Hashanah. Because Millburn has such a large group, they cannot be accommodated on another date at this camp. This issue has been looked into since January. Dr. Lind will continue to pursue options and report back to the Board.

BUSINESS OFFICE REPORT

Dr. Johns informed the Board that there are usually change orders associated with construction projects. The Board will consider allowing Dr. Lind and/or Dr. Johns to make decisions about change orders up to a certain dollar amount to be determined by the Board.

BOARD REPORTS

Ms. Ide reported that she attended a "Choose Your Own Adventure" event in Ms. Konicki's third grade class. She was invited back after reading in their classroom during "Read Across America" week.

Mr. Guziak attended the final Parent University, where the topic was Internet safety.

CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by Carissa Casbon LaTourette, with a second by Denise Ide, to enter into Closed Session for the following purpose:

The selection of a person to fill a public office, as defined in the Open Meetings Act, including a vacancy in a public office, when the public body is given power to appoint under law or ordinance, or the discipline, performance or removal of the occupant of a public office, when the public body is given power to remove the occupant under law or ordinance.

On a roll call vote the following members voted Aye: Carissa Casbon LaTourette, Sean Coleman, Stephen Gray, Jim Guziak, Denise Ide, Brendan Murphy. Nays: none. Absent: none. The motion passed and the Board entered into Closed Session at 9:22 p.m.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

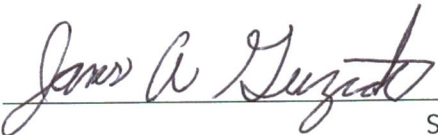
A motion was made by Carissa Casbon LaTourette, with a second by Stephen Gray, to return to Open Session. On a voice vote all Board Members voted Aye. Nays: none. Absent: none. The board returned to Open Session at 10:14 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Carissa Casbon LaTourette, with a second by Denise Ide, 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 meeting adjourned at 10:14 p.m.

Board of Education
Millburn School District 24
Lake County, Illinois

By:  _____
President

Attest:  _____
Secretary

May 20, 2019

Date