

# Millburn School District 24

## HIGHLIGHTS

### Board of Education's Committee of the Whole Meeting

Monday, November 24, 2014 – Millburn Middle School.

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Board Members in attendance: Casandra Slade, Jane Gattone, Joseph Pineau, Greg Ball, Nichol Mangino Absent: Trak Patel and Diane Campbell

*Note: this meeting began after the two public hearings. The first public hearing was for the Tax Levy and the second one was to waive the Limitation on Administrative Costs for 2014-15 school year.*

#### Recognition

Mr. Lind recognized the Special Learning Program at Millburn Middle School. This is the first year for this program. It is expertly planned by teacher Jessica Cabalquinto.

#### Action Items

##### Tax Levy

The Board approved the Tax Levy Resolutions and the Certificate of Tax Levy as presented. These documents can be found on the district website under "District" and the "From the Business Office."

##### Waive the Limitation on Administrative Costs

Since the Millburn District is in the lowest 25<sup>th</sup> percentile of districts with relation to administrative costs, a public hearing was held to waive the administrative cap for FY2015. This was Dr. Johns' explanation to the Board: *A school district's budgeted administrative expenditures cannot increase more than 5% each year according to Illinois School Code. While the FY2015 cash budget that was adopted didn't exceed 5% of the FY 2014 cash expenditures in FY2014, the FY2015 cash budget is 5.67% higher than the FY2014 modified accrual expenditures reported by the auditor on the Annual Financial Report. The district's budgeted expenditures are \$1,860 over the 5% cap.* The Board approved the resolution to waive the limitation.

#### Consent Agenda

The Board approved the minutes of past meetings, the Treasurer's Report, payables, Activity Account, and Personnel Report.

#### Information/Discussion

##### SLP Interactive MIMIO Board

Mrs. Cabalquinto spoke to the Board about her class and demonstrated how MIMIO Board technology is used with her students. The students were very engaged in the learning process. Very impressive!

##### Annual Statement of Affairs

This statement must be filed every year with the Illinois School Board of Education and sent as a legal notice to our newspaper of record (The Daily Herald). Information such as how much money is spent on building improvements, assets and liabilities, salaries, contracts, etc.

#### Board Reports

Board member, Jane Gattone, reviewed her November 14 school visit with the other members. She was able to watch several teachers interact with their students, including when the students were in specials. There were assessments going on also during this time. She witnessed lots of technology in use – MMIMOs, overhead projectors. She noticed they were used a lot with math instruction. Ms. Gattone was impressed that even during snack time the children were engaged with "BrainPOP" displayed on the overhead. Ms. Gattone even ate lunch in the cafeteria – the whole grain crust pizza was pretty good! She also spoke to the kindergarten teachers who are very grateful to be working with the students all day.

##### Superintendent Report

Mr. Lind reported that he has started putting together some dashboard items for our website.

Next Meeting: Committee of the Whole, December 8, 2014 – Millburn Middle School