

**MILAN AREA SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, March 9, 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 March 9, 2022

Board Members Present: Cislo, Heikka, Landingham, Faro, Moccio, Frait

Board Members Absent: Kiger

Staff Present: Bryan Girbach, Ryan McMahon, Jennifer Bookout, Jessica Stafford, Yvette Kashmer, Allison Jordet, Lisa Draheim, Jennifer Barker, Jennifer Smith, Sue Kesterson, Elizabeth Satterley, Clara Thiry

Guests Present: Jill Tewsley, Rachel Hobbs, Hannah Strimpel, Carrie Gutierrez, Ashley St. Clair, Alibeth Vandergrift, Alecia Powell, Kirk DeMars, Melissa DeMars, Avery Powell, Holli Vallade

Pledge of Allegiance

The Board received an Educational Update from Symons Elementary School presented by Principal Jennifer Bookout, Jessica Stafford, Lisa Draheim, Allison Jordett, and Jennifer Smith,

Comments from the public were heard.

- Andrea Bennink requested that her comments be included in the minutes. She commented on the Symons presentation, the Board's decision making process, the meeting schedule, meeting minutes, recording of meetings, restored respect and trust, World Down Syndrome Day, and Rock Your Socks.
- Rachel Hobbs requested that her comments be included in the minutes. She commented on the Symons presentation, childrens' presentation, respect for speakers, valuing stakeholders, recent challenges, the Board Score Card, the previous High School presentation, learning loss, communication, and the meeting minutes.

Motion by Faro supported by Landingham to approve the minutes of the workshop meeting of February 23, 2022. Carried 5-1 No vote by Frait

- Board Member Frait requested that her comments be included in the minutes. She commented on the meeting minutes and separating the meeting minutes vote on the agenda.

Motion by Faro supported by Moccio to approve the minutes of the closed session of February 23, 2022. All Ayes. Carried 6-0

Motion by Faro supported by Heikka to approve the bills/reimbursement of expenses.

All Ayes. Carried 6-0

Motion by Frait supported by Heikka to make the following changes to upcoming Milan Area Schools Board of Education meeting dates:

- Move Wednesday, April 27, 2022 Workshop Meeting to Tuesday, April 26, 2022
- Move Wednesday, June 8, 2022 Budget Hearing to Tuesday, June 7, 2022
- Move Wednesday, June 8, 2022 Regular Meeting to Tuesday, June 7, 2022

Furthermore, to direct the Superintendent or designee to implement the necessary posting requirements regarding these changes. All Ayes. Carried 6-0

The Board held a discussion regarding Livestream Meetings.

Motion by Heikka supported by Faro to approve the resolution regarding an impending personnel investigation as included as Attachment A. All Ayes. Carried 6-0

Comments from the public were heard.

- Rachel Hobbs requested that her comments be included in the minutes. She commented on YouTube comments, the Attorney-General ADA Opinion, school safety, expenses and disbursements, February count day, and COVID-19 funds.
- Holli Vallade requested that ~~his~~ **her** comments be included in the minutes. She commented on YouTube comments.
- Andrea Bennink requested that ~~his~~ **her** comments be included in the minutes. She commented on public comment processes.
- Kirk DeMars requested that his comments be included in the minutes. He commented on the City DEI position, previous political comments, and masks.

Comments from the Superintendent were heard.

Comments from the Assistant Superintendent were heard.

Comments from Board Members were heard.

Time of Adjournment: 8:54 p.m.