

The Millville Area School Board held their regular meeting on Monday, August 9, 2021, in the high school library with participation via Facebook and Zoom. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The following Board members answered roll call: William Berger, Brynn Clark, Susan Farr, Michael Farrell, Greg Hemsarh, Heather Mausteller, Susan Myers, Deborah Price, and Jessica Whitmoyer.

Also present were Joseph Rasmus, Ed Sanders, Alicia Differ, Jim Hess, Noah Adams, Alexa Longacre, Brent Crispell, Whitney Holloway, and Kathy Musselman.

OPENING REMARKS BY BOARD PRESIDENT

As a result of numerous inquiries as to the Millville Area School District's stance on the teaching of Critical Race Theory, or CRT as it is generally referred to, I would offer the following statement to our parents, students, staff and others concerned:

The Millville Area School District Board of Education does not agree with CRT and does not and will not condone the instruction of CRT in the Millville Area Schools at any grade level. I would also like to add, that the Board is unaware of a teacher having or planning to have any such lessons in their curriculum.

We would encourage anyone with questions or concerns regarding this matter to reach out to the Administration or Board at any time.

GUEST RECOGNITION AND COMMENTS

Robin Andrews: As of yet, the elementary students are unable to be vaccinated. Concerned about the new Delta variant and outbreaks. Would like to see face coverings worn by all in the schools.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

2021-22 Phased School Reopening Plan

- Our 2021-22 Millville Area School District Phased School Reopening Plan was approved at the July 26, 2021 meeting. On July 27, 2021, the CDC issued new guidance recommending those not vaccinated wear masks. This is a recommendation and not a mandate. As of now, Millville Area School District will monitor very closely, but mask wearing will be individual choosing.

Learning Loss Schedule

- The 2021-22 school schedule will focus close attention to learning loss and social and emotional blueprints supported by PDE. Implementing Pennsylvania's Multi-Tiered System of Support a standards-aligned, comprehensive school improvement framework for enhancing academic, behavioral, and social-emotional outcomes for all students. Teams represented at the district, school, grade, and individual levels use a problem-solving process to integrate evidence-based academic, behavioral, and social-emotional practices matched to student needs. Support and services exists at all Tiers by high-quality learning, cultural responsivity, partnership and involvement with families, and decision-making that rests on the use of reliable and valid data sources. Transformational change is the goal of a Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS).
- Differentiated Literacy K-6: Time in the schedule to offset learning loss with small group reading and Quaker Time.
- Title I Subsidy: Allotment for two Reading Interventionists.
- iReady: A performance data diagnostic platform for K-12 math and reading, assessing deficits and targeting attention to needs.
- Extended Learning: Student assessments for learning loss within the first 10 days of school. Those students with an assessment below grade level will be afforded the opportunity to extend their school day by two hours.

BUSINESS MANAGERS REPORT

Mrs. Holloway submitted a written report with verbal highlights.

APPROVE JULY 26 2021 BOARD MINUTES

A motion by Greg Hemsarh and seconded by Brynn Clark that the Millville Area School Board approve the July 26, 2021 board meeting minutes. The motion carried by voice vote. 9 Yea; 0 Nay; 0 Absent

EXPENDITURE APPROVAL

A motion by Heather Mausteller and seconded by Brynn Clark that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve July 26, 2021 expenditures in the amount of \$165,726.86; July 30, 2021 expenditures in the amount of \$199,865.32; August 9, 2021 expenditures in the amount of \$56,468.59; and August 9, 2021 cafeteria expenditures in the amount of \$25,964.08 The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

REVISED 2021-2022 MASD PHASED SCHOOL REOPENING HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN

A motion by Brynn Clark and seconded by Greg Hemsarh that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve revisions to the 2021-2022 MASD Phased School Reopening Health and Safety Plan. The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

2021-2022 STUDENT HANDBOOK

A motion by Michael Farrell and seconded by William Berger that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve the 2021-2022 MASD Elementary and Jr/Sr High Student Handbook. The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

2021-2022 SECONDARY FACULTY HANDBOOK

A motion by Brynn Clark and seconded by Greg Hemsarh that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve the 2021-2022 Secondary Faculty Handbook. The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

