

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Millburn School District 24

REGULAR MEETING
Dec. 12, 2011

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Diane Campbell
Jane Gattone
Scott Miller
Joseph Pineau
Robert Reding

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

Jason Lind, Superintendent
Elizabeth Keefe, Special Services Director
Dr. Cheryl Kucera, Curriculum Director
Joanne Rathunde, Technology Director
Marybeth DeLaMar, Principal
Jake Jorgenson, Principal

BUSINESS MANAGER

Dr. Stephen Johns

VISITORS

Larry Dwyer
Brandon Craven
Steve Craven
Deborah Pineau
Kim Dodd
Darin Meyer
Rachel Nichols
Valerie Powley
Greg Ball
Alicia Keys
Dave Bending
Cindy Brugioni
Carol McGill
Tammy Harris

TREASURER

Roger Manderscheid

BOARD CLERK

Dorothy Pazanin

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Millburn School District 24, Lake County, Illinois, held at Millburn Central 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 and Robert Reding. Lisa Scanio and Chris Stream were absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Kim Dodd said she has been hearing from several people about the district still being over budget. She asked if an administrator would phone or email her with information about the budget.

ADDITION OF NON-ACTION ITEMS – Dave Bending, president of the Millburn Education Foundation, gave an update to the Board on the Foundation's recent activities. He explained that the foundation is a non-profit organization whose mission is to enrich the learning experience by enhancing Millburn School District's resources. In its five years of

existence, the foundation has raised \$40,000 to \$70,000 a year. Expenses are about 30-44 percent of revenue. Mr. Bending said the foundation has seen a decline in its ability to raise funds the last few years. A recent focus has been to improve “brand recognition.” The foundation wants to be recognized as a separate Millburn entity, not to be confused with the Board of Education or the PTOs. A main goal for this year is to launch a capital campaign that will help the district fulfill its Strategic Plan. Other goals include writing grants; refreshing the main fundraiser, March Madness; and balancing the distribution of funds across all grade levels. In the past, the foundation has funded annual college scholarships to Millburn graduates, helped finance the 8th grade trip to Springfield and the 6th grade trip to Camp Timberlee, and help pay expenses for other school projects.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Diane Campbell and seconded by Scott Miller 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 and for consideration and discussion of “student disciplinary cases” and other matters relating to individual students. On a roll call vote, the following Board Members voted Aye: Joseph Pineau, Robert Reding, Scott Miller, Jane Gattone and Diane Campbell. Nays: none. Absent: Lisa Scanio and Chris Stream. The motion passed. The Executive Session began at 7:21 p.m.

A motion was made by Diane Campbell and seconded by Jane Gattone to adjourn the Executive Session. On a voice vote, all Board Members voted Aye. Nays: none. Absent: Lisa Scanio and Chris Stream. The motion passed. The Executive Session adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING RESUMES

A motion was made by Jane Gattone and seconded by Diane Campbell to resume the Regular Board Meeting. On a voice vote, all Board Members voted Aye. Nays: none. Absent: Lisa Scanio and Chris Stream. The motion passed. The Regular Meeting resumed at 7:50 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

DISCIPLINE ACTION – A motion was made by Diane Campbell and seconded by Scott Miller, upon review of the hearing officers report regarding the discipline of student 2011-1, to uphold the suspension of student 2011-1. On a roll call vote, the following Board Members voted Aye: Robert Reding, Scott Miller, Jane Gattone, Diane Campbell and Joseph Pineau. Nays: none. Absent: Lisa Scanio and Chris Stream. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Diane Campbell and seconded by Jane Gattone, upon review of the hearing officers report regarding the discipline of student 2011-2, to uphold the suspension

of student 2011-2. On a roll call vote, the following Board Members voted Aye: Scott Miller, Jane Gattone, Diane Campbell, Joseph Pineau and Robert Reding. Nays: none. Absent: Lisa Scanio and Chris Stream. The motion passed.

CONSENT AGENDA – The Board agreed to remove two items from the Consent Agenda: Activity Accounts for Millburn Central and Millburn West; and Facilities Use Application Update. A motion was made by Diane Campbell and seconded by Joseph Pineau to approve the Consent Agenda, including the following:

1. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Public Hearing of Nov. 21, 2011
 - b. Regular Meeting and Executive Session of Nov. 21, 2011
 - b. Committee of the Whole Meeting of Dec. 5, 2011
2. Treasurer's Report and Approval
3. Bill Approval and Payment Authorization
4. Personnel Report
 - a. Intent to Retire from **Beth Overman** for 2015-16 SY
 - b. Intent to Retire from **Shannon Grams** for 2015-16 SY
 - c. FMLA for **Meredith Frediani**
 - d. FMLA for **Lawrence Laird**
 - e. Increase Time for ELL Paraprofessional Position

On a roll call vote, the following Board Members voted Aye: Jane Gattone, Diane Campbell, Joseph Pineau, Robert Reding and Scott Miller. Nays: none. Absent: Lisa Scanio and Chris Stream. The motion passed.

