MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

MILAN COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION

FEBRUARY 12, 2024

REGULAR MEETING: ADMINISTRATION BUILDING @ 7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER:

Board Members in attendance were Gerald Gauck, Timothy Tuttle, Douglas Norman, Greg Lewis and Edward Amberger. Also attending was Superintendent Pat Murphy. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Gerald Gauck. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS

The Cross Country team was in attendance and recognized for an outstanding season. Elly Potts and Hannah Cooney advanced to regionals out of sectionals and ran a very difficult course and did really well. The boys team ran 14 races winning 13. In the ORVC Milan had a perfect score, a first for our school as well as a first for the conference, with runners competing in sectionals, regionals, semi-state and state levels. Team members in attendance included Nate Voss, Dylan Thomas, Tyler Myers, Ben Riehle, Gabe Riehle, Ayden Potts, Ethan DeHamer and Lucas Cooney.

Kayla Roell and Coach Adrian Wilburn were in attendance and recognized for recent accomplishments. Kayla was the first female wrestler from Milan to enter the Girls State Wrestling Championship. Kayla, currently a sophomore, has been wrestling since the age of 6. This season she won regionals, semi state and placed 4th in the state championship. Coach Wilburn was also recognized for his 200th win this season as Varsity Wrestling Coach. Mr. Murphy thanked him for everything he has done with the wrestling program.

Lisa Ludwig and Travis Rohrig provided board members with an update on the Literacy Cadre that was implemented this past school year through the IDOE. It is a 2 year program that allows for the school to employ a Literacy Coach, Lisa Ludwig. The IDOE provides coaching support for Mrs. Ludwig who then works with staff during PLC's. The main goal of the Cadre is for 95% of our students to achieve a passing score on the IREAD-3 by 2027 and continue to shift all of our teaching practices to the Science of Reading so that all students receive the best opportunity to learn. Mrs. Ludwig works closely with the state cadre to bring the Science of Reading and researched based practices to the classroom. She helps teachers in the classroom co-plan, co-teach and measure learning for students and teachers. The IDOE has also offered an optional training for elementary teachers in the Science of Reading with the majority of our staff taking advantage of this opportunity. Mr. Murphy and Board Members thanked Mr. Rohrig and Mrs. Ludwig for all their hard work and dedication knowing we are going to see some really positive results.

APPROVE AGENDA

The board approved the agenda with no changes.

Motion: Douglas Norman Second: Edward Amberger

Vote: 5-0

CONSENT AGENDA

• The board approved the minutes from the January 8, 2024 executive session, reorganization meeting, board of finance meeting and the regular meeting.

Motion: Timothy Tuttle Second: Edward Amberger

Vote: 5-0

The board approved the claims and financial report.

Motion: Douglas Norman Second: Greg Lewis

Vote: 5-0

ACTION ITEMS

A. PERSONNEL

• The board approved the following classified resignations and recommendations.

Classified Resignations

Emily Bruner - Resignation as ES Instructional Assistant Ashley Bauer - Resignation as IS Paraprofessional Karen Kohlbrandt - Resignation as Part time ES Cafeteria assistant

Motion: Edward Amberger

Second: Greg Lewis

Vote: 5-0

Classified Recommendations

Jackie Murray - ES Secretary/Treasurer rec. Travis Rohrig Carah Allen - IS SPED Paraprofessional rec. John Prifogle

Motion: Timothy Tuttle Second: Greg Lewis

Vote: 5-0

Extra-Curricular Resignation

Zach Wade - Boys Tennis Coach eff. Immediately

Motion: Greg Lewis

Second: Edward Amberger

Vote: 5-0

Extracurricular Recommendations

Recommendations for spring sports as listed in board members packets by Ms. Fidler.

Motion: Douglas Norman Second: Timothy Tuttle

Vote: 5-0

B. Contract for Special Education Services - Edward Amberger made a motion to approve a contract between the school and Mrs. Pam Minnich with Mr. Murphy's recommendation. The contract would be in effect for the remainder of the 2023-24 school year. Mrs. Minnich would assist staff in helping to ensure all required services, accommodations, reports and communication between the school and guardians are being met for students with IEPs. Seconded by Mr. Lewis. Motion carried 5-0.

C. CONFERENCE REQUESTS

The board approved the following conference requests:

A request for Dan Goris to attend the INSRO State Conference in June.

A request for Susie Fidler to attend the IIAAA State Conference in March.

Motion: Greg Lewis
Second: Timothy Tuttle

Vote: 5-0

D. FACILITY REQUESTS

The board approved the following facility requests:

A request for Milan Aquatics to use the pool for their summer swim program.

A request for Milan Summer Softball to use the elementary cafeteria for softball signups in February.

A request from Genesis: Pathways to Success to use the middle school gym for one of their summer camps in July.

Motion: Greg Lewis
Second: Douglas Norman

Vote: 5-0

E. FIELD TRIP REQUESTS

• The board approved the following field trip requests:

A request for the FFA to attend the National Farm Machinery Show in Louisville, KY in February

A request for the middle and high school high ability students to attend the IU Science Fest in April.

Motion: Greg Lewis Second: Timothy Tuttle

Vote: 5-0

DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

- Mr. Murphy congratulated Kayla and Coach Wilburn once again on their recent achievements.
- Last week was National School Counselor week. Thank you to all of our counselors for all they
 do for our students and staff. We have a strong group and they do a great job and appreciate all
 their efforts. February 15 is National SRO Day and thanked Dan Goris and Paul Newton for all
 they do in keeping our students and schools safe.
- Thanked Mr. Rohrig and Mrs. Ludwig for their presentation and noted they are doing a great job and looks forward to seeing the achievements as a district from their work.
- Congratulations to a few teachers that have already successfully completed the Science of Reading training offered by the IDOE for K-3 teachers. Jodi Cummings, Kris Clark and Emily Livorno have already received letters, certificates and stipends for their participation.

PRESIDENT'S PREROGATIVE - Board Comments

Mr. Amberger thanked everyone for coming and welcomed new staff members. He was glad to hear more about how cross country finished their season. He congratulated the wrestling team again. He also noted it was nice to hear about the Literacy Cadre and looks forward to hearing of the students' growth.

Mr. Lewis thanked everyone for coming. Always great to hear about the extracurriculars and their accomplishments. He noted it was great to hear of the efforts being put in for the reading program.

Mr. Norman thanked everyone for coming and welcomed new staff members. He congratulated cross country once again as well as Coach Wilburn and Kayla Roell.

Mr. Tuttle thanked everyone for coming. Thanked Mr. Rohrig and Mrs. Ludwig for the work they are putting into the Literacy Cadre and look forward to hearing more. He congratulated the cross country team as well as Kayla and Adrian once again.

Mr. Gauck thanked everyone for coming. He is happy and proud of all our educators here at Milan as well as the extra curricular activities. He noted it was great to read the article in The 812's first publication on our band program featuring students Molly Knecht and Alyssa Phelps.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM

Motion: Timothy Tuttle Second: Edward Amberger

Vote: 5-0

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Vice-President	Member	
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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2024

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The undersigned Board members me	et on this date to discuss personnel issues.	
President	Member	
Vice-President	Member	

Member