

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL SESSION AND THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
MILAN COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION**

OCTOBER 16, 2017

The Board of School Trustees met in special session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, October 16, 2017. Attending were Board members Edward Amberger, Timothy Tuttle, Gregory Lewis, Michael Brandes and Douglas Norman. Also attending was Superintendent Jane Rogers. President Edward Amberger presided.

Mr. Norman motioned to approve the budget levies and tax rates for calendar year 2018. Seconded by Mr. Brandes. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Tuttle motioned to adjourn the special session. Seconded by Mr. Lewis. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned 7:01 p.m.

The October regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees began at 7:01 p.m. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Lewis motioned to approve the minutes from the public hearing and the regular meeting on September 18, 2017. Seconded by Mr. Brandes. Motion carried 5-0.

Comments from Patrons/Staff: None

Old Business: None

New Business:

Mr. Lewis motioned to approve a conference request from Brian Moline to attend an AP workshop at Butler University on November 21, 2017-corporation cost \$305.00. Seconded by Mr. Tuttle. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Lewis motioned to approve a fundraising request from Betsy Baugh to permit the FFA to sell fruit and beef products from October 17-November 8, 2017. Seconded by Mr. Brandes. Motion carried 5-0.

Due to scheduling conflicts, Mr. Norman motioned to change the date of the November meeting

from the 20th to the 13th. Seconded by Mr. Lewis. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Lewis motioned to add an item to the agenda. Seconded by Mr. Tuttle. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Tuttle motioned to approve a lease agreement for the Tribe Youth Wrestling Club to use the athletic building for their practices from 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday's and Thursday's from October 31, 2017 - February 1, 2018, with the stipulation from athletic director, John Prifogle, they will be sharing the building with other groups. There will be no charge. Seconded by Mr. Brandes. Motion carried 5-0.

Superintendent's Report:

Mrs. Rogers stated the first grading period had ended and it had gone well. She noted the parent-teacher conferences at the elementary school had been well attended and she thanked parents and teachers for their efforts in making this successful. She stated the first eLearning day had been a success and preparations were underway for the all school eLearning day on November 1st. She noted there will be no students in attendance this day, with no bus service and no café serving meals. She stated all students, grades K-12, will be doing off-site daily lessons, while teachers and staff will be attending meetings and professional development sessions. She noted surveys will be sent out to parents, teachers and students to get feedback and she will give a report at the November meeting. Mr. Lewis asked if we were close to being able to use an eLearning day for a real snow make up day. Mrs. Rogers commented we are close, but not yet ready to implement. Mrs. Rogers reported she, Mr. Tuttle, and Mr. Amberger had recently attended the fall ISBA conference and learned about the new budgeting laws, assessment and accountability. In sports news, she reported the following athletes making their ORVC all conference team: Cross Country – Gabe Rankin, Alyssa Brinkman and Emma Miller; Golf – Lindsey Tuttle; Volleyball – Courtney Bruns and Bayley Yorn; Soccer – Hunter Gray and Conner Miles; and Soccer – Sabrina Allen, Toria Gobel, Lielana Phelps, and Maggie Schmidt, with Todd Gobel being recognized as the ORVC soccer coach of the year.

Personnel:

Mr. Norman motioned to approve Mrs. Ahlrich's recommendation to employ Danielle Huddleson to fill the special education teaching vacancy for the 2017-18 school year. Seconded by Mr. Lewis. Motion carried 5-0.

Claims and Financial Report:

Mr. Brandes motioned to approve vendor checks #40409 through #40492, deposit advice #62013 through #62393, and the financial report. Seconded by Mr. Norman. Motion carried 5-0.

President's Prerogative:

Mrs. Rogers welcomed Mrs. Huddleson to the staff, stated Ag Day for 3rd graders was a huge success, and recognized patron Jerry Gauck who recently retired from the Indiana Corn Council.

Board members thanked everyone for attending, congratulated Mrs. Huddleson on her employment, fall athletes on their success, and asked for thoughts and prayers for teacher Carla Holt who recently lost her father.

Mr. Amberger dittoed what the other members had stated. He remarked he had been approached by a Vietnam vet from Oldenburg, who stated how proud he was of the Milan students who paused in their tennis match to stand at attention during the playing of the national anthem at a nearby football game. He wanted to recognize how great it was our students showed such respect. Mr. Amberger also encouraged patrons to visit the fantastic memorial at the American Legion post that one of the Milan boy scout troupes had designed and constructed as a project.

Mr. Tuttle motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Norman. Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting adjourned 7:17 p.m.