EXPENDITURES		12/31/11	
EDUCATION		OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE	
BILLS PAYABLE	\$204,240.57	BILLS PAYABLE	\$32,855.26
PAYROLL	\$962,460.48	PAYROLL	\$47,264.36
MISC			
TOTAL	\$1,166,701.05	TOTAL	\$80,119.62
TRANSPORTATION		IMRF/SOCIAL SECURITY	
BILLS PAYABLE	\$16,550.73	BILLS PAYABLE	
PAYROLL	\$77,556.28	PAYROLL	\$59,035.82
TOTAL	\$94,107.01	TOTAL	\$59,035.82
CAPITAL PROJECTS		DEBT SERVICE	
BILLS PAYABLE	\$0.00	BILLS PAYABLE	\$140,500.00
		TORT	
		BILLS PAYABLE	\$0.00
		PAYROLL	-\$709.41
		TOTAL	-\$709.41
		FUNDS TOTAL	\$1,539,754.09

ACTIVITY ACCOUNTS – Joseph Pineau asked about a \$3,360 transfer of funds from the Millburn West to the Millburn Central account. Jake Jorgenson explained that this was money raised during the 24-Hour Challenge that was deposited in the West account, but should have been deposited in Central's. A motion was made by Jane Gattone and seconded by Diane Campbell to approve the Activity Funds for Millburn Central and Millburn West. On a roll call vote, the following Board Members voted Aye: Diane Campbell, Joseph Pineau, Robert Reding, Scott Miller and Jane Gattone. Nays: none. Absent: Lisa Scanio and Chris Stream. The motion passed.

FACILITIES USE – Jane Gattone asked for clarification on the \$10 “per field” charge. Supt. Lind said the use of the term “per field” is a change from previous language on the Facilities Use form that specified “per event.” The new language allows the district to charge a separate fee for each field that is being used. A motion was made by Jane Gattone and seconded by Joseph Pineau to approve the Facilities Use Application Update. On a roll call vote, the following Board Members voted Aye: Joseph Pineau, Robert Reding, Scott Miller, Jane Gattone and Diane Campbell. Nays: none. Absent: Lisa Scanio and Chris Stream. The motion passed.

It was noted that Roger Manderscheid exited the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

GRADE CONFIGURATION – Supt. Jason Lind reviewed information on the topic of grade level configuration of the schools. The Board discussed its plans to present the information at two upcoming public forums, and the format that would be followed. Topics discussed included titling and sequencing of slides; explaining the purpose of the forums; and reviewing the process and timeline for a decision. The Board also discussed possible questions that would arise at the forums and how they would be addressed. These included topics such as transportation costs and savings, moving costs, availability of indoor and outdoor space, scheduling, staffing patterns and class size inequities. Mr. Lind said he will update the presentation and send it to Board Members before the forums.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Supt. Lind reported that there is a Winter Band Concert coming up this week. He also pointed out that the issue of grade level configuration would be discussed again at the Committee of the Whole Meeting in January.

Other future agenda items include PMA projections, Millburn Before and Afterschool Care, and an ISAT report.

It was noted that Dr. Stephen Johns, Dr. Cheryl Kucera, Elizabeth Keefe, Joanne Rathunde, Jake Jorgenson and Marybeth DeLaMar exited the meeting at 9:25 p.m.

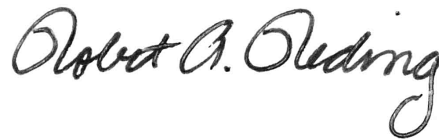
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A motion was made by Diane Campbell and seconded by Jane Gattone to adjourn the Executive Session. On a voice vote, all Board Members voted Aye. Nays: none. Absent: Lisa Scanio and Chris Stream. The motion passed. The Executive Session adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING RESUMES

A motion was made by Diane Campbell and seconded by Scott Miller to adjourn the Regular Meeting. On a voice vote, all Board Members voted Aye. Nays: none. Absent: Lisa Scanio and Chris Stream. The motion passed. The Regular Meeting adjourned at 10:16 p.m.



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

ATTEST:



Diane Campbell, Member
Board of Education
Millburn School District 24

1-18-2012

Date