

**MILAN AREA SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, October 12, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Milan Area Schools Board of Education was called to order in the Milan High School Theater located at 200 Big Red Drive, Milan MI, 48160, by President Cislo at 7:00 p.m. on October 12, 2022.

Board Members Present: Cislo, Kiger, Faro, Frait, Rosen-Leacher, Moccio, Heikka

Board Members Absent: None

Signed in Staff: Bryan Girbach, Ryan McMahon, Krista Hendrix

Signed in Guests: Daniel Clark, Jules Meade, Jenna McCall, Aidan Broadworth, Rachel Hobbs, Jill Tewsley, Adina Caciuc, Mike Angstadt, George Elder, Lisa Sanders

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion by Moccio supported by Kiger to thank the administrators of Milan Area Schools as recorded in Attachment A. All Ayes. Carried 7-0

Public Comment:

- Rachel Hobbs discussed her informal and FOIA request for expense reports. She also discussed the upcoming Senior College Night.
 - Mr. Girbach expressed disagreement with certain comments made by Ms. Hobbs, and indicated that he followed the law as it relates to FOIA.
- Lisa Sanders informed the community that October is Dyslexia Awareness Month and expressed concern related to the removal of Power Time at the Middle School.

Motion by Faro supported by Kiger to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting of September 28, 2022. All Ayes. Carried 7-0

Motion by Heikka supported by Kiger to approve the bills/reimbursement of expenses. All Ayes. Carried 7-0

Motion by Faro supported by Moccio to approve the 2023 Resolution to Levy Summer Taxes as included in Attachment B. All Ayes. Carried 7-0

The Board heard the First Reading of the 2022 Annual Audit by Daniel Clark of Rehmann as in Attachment C

Both Faro and Heikka sought clarification on the 2022 Annual Audit.

Motion by Faro supported by Rosen-Leacher to appoint the following people to the teaching positions listed and Base Salaries listed effective for the 2022-2023 school year.

- * Nancy Tetens - Paddock Library (\$30,280)
- * Alice Brobst-Walsh - Symons Library (\$30,280)
- * Lisa Griffith - Young 5's Specials (\$20,421)

All Ayes. Carried 7-0

Both Frait and Heikka sought clarification on the proposed appointments.

The Board discussed the Communication Committee's Recommendations as included in Attachment D.

Public Comments

- Lisa Sanders expressed her appreciation with the Board's discussion of the Communication Committee's recommendations. She also suggested developing an app to assist parents.
- Rachel Hobbs disagreed with Mr. Girbach's response to her earlier comments and requested that the District hold its College Night multiple times. She also questioned the use of certain grant monies.
- Steve Frait sought clarification on certain recent hires.
 - Mr. Girbach provided Mr. Frait with the clarification he requested.

Superintendent's Comments were heard on the following topics:

- Free/Reduced lunch program
- National Bullying Prevention Month
- National School Principals Month
- District ALICE Training
- Milan Area Schools Board of Education Meet the Candidate Forum
- District Calendar Changes
- Sex Education Advisory Board Meeting
- Successful Annual Audit

Assistant Superintendent Comments were heard on the following topics:

- District Grant Updates
- Special Populations Conference

Board Member Comments:

- Cislo discussed certain GMACF grants, invited the community to upcoming Homecoming events, discussed the upcoming MASB conference, thanked the District's Administrators, thanked Krista Hendrix and the Central Office staff for their work on the audit, mentioned that he attended a flag football game and a Girl's swim meet at which the senior girls recognized teachers and coaches that impacted their education, and thanked Karen Lambert for collating the recommendations from the Communications Committee.
- Rosen-Leacher thanked the District's DEI group for their amazing work.

- Faro thanked the District's DEI group for their invitation to their recent meeting and thanked Krista Hendrix and the Central Office staff for their work on the audit.
- Frait announced Dine to Donate for Symons, congratulated the Equestrian, Swim, Tennis, Soccer, and Robotics teams, discussed the upcoming Homecoming festivities, sought clarification on the Board Student Representatives, and sought input for the WASB and WISD legislative groups.
- Heikka suggested that the District encourage the WASB and WISD to make school safety a priority, congratulated the Tennis, Volleyball, and Swim teams, wished the Football team luck at Homecoming, thanked the Communications Committee for their work, thanked the Superintendent for implementing parental choice programs in the MAS libraries, and thanked Krista Hendrix for her work on the audit.
- Kiger thanked the DEI Committee and Girls' Swim Team for invites to recent events, thanked Krista Hendrix for her work on the audit, thanked the District's Administrative Team for their work, and discussed Board participation in the Downtown Trick or Treating events.
- Moccio thanked Krista Hendrix and the Central Office staff for their work on the audit, thanked the Communications Committee, and congratulated Paddock for a successful fall festival event.

Time of Adjournment 8:45 p.m.