CMSU BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

A motion by Susan Farr and seconded by Heather Mausteller that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve the Letter of Agreement with CMSU Behavioral Health Services to provide mental health and drug and alcohol services, if needed. The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

CTE STUDENT ENROLLMENT

A motion by Heather Mausteller and seconded by Brynn Clark that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve the following student's enrollment within the CTE programs at Benton Area School District for the 2021-22 school year at the tuition rate of \$15,498.85. Conner Kapp (Grade 10) Agricultural Production Operations (CIP 1.0301). The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

A motion by William Berger and seconded by Michael Farrell that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the Millville Area Education Association and the Millville Area School District to allow professional employees who volunteer to participate in professional development on August 25, 2021 to be compensated at their contractual rate for up to five hours for beginning of school year preparation undertaken prior to August 23, 2021 or be afforded with a flexible assignment on a forthcoming Act 80 Day in the 2021-22 school year, effective immediately through the end of the 2021-2022 school year. The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

CURRICULUM ASSOCIATES: TEACHER TOOLBOX

A motion by Brynn Clark and seconded by Susan Farr that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve the acquisition of iReady "Teacher Toolbox" and professional development from Curriculum Associates for the 2021-2022 school year at the cost of \$8,780. The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

BLUE QUAKE CLUB SOCCER USE

A motion by William Berger and seconded by Jessica Whitmoyer that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve use of restroom facilities and fields by Blue Quake Club Soccer Team every other Sunday afternoon from August 29th through October 31st, eliminating the \$25 fee since the boys were not charged during the spring. The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

ELEMENTARY EMOTIONAL SUPPORT TEACHER

A motion by Jessica Whitmoyer and seconded by Brynn Clark that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve employment of Maggie Cooney, as Elementary Emotional Support Teacher, Bachelors Step-1, to begin the 2021-2022 school year. The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

7-12 GENERAL SCIENCE TEACHER

A motion by Susan Myers and seconded by Heather Mausteller that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve employment of Kandyss Sutphen, as 7-12 General Science Teacher, Bachelors Step-8, to begin the 2021-2022 school year. The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

MENTOR TEACHERS

A motion by Michael Farrell and seconded by Susan Farr that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve Laura Koons as teacher mentor to new teacher Maggie Cooney and Sherry Kakaley and Mary Schrader as teacher co-mentors to new teacher Kandyss Sutphen, for the 2021-2022 school year. The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

DEDICATED DAILY SUBSTITUTE: MASD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

A motion by Susan Myers and seconded by Heather Mausteller that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve Megan Titter, as Dedicated Daily Substitute for the MASD Elementary School for the 2021-2022 school year. The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

REMOVE/REINSTATE FROM FURLOUGH

A motion by Susan Farr and seconded by Susan Myers that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve removing Rodney Fry, Elementary Teacher, from furlough and reinstating employment with Millville Area School District. The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

CSIU GUEST TEACHER SUBSTITUTE

A motion by Heather Mausteller and seconded by Susan Myers that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve David Gronsky, as a CSIU guest teacher substitute. The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

DISTRICT TENURE

A motion by Brynn Clark and seconded by Susan Myers that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve granting tenure to Amber Uranko, starting the 2021-2022 school year. The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

STIPEND

A motion by Susan Myers and seconded by Susan Farr that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve a stipend in the amount of \$1,000 for Joseph R. Rasmus, per agreement and contractual terms. The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

MILLVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Millville Area School Board Meeting Minutes

August 9, 2021

SOFTBALL AND JH BASKETBALL COACH

A motion by Michael Farrell and seconded by Brynn Clark that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve Nicole Whitenight, as a volunteer coach for Jr. High Girls Basketball, Jr. High and Varsity Softball, for the 2021-2022 athletic season. The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

BOYS SOCCER ASSISTANT COACH

A motion by Heather Mausteller and seconded by Greg Hemsarh that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve Joshua Kraintz, as Varsity Boys Soccer Assistant Coach, for the 2021-2022 athletic season. The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

ADJOURNMENT

A motion by Heather Mausteller and seconded by Greg Hemsarh to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Kathy Musselman
Assistant Board Secretary