

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Millburn School District 24

REGULAR MEETING
Feb. 24, 2014

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Greg Ball
Diane Campbell
Jane Gattone
Nichol Mangino
Scott Miller
Joseph Pineau

TREASURER

Roger Manderscheid

BOARD CLERK

Dorothy Pazanin

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

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

ADMINISTRATION ASSISTANT

Bernadette Hanna

VISITORS

Carol McGill	Gretchen Polenzani
Sheri Meverden	Lisa Jazo
Carine Lancaster	Judy Calhoun
Sandy Jacobs	Melissa Watters

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Millburn School District 24, Lake County, Illinois, held at Millburn Elementary School, was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by President Joseph Pineau. Roll call was taken with the following Board Members in attendance: Greg Ball, Diane Campbell, Jane Gattone, Nichol Mangino, Scott Miller and Joseph Pineau. Trak Patel was absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Carol McGill, speaking on behalf of the Millburn Federation of Teachers, thanked the Board of Education for its hard work. She also thanked the community for passing the referendum. She said the Millburn staff encourages the Board to carefully consider any new programs and staffing plans so the district can maintain financial strength and stability.

ADDITION OF NON-ACTION ITEMS – Diane Campbell said she would like to add a SEDOL update to the Board Reports.

RECOGNITION – There was none.

ACTION ITEMS

CONSENT AGENDA – The Board reviewed a copy of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Jan. 27, 2014, which they had not seen previously. After the review, a motion was made by Nichol Mangino and seconded by Diane Campbell to approve the Consent Agenda, including the following:

1. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Regular Meeting and Executive Session of Jan. 27, 2014
 - b. Committee of the Whole Meeting and Executive Session of Feb. 10, 2014
2. Treasurer's Report and Approval
3. Bill Approval and Payment Authorization
4. Activity Account
5. Personnel Report
 - a. Intent to Retire – **Tamara DeGrave** – 1.0 FTE LD Teacher – effective 2017-18 School Year
 - b. Hire Substitute Teachers
 - I. Rachel Roggensack
 - II. Jessica Sawchuck
 - III. Steven Duberstein
6. Milburn Cain & Company Audit Proposal for FY14

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

FULL DAY KINDERGARTEN/STAFFING FOR 2014-15 – The Board discussed the staffing plan for next school year and the recommendation for full-day kindergarten together, because both are part of the staffing proposal for the 2014-15 school year. The Board reviewed six options presented by the administration. Topics of discussion included:

- Long-term financial outlook
- Timing for implementing full-day kindergarten
- Full-day kindergarten's effect on state aid
- How additional staff affects lower class sizes
- Benefits of increasing physical education, math, technology and library support
- Viewing the staffing proposal as a framework, allowing flexibility in hiring
- State-mandated assessment for kindergarten
- Implementing the Common Core State Standards
- Amount of referendum dollars used to pay down debt
- Spending for items other than staffing, such as curriculum, technology and materials
- Duties of classroom aides in kindergarten

A motion was made by Greg Ball and seconded by Nichol Mangino to Accept the Administration's Staffing Recommendation (Proposal #1) for the 2014-15 School Year, amending the number of full-time teachers needed to implement full-day kindergarten to 3 instead of 3.5. On a roll call vote, the following Board Members voted Aye: Jane Gattone, Joseph Pineau, Diane Campbell, Nichol Mangino, Greg Ball and Scott Miller. Nays: none. Absent: Trak Patel. The motion passed.

It was noted that Roger Manderscheid exited the meeting at 8:06 p.m.

FEBRUARY 2014 EXPENDITURES				
EDUCATION		OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE		
BILLS PAYABLE	\$102,650.07	BILLS PAYABLE		\$56,582.66
PAYROLL/BENEFITS	\$704,285.89	PAYROLL/BENEFITS		\$42,413.47
MISC				
TOTAL	\$806,935.96	TOTAL		\$98,996.13
TRANSPORTATION		IMRF/SOCIAL SECURITY		
BILLS PAYABLE	\$19,759.64	BILLS PAYABLE	- SEDOL -	\$0.00
PAYROLL/BENEFITS	\$54,094.93	PAYROLL/BENEFITS		\$39,870.13
TOTAL	\$73,854.57	TOTAL		\$39,870.13
CAPITAL PROJECTS		DEBT SERVICE		
BILLS PAYABLE	\$0.00	BILLS PAYABLE		\$0.00
		TORT		
		BILLS PAYABLE		\$0.00
		FUNDS TOTAL		\$1,019,656.79

FACILITIES USE FEES FOR 2014-15 -- A motion was made by Nichol Mangino and seconded by Joseph Pineau to Approve the Facilities Use Fees for 2014-15 as presented. On a roll call vote, the following Board Members voted Aye: Joseph Pineau, Diane Campbell, Nichol Mangino, Greg Ball, Scott Miller and Jane Gattone. Nays: none. Absent: Trak Patel. The motion passed.

