

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

MILAN COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION

MARCH 19, 2012

The Board of School Trustees met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, March 19, 2012. Attending were Board members Douglas Norman, Gregory Lewis, Edward Amberger, and Randy Kirk. Timothy Tuttle was absent due to illness. Also attending was Superintendent Dr. Thomas Reale. Board president Douglas Norman presided. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Lewis motioned to approve the minutes of the regular and the executive meetings on February 13, 2012. Seconded by Mr. Amberger. Motion carried 4-0.

Comments from Patrons/Staff:

Several patrons were in attendance to express concerns about the direction of the girls' basketball program. Glenda Day and Angela Beck voiced serious concerns about varsity coach Lisa Bradshaw, while Tonya Marsee read a letter from her daughter in support of the coach. Mrs. Day gave each Board member a packet of information and specified the contents were to be kept confidential. Mr. Norman stated the Board appreciated the patron comments and would take them under advisement.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Mr. Amberger motioned to approve a field trip request from Laura Hicks to take the high school art club to Chicago, Illinois from April 20-22, 2012. Seconded by Mr. Lewis. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Lewis motioned to sanction an archery club for the high school and middle school per the request of Mrs. Boggs. She had initiated the club as part of the ag program and it has been very successful. There will be no stipend for this activity. Seconded by Mr. Kirk. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Amberger motioned to approve the following fundraising requests: (1) The MHS show choir to sell tickets for the racing event at Lawrenceburg Speedway on April 21st. The choir will be singing at this event and for every ticket they sell, the choir receives \$5.00. (2) Milan Elementary PTO to sell pizza

kits from Little Caesar's from April 5th -20th to raise money for the elementary library makeover project.

Seconded by Mr. Lewis. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Lewis motioned to approve a lease agreement, after the fact, for Coach Bradshaw to use the middle school gym on February 26th for girls' youth basketball, free of charge. Seconded by Mr. Amberger. Motion carried 3-0. Mr. Kirk did not vote.

Dr. Reale presented the Board with a revision to the CDL Substance Abuse Policy for a first reading. He will request approval of the document at the April meeting.

Superintendent's Report:

Dr. Reale informed the Board the original 1953 and 1954 banners had been removed, folded, sealed and sent for storage in Indianapolis. There were no issues with removing the banners. The replacement banners furnished by *The Poole Group* have been hung in the high school gym.

Dr. Reale updated the Board on the teacher compensation pilot program. He noted the project should be complete in July.

Dr. Reale presented the 2012 budget order from the State and DLGF. He noted the figures were within one percent of what he expected.

Dr. Reale congratulated Mrs. Boggs for being selected for the 2012 National Agriscience Teacher Ambassador Academy. She is one of forty-eight agriscience teachers chosen nationwide for this honor. Dr. Reale noted she will be attending an all-expense paid conference in Maryland this summer and present workshops at the National FFA Convention in the fall and the NAAE Convention in Georgia in December. He remarked Mrs. Boggs is dedicated to rebuilding the ag program at Milan.

Personnel:

Dr. Reale informed the Board he had accepted the resignation of Leah Fullenkamp as the Speech/Language Therapist. Miss Fullenkamp is getting married and moving to Dayton, Ohio. He noted she had done a wonderful job and her leaving will be a loss. He also informed the Board elementary special education teacher Mary Sue Koch will be retiring at the end of the 2011-12 school year after nineteen years of service. He stated Mrs. Koch had done a wonderful job in the

moderate/severe self-contained classroom and would be difficult to replace. He noted she will be missed.

Mr. Amberger motioned to approve a request from Brandy Bastin to extend her maternity leave until the end of the 2011-12 school year. Trina Schutte will continue as her substitute during this time. Seconded by Mr. Lewis. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Amberger motioned to approve Brian Moline as a second boys' track coach. He will share the stipend with Jerrid McDonald. Seconded by Mr. Lewis. Motion carried 4-0.

Dr. Reale presented a request to employ Robert Green as an elementary special needs student specific instructional aide, retroactive to February 14, 2012. He stated the elementary staff had tried everything possible to alleviate the situation, but ROD felt there was a strong, immediate need to hire someone for this student. Mr. Green's salary will be reimbursed by ROD. Mr. Amberger motioned to approve the employment. Seconded by Mr. Lewis. Motion carried 3-0. Mr. Kirk did not vote.

Claims and Financial Report:

Mr. Lewis motioned to approve vendor checks #34589 through #34684, payroll checks #22053 through #22345, deposit advice # 36905 through #37246, and the financial report. Seconded by Mr. Kirk. Motion carried 4-0

President's Prerogative:

Dr. Reale noted his appreciation for the attendance at the meeting and stated all comments would be taken under advisement by the Board.

Mr. Amberger thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Mr. Lewis congratulated Mrs. Boggs on her achievement and noted his appreciation for the comments by patrons.

Mr. Norman thanked everyone for attending. He congratulated Mrs. Boggs, and wished Mrs. Koch many years of happy retirement, noting she had done a wonderful job in the special education classroom. He stated volunteers are important and needed in all school programs. He expressed that although

personnel matters cannot be discussed at a public meeting, the Board will take all issues presented tonight under advisement.

Mr. Kirk motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Amberger. Motion carried

4-0. Meeting adjourned 7:49 p.m.