

**MILAN AREA SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
WORKSHOP MEETING
WEDNESDAY, May 27, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Milan Area Schools Board of Education was called to order by President Vershum at 7:03 p.m. on May 27, 2020.

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

Board Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Bryan Girbach, Ryan McMahon, Krista Hendrix, Matt Bell, Jamie Jagodzinski, Pam Smaby, Jennifer Barker, Gina Matley, Liz Miller, Melissa Fiederlein, Courtney Jeffers, Jim Brousseau, Aaron Shin, Lisa Martin, McKenzie Chappell, Jill Gerweck, Holly Haines, Charlotte Buck-Jackson, Kim Rock, Nichole Kuenzel, Sarah Farmer, Anne Middleton, Debbie Nichols, Matt Gittleston, Kasey Straub, Sean DeSarbo, Jennifer Smith, Laura Perry, Miranda Laskowski

Guests Present: Debbie Allen, Eva Ruff

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion by Cislo supported by Moccio to appoint the following person to the teaching position listed and Base Salary listed effective for the 2020-2021 school year.

* Josephine Forbush – MHS Agriscience Teacher (\$40,000)

All Ayes. Carried 7-0

Motion by Cislo supported by Landingham to approve the storage/server infrastructure purchases as presented in Attachment B1. All Ayes. Carried 7-0

The Board heard the First Reading of the 2019-2020 General Fund Budget Amendment as in Attachments C1, C2, and C3

The Board heard the First Reading of the 2019-2020 Debt Funds Budget Amendment as in Attachment D

The Board heard the First Reading of the 2019-2020 Food Service Budget Amendment as in Attachment E

The Board heard the First Reading of the 2019-2020 Student/School Activities Budget Amendment as in Amendment F

The Board heard the First Reading of the 2020-2021 General Fund Preliminary Budget as in Attachments G1 and G2

The Board heard the First Reading of the 2020-2021 Debt Funds Preliminary Budget as in Attachment H

The Board heard the First Reading of the 2020-2021 Food Service Preliminary Budget as in Attachment I

The Board heard the First Reading of the 2020-2021 Student/School Activity Funds Preliminary Budget as in Attachment J

Motion by Heikka supported by Frait to adopt the resolution disapproving of the 2020-2021 WISD Budget as included in Attachment K4. All Ayes. Carried 7-0

Motion by Heikka supported by Moccio to approve the Resolution Urging School Funding Stabilization as included in Attachment L. All Ayes. Carried 7-0

Superintendent Bryan Girbach presented to the Board an update regarding the COVID-19 School Closure and Planning for the 2020-2021 School Year. Topics discussed included:

- Current Operations
 - Food Distribution Ends June 23
 - Learning Packet Distribution Ends June 9
- End of Year Planning
 - Graduation – Planning for July 12
 - Developing a Virtual Graduation Ceremony
 - MHS Honors Night – Virtual
 - Released Tonight at 6:30 PM on Facebook Live
 - Link on MHS Website After Live Streaming
 - Collection of District Owned Items
 - Distribution of Student Owned Items
 - Distribution of Caps/Gowns
- Summer Planning
 - Summer Cleaning is on Track to be Completed by June 30
- 2020-2021 School Year Planning
 - Return to School Taskforce being Developed
 - First Meeting on Monday June 8 at 3:00 PM
 - 2020-2021 Planning Guide - National Institute for Excellence in Teaching
 - In-Person
 - Virtual and In-Person
 - Virtual
 - Intermittent Virtual
 - Return to School Roadmap - Opportunities Lab
 - Individual Workgroups being Organized
 - Instructional Options Workgroup - Meeting this Week
 - Staffing
 - Holding Off on Any Position that can be Filled From Within or Delayed
 - Filling Accounts Payable Position (internal posting – backfill would be delayed)

Superintendent's Comments:

Communication

- The district currently has 1,011 Twitter followers. That is up 2 from the last meeting.
- The district currently has 2,102 Facebook followers. That is up 5 from the last meeting.

Budget

- Debt Millage tax rates for 2020-2021 will remain at 10.4 mills.
- The district has received numerous Unemployment Claims. Some are valid based on other employers of district employees (MAS currently has no one laid off). Some claims are fraudulent and the district is helping those employees address the fraudulent claims with the appropriate state offices and credit rating companies.

Board

- The date for Board Candidacy Applications is 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday July 21, 2020. The applications must be filed with the Washtenaw County Clerk/Election Coordinator. The district will have 3 Open Seats – Vershum, Heikka, and Cislo.

General

- The FFA Green house is now closed for the season.
- Summer camp at Paddock Elementary School has been cancelled.

Assistant Superintendent's Comments:

- Assistant Superintendent McMahon shared that the district's amended application for the Summer School Reading Grant was approved in the amount of \$7,525.

Public Comments: None

Board Member Comments:

- Board Member Cislo and Heikka participated in the Milan Chamber MICAN Live Coffee and Chat. Cislo thanked the Administrative team for providing some key speaking points. Board Member Cislo also thanked the MCIS teachers, Herb Morelock and Erin Keel, for putting together such a nice Class Night Ceremony for our Seniors.
- Board Member Heikka publically thanked the Milan Chamber for hosting the MICAN Live Coffee and Chat event. Board Member Heikka also thanked the audience members in attendance at the Workshop Zoom meeting.
- Board Member Moccio congratulated Board Members Cislo and Heikka for participating in the Coffee and Chat event.

Student Board Member Comments: None

Motion by Heikka supported by Cislo to enter into closed session as allowed by the Open Meetings Act for Negotiation Strategies. All Ayes. Carried 7-0

Time entered closed session 8:46 p.m.

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

Time of Adjournment: 10:10 p.m.