

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Millburn School District 24
REGULAR MEETING
Sept. 28, 2015

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Greg Ball (via speaker phone)
Diane Campbell
Jane Gattone
Carissa LaTourette
Nichol Mangino
Trak Patel
Casandra Slade

TREASURER

Gary White

BOARD CLERK

Dorothy Pazanin

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

Jason Lind, Superintendent
Dr. Stephen Johns, Business Manager
Joanne Rathunde, Technology Director
Jake Jorgenson, Principal
Bennett Walshire, Principal

ADMINISTRATION ASSISTANT

Bernadette Hanna

VISITORS

Carol McGill
Kevin Arendt

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 p.m. by President Jane Gattone. Roll call was taken with the following Board Members in attendance: Diane Campbell, Jane Gattone, Carissa LaTourette, Nichol Mangino, Trak Patel and Casandra Slade. Greg Ball participated via speaker phone, starting at 7:15 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT – There was none.

ADDITION OF NON-ACTION ITEMS – An update on the 1:1 Technology initiative was added to the agenda as a discussion item.

RECOGNITION – Jane Gattone said that the Board of Education would like to recognize Bernadette Hanna, administrative assistant to the superintendent, for her dedication to Millburn School District. The Board is nominating Ms. Hanna for the Holly Jack Award, an IASB award that honors administrative assistants who serve and assist their local school boards. Ms. Gattone said the Board truly appreciates Ms. Hanna's years of service to the district. The award winner will be announced at the IASB conference in November.

ACTION ITEMS

CONSENT AGENDA – A motion was made by Diane Campbell and seconded by Trak Patel to approve the Consent Agenda, including the following:

1. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Regular Meeting of Aug. 24, 2015
 - b. Public Hearing for FY16 Budget of Sept. 14, 2015
 - c. Special Meeting of Sept. 14, 2015
 - d. Committee of the Whole Meeting of Sept. 14, 2015
2. Treasurer's Report and Approval
3. Payables Approval and Payment Authorization
4. Activity Account

5. Personnel Report

a. Hire

- I. Diane Cajka—1.0 FTE Paraprofessional
- II. Mary Gfesser—Substitute Health Clerk
- III. Judy Slazes—Substitute Health Clerk
- IV. Angela LeBlanc—0.6 FTE Paraprofessional

b. Substitute

- I. Vanessa Boss

c. FMLA

- I. Melissa Watters

6. Salary Compensation Report

7. Application for Recognition of Schools

8. Report of Shared Services or Outsourcing

9. Superintendent Goals

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

It was noted that Gary White exited the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

SEPTEMBER, 2015 EXPENDITURES**EDUCATION**

BILLS PAYABLE	\$111,779.62
PAYROLL/BENEFITS	\$764,470.11
MISC	
TOTAL	\$876,249.73

TRANSPORTATION

BILLS PAYABLE	\$9,399.92
PAYROLL/BENEFITS	\$57,061.32
TOTAL	\$66,461.24

**CAPITAL
PROJECTS**

BILLS PAYABLE	\$109,638.11
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OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE

BILLS PAYABLE	\$84,358.98
PAYROLL	\$40,383.07
TOTAL	\$124,742.05

IMRF/SOCIAL SECURITY

BILLS PAYABLE	
PAYROLL/BENEFITS	\$43,182.96
TOTAL	\$43,182.96

DEBT SERVICE

BILLS PAYABLE	\$0.00
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TORT

BILLS PAYABLE	\$106.00
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FUNDS TOTAL

\$1,220,380.09

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE – Supt. Jason Lind said he has been using various methods to notify the community of the six upcoming sessions that will focus on developing the district’s new Strategic Plan. He said it is important to involve the community in the process that will help define what type of school district Millburn is and will become. The opportunity to respond to the community survey ends this week. Certified staff will be participating in a focus group during the inservice activities on Oct. 9.

It was noted that Greg Ball joined the meeting via speaker phone at 7:15 p.m.

PROPOSED CELL PHONE TOWER – Supt. Jason Lind said that Global Signal Acquisitions has inquired about leasing a portion of district property near Millburn Middle School to install a 150-foot cell phone tower. Dr. Stephen Johns has talked with the company, the school district attorneys and with other schools who have entered into similar contracts. Jane Gattone said she informed the Heritage Trails Homeowner Association of the initial proposal. Supt. Lind explained that any further discussion of the cell phone tower proposal would take place in Executive Session because it involves a real estate contract. He explained that the Executive Session will be at the end of the meeting, and that no action will be taken during or after tonight’s Executive Session.

TECHNOLOGY INITIATIVE – Supt. Jason Lind reported that the district is beginning the first phase of its 1:1 Technology initiative, with the proposed goal of eventually issuing every student an iPad to enhance the learning environment. This year two classrooms—a third grade classroom in the Elementary School and a sixth grade classroom in the Middle School—will be piloting the program. Data will be collected during the year and the sustainability of the program will be examined. Joanne Rathunde explained that money donated by the Millburn Education Foundation was used to purchase iPads.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Future agenda items include the property tax levy and a presentation on the completed summer projects.

BOARD REPORTS

There were none.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Supt. Jason Lind reported on the following:

- He will be attending the Illinois Superintendent’s Conference in Springfield at the end of this week.
- NWEA testing is taking place this week and will continue next week.
- The Middle School 24-Hour Challenge event this past Friday and Saturday was a success.
- Fall Fest sponsored by the PTO this past weekend was well attended and also a success.

BUSINESS OFFICE REPORT


Dr. Stephen Johns reported on the recent Health/Life Safety Inspection conducted by the Regional Office of Education. No violations were noted at either school. Two recommendations were made for Millburn Middle School. Dr. Johns also said he has begun work on an Actuarial Study to estimate future costs of the retiree health insurance benefit.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Carissa LaTourette and seconded by Nichol Mangino to enter into Executive Session to discuss matters pertaining to a real estate lease. On a roll call vote, the following Board Members voted Aye: Diane Campbell, Jane Gattone, Casandra Slade, Nichol Mangino, Trak Patel, Carissa LaTourette, and Greg Ball. Nays: none. Absent: none. The motion passed. The Executive Session began at 7:50 p.m.

A motion was made by Trak Patel and seconded by Carissa LaTourette to adjourn the Executive Session. On a voice vote, all Board Members voted Aye. Nays: none. Absent: none. The motion passed. The Executive Session ended at 8:27 p.m.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Diane Campbell and seconded by Nichol Mangino 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 8:28 p.m.



 President
 Board of Education
 Millburn School District 24

ATTEST:



Secretary
 Board of Education
 Millburn School District 24

10/20/15

 Date