

**MILAN AREA SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, May 8, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Milan Area Schools Board of Education was called to order in the Milan Area Schools District Boardroom located at 100 Big Red Drive, Milan MI, 48160, by President Cislo at 7:00 p.m. on May 8 2024.

Board Members Present: Cislo, Heikka, Prior, Meray, Faro, Gutierrez

Board Members Absent: Rosen-Leacher

Signed in Staff: Bryan Girbach, Ryan McMahon, Krista Hendrix, Margaret Durkee, Dan Heikka

Signed in Guests: David Dugger

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion by Faro supported by Gutierrez to add agenda item VII. Other Old/New Business - A. Closed Session - Attorney Client Privilege. All Ayes. Carried 6-0

Motion by Heikka supported by Meray to thank the Educators of Milan Area Schools as recorded in Attachment A. All Ayes. Carried 6-0

Public Comments:

- David Dugger, WEOC Executive Director, praised Mr. Girbach for his educational leadership and thanked him for his service.

Motion by Prior supported by Gutierrez to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 24, 2024. All Ayes. Carried 6-0

Motion by Gutierrez supported by Meray to approve the minutes of the regular meeting closed session of April 24, 2024. All Ayes. Carried 6-0

Motion by Faro supported by Meray to approve the bills/reimbursement of expenses. All Ayes. Carried 6-0

Motion by Prior supported by Meray to approve Elise Hill as a District Social Worker and Katelin McLeod-Meneses as a District Psychologist effective for the 2024-2025 school year. All Ayes. Carried 6-0

Motion by Gutierrez supported by Heikka to approve the FCI Graduates (as listed in Attachment B) contingent upon their completion of all graduation requirements. All Ayes. Carried 6-0

The Board heard the first reading of the 2024-2025 WISD Budget Resolution as detailed in Attachments C1, C2, C3, and C4

Motion by Faro supported by Heikka to support the 2024 WISD Special Education Millage Renewal (as detailed in Attachment D). All Ayes. Carried 6-0

Public Comments: None

Student Board Representative Comments: None

Assistant Superintendent Comments were heard on the following topics:

- 35j Grant (Elementary Reading Initiative) Approved
- 97j Grant (Early Warning Tools) Approved
- Assessment Update (NWEA, M-STEP, SAT)

Superintendent Comments were heard on the following topics:

- Love of Music Concert
- Symons Open House for 2nd and 3rd Grade Families
- May 3rd Professional Development Day
- Staff Appreciation Week
- Sex Education Advisory Board Meeting Update

Board Member Comments:

- Cislo discussed Superintendent Evaluation training, the Board self-assessment, the WASB Breakfast, and moving the Big Red Board Chat to May 29, 2024 to accommodate the Adult Education graduation. He thanked Mr. Farro and Mrs. Prior for attending the GMACF breakfast and Ms. Gutierrez and Rosen-Leacher for serving on the Scholarship Committee. He also thanked the staff for all they do for our community. He also thanked Mr. Hendrix for her work on behalf of the District.
- Meray thanked the staff for all of their work and expressed excitement to serve the community with them. She wished Mr. Girbach a happy birthday. She also discussed the MI Future Fund managed by Washtenaw County and encouraged the community to participate. Thanked Mr. McMahon and staff for their service to the District. Thanked Ms. Prior for mentioning the FFA greenhouse.
- Faro announced that the Finance Committee will begin to discuss a Sinking Fund. Reminded the community of the Budget Hearing on June 5, 2024. He also thanked the staff for their service. He attended the GMACF Scholarship breakfast at which Milan students received their scholarship awards. He also wished Mr. Girbach a happy birthday.
- Prior reminded the community of the opening of the FFA greenhouse. She congratulated the Boys and Girls Track Teams on their recent success. She also echoed all of the comments thanking the staff for their service. She also wished Mr. Girbach a happy birthday.
- Gutierrez thanked Mr. Girbach for his service and discussed the success of the recent Open Houses and Parents Meetings related to the building moves. She mentioned that we should explore ways of communicating with new families moving into the District. She wished Mr. Girbach a happy birthday. She also thanked the staff and administration for their service to the District.
- Heikka wished Mr. Girbach a happy birthday. She encouraged the community to attend the Dance Xplosion recital May 17th through the 19th. She congratulated the Softball

Team on their recent success. She wished all of the AP students good luck on their upcoming AP exams.

Motion by Heikka supported by Faro to enter into closed session pursuant to Section 8(1)(h) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act for the purpose of the attorney client privileged communication. All Ayes. Carried 6-0

Time entered closed session: 8:11p.m.

Time returned to open session: 10:01p.m.

Time of Adjournment: 10:01p.m.