

MILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING – NOVEMBER 16, 2015
MILFORD ANNEX BUILDING

Board Members Present

Mrs. Wiley – President
Mr. Fry – Vice President
Mrs. Dennehy
Mr. H. Emory - Absent
Mr. P. Emory
Ms. Kirby
Mr. Rust
Mr. Schelhouse
Dr. Kohel, Exec. Secretary

Admin. Present

Mrs. Croce
Dr. Walmsley
Dr. Dickerson
Dr. Amory
Mrs. Manges
Dr. McDaniel
Mrs. McKenzie
Mrs. Wallace
Dr. Green
Mrs. Alfaro
Dr. Conaway

Public

K. Stahl
S. Whaley
J. Kalaygian
R. Winkleblech
D. Moore
S. Blevins
J. Bruns
E. Rust

Media:

Terry Rogers, Milford Live

The Regular Meeting of the Milford Board of Education was called to order by President Wiley at 5:35 p.m. on Monday evening, November 16, 2015, in the multimedia room at Milford Annex Building.

ROLL CALL

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING PERSONNEL AND LEGAL MATTERS.

During the course of this meeting, the Milford Board of Education may enter into Executive Session to consider student disciplinary cases, personnel matters, or strategy with respect to collective bargaining or pending or potential litigation, pursuant to 29 Delaware Code, Section 10004.

MOTION MADE BY MR. SCHELHOUSE/SECONDED BY MR. FRY to adjourn into Executive Session at 5:35 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION MADE BY MR. FRY/SECONDED BY MR. RUST to come out of Executive Session at 6:59 p.m.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION MADE BY MR. P. EMORY/SECONDED BY MRS. DENNEHY that the Board approve the following minutes of the previous meeting.

Regular Meeting October 31, 2015.

Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Susan Blevins spoke with regards to the temperature changes going from the High School to the outside modular. Her daughter has 2 classes she goes in and out of the building and finds the temperature change quite uncomfortable on days the weather is cool or rainy. She is in favor of the dress code—just would like for students to be able to wear sweatshirts or light weight jackets during the day. Mrs. Wiley thanked Mrs. Blevins for her comments.

CHANGES AND ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Superintendent Reports: 10 I. Dress Code and Personnel 11 A.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Thank you letter to Mrs. Manges and High School Special Education staff

Mrs. Manges received a letter from Waveline T. Starnes, CASA, thanking her and the High School Special Education staff for their quick response with facilitating testing and attending the hearing on a student to be accepted as developmentally disabled. This will have a huge impact on the student's future. Dr. Kohel praised Mrs. Manges and all the Special Education teachers in the district for going the extra mile for all the students. (See page 62 of minutes)

SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

Newsletters Presented for Information

Suicide Prevention Board Policy 5418

The State of Delaware is requiring all Districts to have a Suicide Prevention Policy. There was a first read of Suicide Prevention Board Policy 5418 it will be on the December Board Agenda for approval.

Board Policy 8501 Freedom of Information (Sunshine Law)

MOTION MADE BY MR. P. EMORY/SECONDED BY MR. SCHELHOUSE to amend Board Policy 8501 Freedom of Information (Sunshine Law). (See page 63 of minutes)

Motion carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL

Personnel Reports

Dr. Walmsley presented the following Personnel information.

RECOMMEND FOR EMPLOYMENT

SHORTS, Lamarr
Ross – One-on-One Paraeducator P/T (27.5 hrs)
Effective: November 12, 2015

RECOMMEND FOR EMPLOYMENT – TEMPORARY CONTRACT

KNOLLINGER, Bernard
Mispillion – ESL Teacher
Effective: November 2, 2015 and ending June 30, 2015
Bachelor's Degree: Wilmington University
Years of Experience: 0

STURGEON, Robyn
High School – Secondary Math Teacher
Effective: November 16, 2015
Bachelor's Degree: Salisbury State University
Master's Degree: Delaware State University
Years of Experience: 16

WALTON, Caitlin
High School – Agriculture Teacher
Effective: November 9, 2015 and ending June 30, 2015
Bachelor's Degree: University of Delaware
Years of Experience: 0

