

**MILAN AREA SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
WORKSHOP MEETING
WEDNESDAY, January 31, 2018**

The regular meeting of the Milan Area Schools Board of Education was called to order by President Vershum at 7:00 p.m. on January 31, 2018.

Board Members Present: Cislo, Kiger, Landingham, Peacock, Heikka, Vershum, Moccio

Board Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Bryan Girbach, Ryan McMahon, Krista Hendrix

Guests Present: Julia Woelmer

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comments: None

Motion by Kiger supported by Peacock to approve the 2017-2018 January General Fund Budget Amendment as presented in Attachment A1. All Ayes. Carried 7-0

Motion by Moccio supported by Peacock to appoint Carrie Mink to the administrative position of Adult Education Coordinator with a Base Salary of \$45,000, effective immediately.
All Ayes. Carried 7-0

The Board discussed their community involvement goal. The Board thanked Wendy Unger for her help in preparing the Art Boards and Dan Heikka for transporting the boards to the Let's Chill Festival.

The Board discussed Annual Data Reporting.

Motion by Peacock supported by Kiger to approve the NEOLA policy updates as presented in Attachments C1 and C2. All Ayes. Carried 7-0

Superintendent's Comments:

Students

- Paddock had a successful Jump with Jill assembly on January 22nd. The assembly was paid for with a grant and promoted a theme of healthy eating. The students had a great time rocking out for nutrition.
- The High School will be hosting a Freshman Information Night for parents of current 8th graders. The event is scheduled for February 6th at 6:00 PM.

General

- Superintendent Girbach attended the MASA Mid-Winter conference last week. He enjoyed attending general sessions regarding early childhood literacy, superintendent

EdTalks, federal AASA updates, and MI legislative updates. In addition, Superintendent Girbach attended breakout sessions on: compensation & merit pay, the Comprehensive Needs Assessment report, the MI financial adequacy study, and central office use of NWEA.

- On January 31st, Superintendent Girbach attended a Washtenaw Futures meeting. The MCAN (Michigan College Access Network) group is continuing to grow. Topics discussed included: college remedial courses, college coaches (Milan has one), and MCAN sustainability.
- No School REMINDERS: Mid-Winter Break is February 16th through February 19th. Spring Break is March 26th through April 2nd.

Communication

- The district currently has 630 Twitter followers. That is up 40 from last meeting.
- The district currently has 1,408 Facebook followers. That is up 8 from last meeting.

Legislative

- On January 29th, Superintendent Girbach attended a Legislative Coffee at the WISD. Representative Dingell's office and several MI representatives were present. Topics discussed included: federal budget negotiations, the MI revenue consensus conference, MI tax reforms, school calendar bills, and the MI school report card system.

Board

- Superintendent Girbach discussed the changes to IRS rules that now require Board Members to be compensated through the W-2 process.

Assistant Superintendent Comments:

Assistant Superintendent McMahon announced that the District Improvement Surveys would be sent out soon.

Assistant Superintendent McMahon attended the CNA workshop conference. The CNA workshop provides the opportunity to better understand and build on your student data in order to drive positive student growth in your district.

Assistant Superintendent McMahon announced that District Improvement meetings would be scheduled to coordinate survey data, annual reports, and to create the plan for internal reviews

Assistant Superintendent McMahon presented an update on the MMS StudySync curriculum implementation. His observations, interviews, and surveys informed his investigation of the implementation of the new ELA curriculum at MMS.

Assistant Superintendent McMahon announced that the district's Title IV application had been approved. However, the district has to wait until Title II is approved before they begin to spend the funds.

The district will be undergoing a Title III audit. Mr. McMahon will be submitting our detailed report in February and then participating in an interview with MDE in March.

Board Member Comments:

- Board Member Peacock announced the upcoming Bullycide presentation on February 8, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.
- Board Member Vershum will be attending the Labor Relations Conference on February 9th presented by MASB as well as the Mid-Winter Conference on February 23rd.
- Board Member Cislo congratulated the Middle School on the National Junior Honor Society program. He stated that Dr. Spickard and Mrs. Segrist did a nice job presenting. Cislo also commented on what a nice job the Middle School Swim Team did at their state meet.

Public Comments: None

Time of Adjournment: 8:08 p.m.