RED APPLE ACADEMY FACILITIES USE APPLICATION – It was noted that because Millburn will offer full-day kindergarten next school year, Red Apple Academy will be requesting the use of two classrooms, instead of three. A motion was made by Nichol Mangino and seconded by Joseph Pineau to Approve the Facilities Use Application from Red Apple Academy, reducing the number of classrooms requested from three to two. On a roll call vote, the following Board Members voted Aye: Diane Campbell, Nichol Mangino, Greg Ball, Scott Miller, Jane Gattone and Joseph Pineau. Nays: none. Absent: Trak Patel. The motion passed.

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

EARLY DISMISSALS – Supt. Jason Lind said he did not have a recommendation at this time concerning an Early Dismissal schedule for next school year. He would like to keep the item on future agendas for further discussion.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

A Board Member suggested that an update on the Superintendent's Evaluation be added as a future agenda item.

BOARD REPORTS

Diane Campbell reported that the SEDOL Executive Board will recommend that the SEDOL Governing Board approve the withdrawal of Districts 125, 96 and 103, based on terms agreed to by the districts and pending a legal review. SEDOL member districts have received a copy of the tentative agreement. Ms. Campbell reviewed the timeline for accepting the agreement and SEDOL's plan for future staffing. The Board discussed the impact this action will have on Millburn School District.

Nichol Mangino reported on her recent visit to Millburn Middle School. She said she could see how additional technology support will help the staff utilize the vast amount of equipment available, including smart boards, mimeos, computers and projectors. She visited a math class with more than 40 students, and a physical education class with 90 students. Both demonstrated the challenges associated with large class sizes. She visited an 8th Grade Science class and noted how teachers rely less on textbooks and more on electronic resources. She also spoke with a 6th grade math teacher about the benefit of adding additional math minutes next year. Ms. Mangino said her visit helped her realize how the staffing proposals approved at tonight's meeting will positively impact the students.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Supt. Jason Lind reminded Board Members about an upcoming Board Governance Meeting with an IASB field representative, and a Spring Dinner Meeting with area districts. It also was noted that two community meetings have been scheduled to present the program changes for the 2014-15 school year to the public. The meetings will be at 7 p.m. March 13 and 10 a.m. March 15, both at Millburn Middle School.

BUSINESS OFFICE REPORT

Dr. Stephen Johns highlighted a few items from his Business Office Report including insurance costs, the School Security Grant, two bus accidents and water pump issues at the elementary school.

It was noted that Dr. Stephen Johns, Elizabeth Keefe, Joanne Rathunde, Jake Jorgenson, Dr. Marybeth Whitney-DeLaMar and Bernadette Hanna exited the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

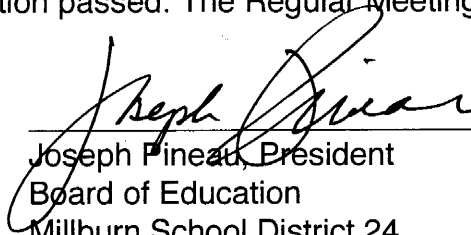
EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Scott Miller and seconded by Diane Campbell 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: Nichol Mangino, Greg Ball, Scott Miller, Jane Gattone, Joseph Pineau and Diane Campbell. Nays: none. Absent: Trak Patel. The motion passed. The Executive Session began at 8:51 p.m.

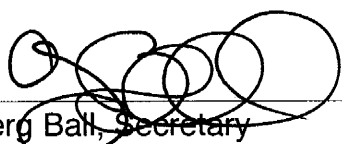
A motion was made by Scott Miller and seconded by Jane Gattone to exit Executive Session at 8:59 p.m. On a voice vote, all Board Members voted Aye. Nays: none. Absent: Trak Patel. The motion passed.

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



Joseph Pineau, President
Board of Education
Millburn School District 24

ATTEST:



Greg Ball, Secretary
Board of Education
Millburn School District 24

4/14/14

Date