

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Millburn School District 24
REGULAR MEETING
Jan. 26, 2015

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Greg Ball
Diane Campbell
Jane Gattone
Nichol Mangino
Trak Patel
Joseph Pineau
Casandra Slade

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

VISITORS

Suzanne Dekorsi	Carol McGill
Carine Lancaster	Sai Narahari
Jeffrey Penn	Matthew Penn
Joshua Ball	Apoorva Narahari
Kim Ball	

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 7:15 p.m. by President Joseph Pineau. Roll call was dispensed with because it had been taken earlier at the Public Hearing with the following Board Members in attendance: Greg Ball, Diane Campbell, Jane Gattone, Nichol Mangino, Trak Patel, Joseph Pineau and Casandra Slade.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Board Member Greg Ball introduced the Swaggy Builders, a Lego League team comprised of Millburn students. The team members are Joshua Ball, Jeffrey Penn, Apoorva Narahari and Sai Narahari. Through Lego League, the students were assigned a project to propose ways to improve education. The students decided to research the topic of the one-to-one initiative, in which every student in school has their own portable technology device, such as a laptop or tablet. The student presentation discussed the advantages and challenges of such an initiative, and the results of their interviews with school personnel.

ADDITION OF NON-ACTION ITEMS – There was none.

RECOGNITION – Supt. Jason Lind recognized the district's two Media Center Specialists: Suzanne Dekorsi, who works at the Elementary School, and Carine Lancaster, from the Middle School. Supt. Lind explained that the district's former Learning Resource Centers were transformed this year into Media Centers, and the librarian position was redesigned with duties now filled by the media specialists. Ms. Dekorsi and Ms. Lancaster gave a presentation highlighting the changes this year, including upgrading the physical space, and providing technology support to students and staff to support the curriculum. Individual activities that have taken place already this year include Media Center tours for students at the beginning of the year, a mock Presidential press conference, student presentations that include use of tablets and the interactive Smart Board, a visit by author Matthew Rhoades, Family Reading Nights, student-made math videos, and use of Smart responders.

ACTION ITEMS

TAX ANTICIPATION WARRANTS – A motion was made by Greg Ball and seconded by Joseph Pineau to approve the Resolution of Intent to Issue Tax Anticipations Warrants--\$500,000. On a roll call vote, the following Board Members voted Aye: Trak Patel, Jane Gattone, Diane Campbell, Joseph Pineau, Greg Ball and Nichol Mangino. Casandra Slade voted Present. Nays: none. Absent: none. The motion passed.

TEST PROCTOR POSITIONS – Supt. Jason Lind explained that six testing areas will be set up in each school building to administer the upcoming PARCC test. This will allow whole grade levels to take the test at the same time. To accomplish this, additional proctors will be needed to administer the tests and provide technology assistance. A motion was made by Jane Gattone and seconded by Nichol Mangino to Create Three Test Proctor Positions for State Testing at a rate of \$90 a day. On a roll call vote, the following Board Members voted Aye:

Jane Gattone, Diane Campbell, Joseph Pineau, Greg Ball, Casandra Slade, Nichol Mangino and Trak Patel.
Nays: none. Absent: none. The motion passed.

CONSENT AGENDA – It was decided to remove Item I from the Consent Agenda: Official School Calendar 2015-16 School Year. A motion was made by Casandra Slade and seconded by Trak Patel to approve the Consent Agenda as amended, and including the following:

1. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Regular Meeting and Executive Session of Dec. 15, 2014
 - b. Committee of the Whole Meeting and Executive Session of Jan. 12, 2015
2. Treasurer's Report and Approval
3. Bill Approval and Payment Authorization
4. Activity Account
5. Personnel Report
 - a. Employment Offered To:
 - I. **Joseph Huffman** – Substitute Teacher
 - II. **Michele Keenan** – Substitute Teacher
 - III. **Kimberly Croegaert** – Substitute Teacher
 - IV. **Alicia Keys** -- Test Proctor
 - V. **RaeAnn Collins** -- Test Proctor
 - VI. **Jennifer Gari** -- Test Proctor
6. Overnight Field Trips for 2014-15
 - a. State Cross Country Meet
 - b. State Wrestling Meet
 - c. Band Trip
 - d. State Cheerleading Competition
 - e. State Track Meet
 - f. Water Rafting
 - g. Springfield Trip
7. Semi-Annual Review of Closed Executive Session Minutes
8. Destruction of Audio Tapes from Executive Session Minutes more than 18 months old
9. Second Reading and Adoption of District 24 Policy 7:180 Prevention of and Response to Bullying and Other Aggressive Behaviors
10. Illinois Prevailing Wage Act for Lake County, January 2015

