

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

MILAN COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION

JUNE 18, 2018

The Board of School Trustees met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, June 18, 2018. Attending were Board members Douglas Norman, Timothy Tuttle, and Edward Amberger. Gregory Lewis and Michael Brandes were absent. 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 regular meeting and executive session on May 21 2018, and the public hearing and executive session on June 11, 2018. Seconded by Mr. Amberger. Motion carried 3-0.

Comments from Patrons/Staff:

Mrs. Rogers introduced members of the girls' softball team. The team recently won the regional championship. Mrs. Rogers praised the girls for their good character, excellent sportsmanship and their top rated academic standings.

Mrs. Rogers introduced Chip Orben from Duke Energy. Mr. Orben presented a check for \$19,187 to elementary principal, Mrs. Ahlrich, to help defray expenses for a summer remedial program. He stated this was the second consecutive year Duke had extended grant money to Milan, and even though it is a competitive process, Duke was impressed with Milan's success, therefore awarding them the grant. Mrs. Ahlrich expressed her appreciation to Duke stating the grant money pays for teachers, books and computer software to help needy readers succeed.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Mr. Amberger motioned to approve all student handbooks and the athletic handbook as presented. Seconded by Mr. Tuttle. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Tuttle motioned to approve the revised Chromebook policy handbook as presented. Seconded by Mr. Amberger. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Amberger motioned to approved the proposal for student book bills and lab fees for the

2018-19 school year. Seconded by Mr. Tuttle. Motion carried 3-0. Mrs. Rogers stated it was the intention to have online registration ready by July 9th, in order to give parents adequate time to register their student and pay book bills.

Mr. Tuttle motioned to approve a conference request from Jessica Small Summers to attend a physics AP summer institute in Indianapolis from July 10-13, 2018, with a cost to the corporation of approximately \$1456.00. Seconded by Mr. Amberger. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Amberger motioned to approve the three year renewal and rollover of Mrs. Rogers' superintendent contract as posted, with a retroactive date of December 2017 – June 2021. Seconded by Mr. Tuttle. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Tuttle motioned to approve the two year renewal and rollover of the administrative contracts of Mr. Langferman, Mr. Murphy, Mrs. Ahlrich and Mr. Prifogle with a \$1500.00 increase in pay. Seconded by Mr. Amberger. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Amberger motioned to approve a classified salary increase of \$.25 per hour on the salary schedule for each category, except the SRO; that salary is paid through grant money. Seconded by Mr. Norman. Motion carried 3-0. Mr. Norman stated the classified employees often get overlooked, but are imperative to the operation of the school. He expressed his appreciation to them and stated the raise was well deserved.

Mr. Amberger motioned to approve a pay rate change for bus drivers. The change includes \$75 per day, plus \$.70 per mile for a CDL driver; \$73 per day for the special needs drivers and \$150 per year for drivers who take their buses home to park. Seconded by Mr. Tuttle. Motion carried 3-0. Mr. Norman stated bus drivers pay an important role and he expressed his appreciation to them.

Mr. Tuttle motioned to approve a lease agreement for Amy Tush to use the elementary parking lot and the restrooms on July 7, 2018 from 7:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. for a 5K run. Seconded by Mr. Amberger. Motion carried 3-0.

Mrs. Rogers stated the high school would like to offer a new CTE course for the 2018-19 school year – Course 5974 *Work Based Learning, Multiple Pathways*. This course would permit students to have work based projects and internships to help them confirm a career path. Mr. Amberger

motioned to approve the course. Seconded by Mr. Norman. Motion carried 3-0.

Superintendent's Report:

Mrs. Rogers gave a monthly update of events. She stated ISTEP scores had been released, but this was the last year for it; next year the testing assessment will be called ILEARN. She noted the recent Digital Splash conference was a success, with two well-known key note speakers. She thanked Brandy Hicks for her work with this project. She congratulated 8th grade students, Karly Bushhorn and Caleb Prozanski for being presented \$500 Ivy Tech scholarships from Congressman Messer from the 8th grade scholars program for the 6th congressional district. She noted summer maintenance was on track.

Personnel:

Mrs. Rogers reported she had accepted the resignations of Calvin McCarthy as a middle school custodian effective May 30, 2018; Lennie Lynd as a part time high school cafeteria employee effective the end of the 17-18 school year; and Amy McMullin as the high school library aide effective the end of the 17-18 school year.

Mr. Amberger motioned to approve a request from Tina Mutz to take a maternity leave of absence for the 2018-19 school year. She will be expected to return to work at the beginning of the 2019-20 school year. Seconded by Mr. Tuttle. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Tuttle motioned to approve a request from Christine Wilhelm to take a sabbatical for the 2018-19 school year, due to health issues. She will be expected to return for the 2019-20 school year. Seconded by Mr. Amberger. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Tuttle motioned to approve the following: Mr. Langferman's recommendation to employ Torie Purdy as a high school math teacher; and Mr. Murphy's recommendation to employ Timmi Elbright as an intermediate school teacher. Seconded by Mr. Amberger. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Amberger motioned to approve Josh Berger's recommendation to employ Michelle Cortes as an 8 hour custodian at the high school to fill the present vacancy. Seconded by Mr. Tuttle. Motion carried 3-0.

Claims and Financial Report:

Mr. Amberger motioned to approve vendor checks #41025 through #41109, deposit advice

#65450 through #65863, and the financial report. Seconded by Mr. Tuttle. Motion carried 3-0.

President's Prerogative:

Mrs. Rogers introduced Torie Purdy, the new high school math teacher, and Mr. Murphy introduced Timmi Elbright, the new intermediate teacher.

Mrs. Rogers introduced Yatzie Roysden, the girls' softball coach. Coach Roysden praised the team, and highlighted their many accomplishments. He thanked his assistant coaches and the volunteers who put in many hours. Those people were Larry Wert, Kelly Ferreira, Ted Amberger, Gayle Healy, Tasha Sheets, Rob Yelton and Eric Widener.

Mr. Amberger thanked Duke Energy for the grant money, welcomed the new employees, congratulated the Class of 2018, and congratulated the softball team. He thanked the Milan Fire Department for giving of their time to parade the various winning teams around town after their accomplishments, stating it showed pride for our athletes.

Mr. Tuttle dittoed what Mr. Amberger stated, noting it was fantastic year for the softball team, as it was the first time the team had made it to the final four. He also congratulated the archery team for going to world competition and doing well. He welcomed those attending and stated he was glad the employees got raises.

Mr. Norman thanked everyone for attending, thanked Duke for the grant, congratulated the new staff members, and stated he looked forward to working with Mrs. Rogers for the next three years.

Mr. Amberger motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Tuttle. Motion carried 3-0.

Meeting adjourned 7:31 p.m.