

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Millburn School District 24

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
Feb. 10, 2014

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

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

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

BOARD CLERK

Dorothy Pazanin

VISITORS

Sheri Meverden	Carol McGill
Sandy Jacobs	Kathy Neville
Judy Calhoun	Carine Lancaster
Jodi Laughman	

A Committee of the Whole 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 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, Trak Patel and Joseph Pineau.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – There were none.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS – There were none.

RECOGNITION – There was none.

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

FULL-DAY KINDERGARTEN/STAFFING FOR 2014-15 – Supt. Jason Lind gave a presentation on staffing options for the 2014-15 School Year, including a proposal for full-day kindergarten.

Discussion topics included:

- Rationale behind successful referendum of last year
- Board policies for balanced budget and consistent programming
- Goals of Strategic Plan
- Financial history from Fiscal Year 2009 to present
- Financial projection through Fiscal Year 2019 if staffing does not change
- Financial impact of proposed increases
- Financial impact of proposed increases minus full-day kindergarten
- Projections for state aid
- Academic impact of full-day kindergarten
- Reasons for implementing full-day kindergarten in School Year 2014-15
- Projected cost of pension reform
- Balancing educational goals and financial resources
- Additional mandated assessment in kindergarten

- Job description for additional tech support
- Implementation of staffing proposal once it is approved

The staffing proposal will be an Action Item at the Regular Board Meeting scheduled for Feb. 24.

BUILDING USE FEES – Supt. Jason Lind said he recommends that the Building Use Fees remain the same for next year. This will be an Action Item on the agenda for the next Regular Board Meeting.

EARLY DISMISSALS – Supt. Jason Lind said he is still reviewing options for Early Dismissals next School Year. It will be a discussion topic at future Board Meetings.

AUDIT PROPOSAL – Supt. Jason Lind said he will recommend that the Board continue to use Milburn Cain & Co. to provide the district's annual external audit. Supt. Lind explained that the last time the Board requested bids for the district's annual external audit was in March 2010. He recommends that other proposals be requested next year, which will be a five-year span since proposals were sought.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Future agenda items include:

- Approve staffing levels for School Year 2014-15
- Approve Full-Day Kindergarten
- Approve Building Use Fees
- Accept Audit Proposal

BOARD REPORT

Nichol Mangino reported that she attended a SEDOL financial workshop along with Diane Campbell and Dr. Stephen Johns. SEDOL recapped the services and programs it provides, its income resources, and how its revenue is expended. Ms. Mangino said it gave her a better understanding of the benefits and cost to Millburn for being a part of this special education cooperative.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Supt. Jason Lind said he recently articulated with the Warren High School feeder schools. A main topic of discussion was SEDOL funding and financing. He also articulated today with Grayslake High School feeder schools. Grayslake is supporting a proposal to institute a 1 percent county sales tax for capital projects. This type of tax proposal would have to pass several layers of approval, including a referendum.

A team of Millburn fifth grade boys participated in the Lego League state tournament this past weekend. They placed 23rd out of 62 participating schools.

BUSINESS OFFICE REPORT

Dr. Stephen Johns reported that the district was awarded a \$50,000 School Maintenance Grant, which will be used to offset the cost of re-roofing a section of Millburn Elementary. He also reported on a water pipe break at the Elementary School in the boiler room. He said it was not due to the cold weather. Finally, he informed the Board about an incident in which a school bus collided with a deer. There were no students on the bus at the time. The estimated damage is \$5,200.

It was noted that Dr. Stephen Johns, Elizabeth Keefe, Joanne Rathunde, Dr. Whitney- DeLaMar, Jake Jorgenson and Bernadette Hanna exited the meeting at 8:46 p.m.

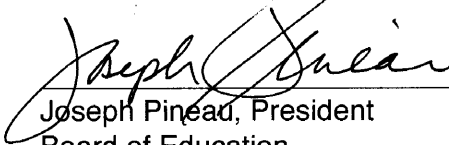
EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Diane Campbell and seconded by Trak Patel 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, Trak Patel, Diane Campbell, Joseph Pineau, Jane Gattone and Scott Miller. Nays: none. Absent: none. The motion passed. The Executive Session began at 8:55 p.m.

A motion was made by Jane Gattone and seconded by Nichol Mangino to exit Executive Session at 9:24 p.m. On a voice vote, all Board Members voted Aye. Nays: none. Absent: none. The motion passed.

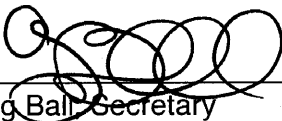
COMMITTEE MEETING RESUMES

There being no further business, a motion was made by Jane Gattone and seconded by Scott Miller 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 9:25 p.m.



Joseph Pineau, President
Board of Education
Millburn School District 24

ATTEST:



Greg Ball, Secretary
Board of Education
Millburn School District 24

24-Feb-14

Date