

**MILAN AREA SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
WORKSHOP MEETING
WEDNESDAY, November 15, 2017**

The workshop meeting of the Milan Area Schools Board of Education was called to order by President Kiger at 7:00 p.m. on November 15, 2017.

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

Board Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Bryan Girbach, Ryan McMahon,

Guests Present: None

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comments: None

Motion by Cislo supported by Vershum to approve the consent agenda, which includes: the minutes of the regular meeting of October 11, 2017, the minutes of the workshop meeting of October 25, 2017, and the payment of bills/reimbursement of expenses. All Ayes. Carried 7-0

The Board held a discussion regarding the Symons Elementary School A la carte menu.

Superintendent's Comments:

Students

- The students of MHS will proudly perform four productions of "The Butler Did It". The productions are scheduled on 11-16, 11-17, & 11-18 at 7:00 PM and on 11-19 at 2:30 PM.

Staff

- Superintendent Girbach and 6 staff members attended the first of four sessions of the WISD Justice Leaders CORE Cohort 3 Diversity Training module on Tuesday (11-14-17).
- Superintendent Girbach conducted a Transitions Focus Group meeting on 11-8-17. The next meeting is scheduled for 6:00 PM on Wednesday (12-20-17).

General

- Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on Monday (11-20-17) and Tuesday (11-21-17). The students will have half-days on Tuesday (11-21-17) and Wednesday (11-22-17). There is no school on Thursday (11-23-17) and Friday (11-24-17).

Communication

- The district currently has 587 Twitter followers. That is down 3 from last meeting.
- The district currently has 1,350 Facebook followers. That is up 5 from last meeting.

Budget

- The Washtenaw County Special Education Millage renewal was approved on November 7th (74% Yes and 26% No). The district thanks the supportive Milan Area Schools Community.

Assistant Superintendent's Comments:

- Students of the MCIS using a Project Based Learning approach created an advertising campaign focusing on a social issue of nation scope that impacts the health and wellbeing of people in the State of Michigan. The student's presentation Day was last week and Assistant Superintendent McMahon was very impressed with the presentations and with the investment by the students.
- McMahon spoke to the Board about being contacted by Washtenaw Community College about developing a partnership program around math. McMahon will be meeting with the high school staff on Friday and then convening both sides in the near future.
- The ALN teacher group met today for the third meeting of the year. The group is making progress on transparency and curriculum alignment documents. The group will be traveling to the different buildings before their next meeting. They intend to speak with staff members from each building about the initiative.
- Assistant Superintendent McMahon stated that he and Superintendent Girbach will be paring with Mr. DeSarbo and Mrs. Gillow to hold informational meetings for parents of students that received Individual Reading Improvement Plan's. The meetings will be held just prior to each building's scheduled parent teacher conferences.

Board Member Comments:

- Board Members Peacock, Cislo, Moccio, Vershum, Heikka and Landingham all gave updates on the recently attended MASB Conference and thanked MAS for sending them.
- Board Member Cislo recently attended the City Council meeting on behalf of the Board. Cislo thanked Mr. McMahon and Mr. Kaiser for overseeing the signing of a letter of intent for his daughter Madelyn, to Oakland University. He also congratulated the Girl's Swimming and Diving team.

Public Comments: None

Motion by Landingham supported by Cislo to enter into closed session as allowed by the Open Meetings Act for Periodic Superintendent Evaluation. All Ayes. Carried 7-0

Time entered closed session 9:04 p.m.

Motion by Heikka supported by Landingham to return to open session. All Ayes. Carried 7-0

Time returned to open session 10:56 p.m.

Time of Adjournment 10:56 p.m.