TRANSFER

BRUNS, Judith
Transfer from High School Agriculture Teacher to Central Academy Agriculture Teacher
Effective: November 9, 2015

RETIREMENT

POINSETT, Nancy
Central Academy – Art Teacher
Effective: June 30, 2016
Years of Service to MSD: 29

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RESCIND EMPLOYMENT – LIMITED CONTRACTS FOR PERSONAL SERVICES

High	Asst. Band Director	Nelson, Eugene (21B)
High	Advisor, HS-Student Council	Humes, Tanya
Ross	Instructional Coach, Grade 4	Heimbaugh, Denise

RECOMMEND EMPLOYMENT – PROFESSIONAL CONTRACT

Morris	Data Coach	Messick, Jodi
Ross	Instructional Coach, Grade 4	Peterman, Cynthia
High	Advisor, HS-Student Council	Humes, Tanya/Voshell, Ron
High	Wrestling Coach, Asst.	Pierson, Luke (21B)
High	Basketball Girls Coach, Asst.	McNulty, Sara/Barkley, Kevin (21B)
Central	Wrestling Coach, Head	Mills, Judson (21B)
Central	Basketball, Boys Coach, Asst.	Benson-Reid, Justin (21B)
Central	Basketball, Girls Coach, Asst.	Sudler, Marion (21B)

MOTION MADE BY MR. SCHELHOUSE/SECONDED BY MR. RUST to approve the Personnel Report.

Motion carried unanimously.

Administrative Contracts

This was not listed as an action item; therefore, could not be voted on.

Board Policy 4214 The Conduct of Termination Proceedings

This Board Policy was a first read and will be on the December Agenda for approval.

INSTRUCTION AND STUDENT PROGRAMS

Athletics

Mr. Winkleblech reported the football team finished 6-4; field hockey finished 9-5-1 and lost 3-2 in overtime to Wilmington Christian in the 1st round of the state tournament; soccer finished 8-7 and lost to Archmere 3-0 in the 1st round of the state tournament; volleyball finished 7-8; girls cross country finished 10-2; boys cross country finished 7-5; both cross country teams won the Henlopen Southern Division Championship. Tommy Jordan (senior) recently signed to play baseball at Delaware State University. A thank you to Beth Conaway and Morris Elementary for inviting the cheerleaders, drum line and athletes for a pep-rally on October 30th. It was a positive experience for all students involved. It was a great day to be a Buccaneer!!

DIAA is discussing some realignment proposals for athletics.

BUSINESS

Revenue and Expenditure Reports

MOTION MADE BY MRS. DENNEHY/SECONDED BY MR. FRY to approve the Revenue and Expenditure reports as of October 31, 2015. (See page 64 of minutes.)

Motion carried unanimously.

Class Size Waiver and 98% Building Entitlement Waiver

MOTION MADE BY MR. P. EMORY/SECONDED BY MRS. DENNEHY to approve the Class Size and 98% Building Entitlement Waiver.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Technology

Mr. Scott Whaley reported: "We have been continuing to work on upgrading to Internet Explorer 11 across the district. Currently, 600 out of 2900 devices have been upgraded successfully. There have been no major issues reported, only a few minor ones which have all

been resolved. Our goal is to be over 50% complete by the end of the month and 80% complete by the start of winter break. I think we are on track to reach those goals.

Since the Schoology pilot group has started using Schoology in their classroom, we have had some students with login issues. They are being fixed as they are reported and so far have all been configuration mistakes on our end. There has also been an issue with syncing gradebooks from Schoology to eSchool. I have not had a chance to look at the issue yet, but Sheri Firch has contacted Schoology for support. I will follow up with her to see where I need to help.

Each year, I am required to complete a technology survey for the Delaware Center for Education Technology (DCET). This year's report is due on November 20th. The survey includes total number of desktops, laptops, access points, projectors, printers, etc. for each school. I currently only have two schools left to complete the survey.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION MADE BY MR. P. EMORY/SECONDED BY MR. FRY that the Regular Meeting of the Milford Board of Education held on Monday, November 16, 2015, is adjourned at 7:48 PM.

Motion carried unanimously.

Phyllis Kohel, Executive Secretary

Edna Rust, Recording Secretary