

**MILAN AREA SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
WORKSHOP MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, August 29, 2018**

The workshop meeting of the Milan Area Schools Board of Education was called to order by President Vershum at 7:00 p.m. on August 29, 2018.

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

**Board Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Bryan Girbach, Ryan McMahan

**Guests Present:** None

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Public Comments:** None

Motion by Kiger supported by Peacock to appoint the people listed to the teaching positions listed at the pay rates listed, effective for the 2018-2019 school year.

\* Cara Lawhead - MMS Teacher Consultant (\$48,000)

\* Steven Price – MMS Social Studies (\$36,500)

All Ayes. Carried 7-0

Motion by Moccio supported by Cislo to approve the Master Agreement with the Milan Area Schools Transportation Association as described in Attachment B. All Ayes. Carried 6-0 (Heikka abstention due to conflict of interest)

Motion by Cislo supported by Peacock to approve the Master Agreement with the Milan Area Schools Support Staff as described in Attachment C. All Ayes. Carried 6-0 (Heikka abstention due to conflict of interest)

Motion by Moccio supported by Peacock to approve the NEOLA policy updates as presented in Attachment D. All Ayes. Carried 7-0

The Board tabled their discussion regarding District/Superintendent Priorities to the next meeting.

The Board discussed their Third Thursday plans.

**Superintendent's Comments:**

**Students**

- Superintended Girbach congratulated all of the Milan fall athletes for great starts to their respective seasons. The teams have been working hard and are experiencing success!

- Milan Area Schools is ready to go! We look forward to having our students back in the buildings on Tuesday, September 4<sup>th</sup>.

### **Staff**

- Superintendent Girbach was excited to welcome the staff back for the 2018-2019 school year. Everyone is looking forward to another outstanding year in the district!
- Superintendent Girbach reported on the amazing staff professional development that took place this week. On Tuesday (8-28-18) teachers voluntarily participated in building specific professional development opportunities. On Wednesday (8-29-18) the district held the Opening Day professional development, as all staff returned for the new school year. Topics included: Milan21 focused on Critical Thinking, ALiCE safety training, Web Page design, and an update on District Priorities. On Thursday (8-30-18), the staff will participate in building led professional development (each agenda is specific to the building's initiatives). The district's paraprofessionals also attended a great professional development day on Tuesday (8-28-18). The topics included: CPI crisis training, ALiCE safety training, and other topics pertinent to working with disabled students.
- On Wednesday (8-22-18), the Administrative Team and several teachers, coaches, and reading interventionists attended an outstanding professional development **session that** featured the renowned John Hattie. The workshop focused on collective efficacy. What a wonderful opportunity for our staff!
- Superintendent Girbach thanked the Administrative Team for their dedication to planning and preparing for an outstanding school year.

### **General**

- On Monday (8-27-18), Principal Shinn, David Kaiser (Athletic Director), and Superintendent Girbach, attended a Huron League meeting that focused on good sportsmanship. The discussion included league expectations for athletes and fans.

### **Communication**

- The district currently has 717 Twitter followers. That is up 4 from last meeting.
- The district currently has 1,498 Facebook followers. That is up 4 from last meeting.

### **Assistant Superintendent's Report:**

- Assistant Superintendent McMahon shared a brief recap of the professional development opportunities for staff that occurred over the past few weeks. The staff has been working hard preparing for another great year at MAS and we are excited for the first day of school next Tuesday.

### **Board Member Comments:**

- Board Member Vershum announced that the Board would hold a meeting at the MASB Conference at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday (11-1-18). Vershum also reminder the Board members to get their MASB registration forms in to Anne Foor.
- Board Member Vershum gave kudos to the Administrative team for the tremendous amount of work that was accomplished over the summer.
- Board Member Moccio thanked current and former staff members for volunteering at Route 23 and the Dr. Seuss event which made it very successful. Moccio also stated that she attended a WISD planning meeting. She shared information about several school and Board related topics.

- Board Member Vershum reminded the Board of the Legislative Breakfast coming up on September 17<sup>th</sup> and 7:30 a.m. In addition, Vershum verified the Milan delegates for the MASB conference.

**Public Comments:** None

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

Time entered closed session: 7:44 p.m.

Motion by Moccio supported by Peacock to return to open session. All Ayes. Carried 7-0

Time returned to open session: 8:13 p.m.

**Time of Adjournment:** 8:13 p.m.