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

JANUARY, 2015 EXPENDITURES

EDUCATION

BILLS PAYABLE	\$202,590.45	BILLS PAYABLE	\$72,811.85
PAYROLL/BENEFITS	\$1,011,375.76	PAYROLL	\$55,060.13
MISC			
TOTAL	\$1,213,966.21	TOTAL	\$127,871.98

TRANSPORTATION

BILLS PAYABLE	\$9,708.64
PAYROLL/BENEFITS	\$58,628.98
TOTAL	\$68,337.62

IMRF/SOCIAL SECURITY

BILLS PAYABLE	- SEDOL -
PAYROLL/BENEFITS	\$52,097.04
TOTAL	\$52,097.04

CAPITAL PROJECTS

BILLS PAYABLE	\$6,962.70
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DEBT SERVICE

BILLS PAYABLE	\$200.00
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TORT

BILLS PAYABLE	\$0.00
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FUNDS TOTAL	\$1,469,435.55
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2015-16 SCHOOL CALENDAR – A motion was made by Joseph Pineau and seconded by Nichol Mangino to approve the Public School Calendar for 2015-16 school year including the holiday waivers as presented at the public hearing; the person/persons honored by the holiday will be recognized through instructional activities conducted on the holiday or days preceding or following the holidays. On a roll call vote, the following Board Members voted Aye: Joseph Pineau, Greg Ball, Casandra Slade, Nichol Mangino, Trak Patel, Jane Gattone and Diane Campbell. Nays: none. Absent: none. The motion passed.

It was noted that Roger Manderscheid exited the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

MEDIA CENTERS PRESENTATION – This topic was covered earlier in the Recognition portion of the meeting.

FEES FOR 2015-16 – Supt. Jason Lind recapped discussions of school fees that had taken place at earlier meetings. He said the timetable to approve fees for the 2015-16 School Year is the Regular Board Meeting in February. This includes fees for registration, activities, activity bus, and facilities use. The Board discussed several facets of school fees, including:

- Option for a family cap
- Difference between fees for voluntary activities and fees required for school registration
- Value of a school activity and its fee compared to private-sector programs and costs
- Being able to financially sustain programs
- Option to decrease the Beginning Band fee because of fewer practices
- High Band fees leading to less participation, and creating elite or gifted groups
- Board and administration roles in implementing programs
- Ways to increase student participation in school activities
- Reasons that participation in some activities is decreasing

Supt. Lind said he will research the implications of decreasing the fee for Beginning Band and present his findings to the Board before a decision is made regarding fees.

FIRST READING OF BOARD POLICY ON TEEN DATING VIOLENCE – Supt. Jason Lind said the district does not currently have a policy that addresses the issue of teen dating and violence. He said the proposed policy has implications for 7th and 8th graders.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Future agenda items include:

- Staffing for 2015-16
- Fees for 2015-16
- Facilities Use Application for Red Apple Academy

BOARD REPORTS

There were no Board reports.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Supt. Jason Lind said the recent staff inservice was devoted to discussion of PARCC testing. He explained that there is a lot of time being devoted to staff and student training for the new assessment that is mandated by the state.

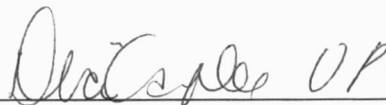
BUSINESS OFFICE REPORT

Dr. Stephen Johns said he plans to present a recommendation at the next meeting regarding the roof project bid. He also reported that he is in the process of updating financial projections based on the latest 12-month Consumer Price Index, which is 0.8 percent.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

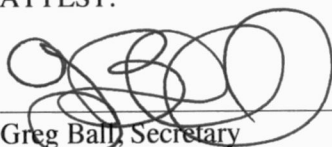
The Board determined that there was no need for an Executive Session.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Greg Ball and seconded by Trak Patel to adjourn the Regular Meeting. On a voice vote, all Board Members voted Aye. Nays: none. Absent: none. The motion passed. The Regular Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.



Joseph Pineau, President
Board of Education
Millburn School District 24

ATTEST:



Greg Ball, Secretary
Board of Education
Millburn School District 24



Date