

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

MILAN COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION

APRIL 16, 2018

The Board of School Trustees met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 16, 2018. Attending were Board members Douglas Norman, Gregory Lewis, Timothy Tuttle, Michael Brandes, and Edward Amberger. Also attending was Superintendent Jane Rogers. President Douglas Norman presided. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Tuttle motioned to approve the minutes from the executive session and regular meeting on March 12, 2018. Seconded by Mr. Brandes. Motion carried 5-0.

Comments from Patrons/Staff:

Band director, Stefani Bedel, was present with three high school band students – Elizabeth Sutherlin, Nathan Ortt, and Toria Gobel. The students gave an overview of the recent band tour to Branson, Missouri. They shared stories and photographs of their performances and also their interaction with the residents of the health care facilities where they played. They expressed how much they enjoyed dancing and talking with the elderly residents. They thanked the Board for approving the opportunity for the band members to tour every year.

Old Business:

Mr. Lewis motioned to approve section 4000 – Support Staff - of the new corporation handbook. Seconded by Mr. Amberger. Motion carried 5-0.

New Business:

Mrs. Rogers presented the Board with three quotes for the purchase of Chromebooks, cases, and licenses: CDW-\$73,890.90, PCMG- \$78,747.85 and Five Star-\$64,300.00. She recommended the purchase of 270 Chromebooks and licenses from Five Star for three grade levels as part of our purchase/replacement plan for 1-1 devices. She also recommended purchasing 175 Flak Jacket cases from Five Star. (Each year grade 5 and 9 will get new cases.) Mr. Brandes motioned to approve the recommendation. Seconded by Mr. Amberger. Motion carried 5-0.

Mrs. Rogers stated the current servers are five years old and it is time to replace them. She presented the Board with two quotes for the project: Dell - \$44,445.71 and Five Star - \$37,183.00. She

recommended approval of the Five Star quote. The old servers will be used for data back-up. Mr. Lewis motioned to approve the recommendation. Seconded by Mr. Brandes. Motion carried 5-0. Mr. Tuttle inquired if we did any off site back up or if Five Star had recommended this option. Mrs. Rogers stated she would look into this and get back to the Board.

Mrs. Rogers stated Mr. Prifogle had received three quotes for the removal and disposal of the existing high school gym floor: Kiefer U.S.A-\$47,775.00, Bruns-Gutzwiller, Inc.-\$25,800.00 and Poole Group, Inc.-\$25,128.00. Mr. Prifogle and Mrs. Rogers recommended approval of the Poole Group quote. Mr. Brandes motioned to approve the recommendation. Seconded by Mr. Amberger. Motion carried 5-0.

Mrs. Rogers stated the Property and Liability Insurance policy expires May 1, 2018. She reached out to three companies for quotes and received the following: ESCRFT \$59,577.00, Liberty Mutual Insurance \$61,383.00 and Wright Insurance \$56,564.00. She recommended approval of Wright Insurance through the Seitz Insurance Agency. This is a one year policy. She noted this was a \$529.00 savings over last year's cost. Mr. Amberger motioned to approve the recommendation. Seconded by Mr. Tuttle. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Tuttle motioned to approve the following fundraising requests: (1) the FFA to hold a silent auction during their banquet on April 26th; and (2) the FFA to sell plants and vegetables from the greenhouse beginning May 5th until all are sold. Seconded by Mr. Amberger. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Brandes motioned to approve the following lease agreements: (1) Milan Summer Baseball to use the softball fields June 29, June 30 and July 1st for the annual 4th of July baseball tournament. There will be no charge, but they will be responsible to clean up and empty all trash during the tournament; (2) Milan Summer Baseball to use the high school baseball field from April through June for Babe Ruth Baseball practice and games. Mr. Prifogle has stipulated that high school events will take precedence, the Babe Ruth coaches must rake the field and pick up and empty all trash, and there will be no restroom facilities available; and (3) The Milan Park Board is requesting approval for a lease agreement whereby the Corporation will pay \$1000.00 for the use of the Park's soccer fields for school activities from July 1-October 31, 2018. Seconded by Mr. Tuttle. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Lewis motioned to approve the following field trip requests: (1) Josie Bonilla to take 2-15 FCCLA members to a summer leadership camp at Vincennes University from June 13-14. She will use 1 white bus; (2) Josie Bonilla to take 2-6 FCCLA members to the National FCCLA conference in Atlanta, Georgia from June 27-July 3. Students will provide their own transportation; and (3) Jessica Small-Summers to take 10 seniors to the Fermilab in Batavia, Illinois from April 27-28. She will use one white bus and the SUV. Seconded by Mr. Tuttle. Motion carried 5-0.

Superintendent's Report:

Mrs. Rogers gave a monthly update of events. She stated the free water sampling for lead in water lines had been completed at the elementary school, with no fixture testing positive. She noted the process was continuing in the other buildings and she would bring the results to the Board when she received them. She informed the Board Noel Houze had obtained a \$20,000 Rising Sun Foundation Grant to update the security cameras on all the buses. She stated Duke Energy had awarded \$19,000 for the Jumpstart Summer Reading Program. She thanked Mrs. Ahlrich for applying for the grant. Mrs. Rogers congratulated the four seniors who were awarded the Mortara scholarships of \$10,000 per year for four years college tuition: Raelynn Stewart, Abigael Riehle, Nathan Ortt and Whitney Winters. She ended by stating part two of ISTEP starts tomorrow.

Personnel:

Mrs. Rogers reported she had accepted the resignation of Joshua Blankinship as the boys' varsity basketball coach. She noted resignations do not require Board approval.

Mr. Lewis motioned to approve the intent to retire at the end of the 2017-18 school year for Mary Pat Taylor. Mrs. Taylor has been a Milan Elementary teacher since 1991. Seconded by Mr. Amberger. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Brandes motioned to approve the recommendation of Ginny Shannon to employ Rosa Jarrett as a part time elementary cafeteria worker, retroactive to March 5, 2018. Seconded by Mr. Lewis. Motion carried 5-0.

Claims and Financial Report:

Mr. Tuttle motioned to approve vendor checks #40863 through #40944, deposit advice

#64505 through #65073, and the financial report. Seconded by Mr. Amberger. Motion carried 5-0.

President's Prerogative:

Mrs. Rogers thanked the band members for their presentation. She noted spring sports were in full swing.

Mr. Brandes thanked Mr. Houze for applying for the grant for the bus camera, Duke Energy for the Jumpstart grant, and the Rising Sun Foundation for their generous support. He wished Mrs. Taylor a happy retirement and thanked Mr. Blankinship for his years of service as varsity basketball coach.

Mr. Amberger thanked everyone for attending. He stated he did not get to attend band tour this year, but he had enjoyed it in the past and he expressed how great it was to see the affection and care the students displayed for the residents in the places where they played concerts. He thanked Mrs. Taylor for her years of service, thanked the Rising Sun Foundation and Duke Energy for their generosity, and thanked Mr. Houze for writing the bus camera grant.

Mr. Tuttle dittoed what was previously stated.

Mr. Lewis thanked everyone for attending and expressed his appreciation to all the employees who work so hard to make Milan great. He thanked the band members for their presentation, thanked those who wrote grants and those who awarded them, and wished Mrs. Taylor a happy retirement.

Mr. Norman thanked everyone for attending, expressed best wishes to Mrs. Taylor, and thanked the Rising Sun Foundation and Duke Energy for the grants.

**Mr. Tuttle motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Amberger. Motion carried 5-0.
Meeting adjourned 7:22 p.m.**