

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

MILAN COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION

OCTOBER 15, 2018

The Board of School Trustees met in regular session at 7:01 p.m. on Monday, October 15, 2018. Attending were Board members Douglas Norman, Gregory Lewis, Michael Brandes, and Timothy Tuttle. Edward Amberger was absent. Also attending was Superintendent Jane Rogers. President Douglas Norman presided. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Lewis motioned to approve the minutes from the September 17, 2018 public hearing and the regular meeting. Seconded by Mr. Tuttle. Motion carried 4-0.

Comments from Patrons/Staff:

Shelby Ison, Agriculture teacher and FFA sponsor addressed the Board about recent FFA activities. She noted Ag Day was held at the Ripley County Fairgrounds on October 3rd. Four area schools-Milan, Jac-Cen-Del, South Ripley and Batesville, sent FFA representatives and their third grade classes to this event. FFA members enjoyed teaching the students about agricultural topics. Ms. Ison also highlighted the upcoming national FFA convention to be held later in October in Indianapolis. She stated there will be FFA members from all fifty states, plus Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands that will attend this event. She commented the students would be exposed to many great keynote speakers and go to the tradeshow where they would meet members of industry, business representatives and college representatives. FFA members, Emily Mutter, Bryan Rohrig and Anthony Strassell were in attendance and commented how much they enjoyed the Ag Day events, and were looking forward to attending the convention.

Old Business:

Mr. Brandes motioned to approve section #6000 – *Finance*- of the new corporation handbook. Seconded by Mr. Tuttle. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Tuttle motioned to approve the revisions to the CDL substance abuse policy. Seconded by Mr. Lewis. Motion carried 4-0.

New Business:

Mr. Tuttle motioned to approve a resolution authorizing Mrs. Rogers to sign official documents and enter into contracts on behalf of the Corporation. Seconded by Mr. Brandes. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Lewis motioned to approve a request from Dollars for Scholars to hold their annual Turkey Dinner in the elementary cafeteria on Sunday, November 4th, from 7:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. There will be no charge, the corporation will pay for custodial help. Seconded by Mr. Tuttle. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Tuttle motioned to approve a field trip request from Shelby Ison to take 12 FFA members to the national convention in Indianapolis from October 24-25, 2018. Seconded by Mr. Lewis. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Lewis motioned to approve two fundraising requests from Shelby Ison on behalf of the FFA (1) To sell their decorating projects from October 15-31; and (2) To solicit area businesses to sponsor FFA activities from October 15-31. Seconded by Mr. Brandes. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Brandes motioned to change the meeting date of the November meeting from the 19th to the 12th, due to conflicts. Seconded by Mr. Tuttle. Motion carried 4-0.

Superintendent's Report:

Mrs. Rogers stated ISTEP+ scores have been released. She agreed with State superintendent Dr. Jennifer McCormick that these results indicate we are moving in the right direction. Mrs. Rogers also noted that the ISTEP+ is being replaced by ILEARN, a computer adapted testing method. She commended elementary school nurse, Tammy Jutzi, who had applied for and received a grant from the Rising Sun Foundation to provide trauma kits for every corporation classroom. She also stated the Archery Club had received a grant from Whitetails Unlimited to help fund their program. She concluded her report by stating the first eLearning day had gone well. The elementary conducted parent-teacher conferences on this day, while the high school, middle school and intermediate school had professional development for the teachers. The bus drivers and cafeteria assistants had training sessions as well on this day.

Personnel:

Mr. Lewis motioned to approve a recommendation from Ginny Shannon to employ Kathleen Haney for the 2.75 hour part time open position in the high school cafeteria. Seconded by Mr. Tuttle. Motion carried 4-0.

Claims and Financial Report:

Mr. Brandes motioned to approve vendor checks #41355 through #41434, deposit advice #67004 through #67381, and the financial report. Seconded by Mr. Tuttle. Motion carried 4-0.

President's Prerogative:

Mrs. Rogers congratulated all the fall teams and coaches for their great seasons. She noted three boys and four girls from the cross country team had qualified for regional competition, and Alyssa Brinkman was in the top ten at Sectionals and also broke a school record. She thanked Ms. Ison and the FFA members for their presentation.

Board members thanked everyone for attending the meeting, stated their appreciation for the FFA presentation, and thanked the various organizations for the grant monies.

Mr. Brandes motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Tuttle. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned 7:18 p.m.