

The Millville Area School Board held their regular meeting on Monday, February 28, 2022, in the high school library. Prior to the start of the meeting, Pastor Ryan with Millville Christian Church, offered devotion and prayer. 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, Heather Mausteller, Susan Myers, and Jessica Whitmoyer. Absent: Greg Hemsarth and Deborah Price.

Also present were Joseph Rasmus, Ed Sanders, Dee Davis, Alicia Differ, Jim Hess, Noah Adams, Brian Albertson, Brent Crispell, Whitney Holloway, and Kathy Musselman.

GUEST RECOGNITION AND COMMENTS

Christopher Traugh asked if the district supported Critical Race Theory. Opined some of the educational staff had a specific opinion or agenda.

Mrs. Myers stated we are not promoting Critical Race Theory.

Mr. Rasmus stated a few months back Mrs. Myers read a statement at a board meeting that we do not support Critical Race Theory.

At the last meeting, he himself stated we are a district of diversity and welcome all backgrounds, cultures, and ethnicity; we celebrate all. February is Black History Month and lessons were communicated regarding black individuals and what they have brought to society, however, we are not teaching Critical Race Theory.

ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

Mr. Sanders, Ms. Differ, Mr. Hess, and Mrs. Davis provided reports with verbal highlights. Mr. Crispell provided a verbal report stating he is meeting with a person tomorrow concerning the Multi-stack. He also stated with only one greenhouse bid he reached out to the contractor that renovated the restrooms to see if he would be interested in providing a bid. At least get an idea of the market to see where our first bidder falls in line with market pricing.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

ARP ESSER Stakeholders Report

ARP ESSER Stakeholder Engagement Meeting – February 24, 2022

What is ARP ESSER?

ARP ESSER: American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief.

*It is an unprecedented \$1.9 trillion package of assistance measures, including \$122 billion for the ARP Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ARP ESSER) Fund.

*Funds are provided to State educational agencies and school districts to help safely reopen and sustain the safe operation of schools and address the impact of the coronavirus pandemic.

*The MASD is eligible to receive \$1,294,119 in federal ARP ESSER subsidy.

ARP ESSER is the third round of federal subsidy made available to local education agencies.

ARP ESSER Timelines

*ARP ESSER funding may be utilized for allowable costs dating back to March 13, 2020, when the national emergency was declared.

*Funding is available for obligation from March 13, 2020 to September 30, 2024, and all contract end dates under ARP ESSER must not extend beyond September 30, 2024.

*As per Act 24, school districts can utilize ARP ESSER funding to subsidize operational and programming costs in order to address the challenges and impacts resulting from the COVID 19 pandemic.

20% Reserve to Address the Academic Impact of Lost Instructional Time

*The ARP Act requires recipient school districts to use an amount totaling not less than 20% of the LEA's total allocation of ARP ESSER funds to address the academic impact of lost instructional time through the implementation of evidence-based interventions, such as summer learning or summer enrichment, extended day, comprehensive afterschool programs, or extended school year programs; and ensure that such interventions respond to students academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs and address the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on underrepresented student subgroups.

MASD: Strategic Planning for use of ARP ESSER Funds

*MASD utilized a process similar to comprehensive planning and school improvement planning.

*Since the onset of the pandemic, the MASD leadership team has continually assessed and monitored the operational and programmatic needs of schools, students, and personnel.

*The district leadership team has identified the instructional, curricular, and supportive programming and resources necessary to address student-learning loss, social-emotional wellness, maintaining the health and welfare needs of all stakeholders, and ensuring consistent and safe in-person learning.

MASD Allocation of ESSER Funds

Learning Loss (\$462,750)

*MIFIs ATT/Verizon

*Faculty/Staff PC Laptops/PC Adapters/Dongles

*iPads Replacement

*Extended Learning Day Program (ELDP)

*ELDP Transportation

*Summer Learning Program

*Summer Learning Program Transportation

MASD Allocation of Esser Funds

Enhanced Cleaning and Sanitization (\$99,123)

*Sunday Cleaning and Sanitization

*Custodial Salaries and Benefits

MASD Allocation of Esser Funds

Social and Emotional Wellness (\$200,000)

*CMSU Mental Health Counselor: Salary and Benefits

*Integration of Elementary STEM and NGSS K-6 (\$41,143)

*Implementation and maintenance of FOSS Inquiry-based Science Kits K-6

MASD Allocation of Esser Funds

Curriculum and Instructional Resources (\$131,948)

*SmartFutures – Career Readiness

*FOUNDATIONS – Multisensory Explicit Phonics Program

*iReady Diagnostic Assessment – K-12 ELA/Math Adaptive Diagnostic System, iReady Teacher Toolbox/iReady Tools for Instruction – Curricula for Quaker Time and ELDP

*Acadience – Universal screening assessment, identifies needs and monitors progress with regards to MTSS/RTI interventions

*Sadlier Oxford Vocabulary, Brain Pop, Biology AP Textbooks, Algebra I Textbooks, Pre-Calculus Textbooks, Sight Words/Alphabet Sounds, Alphalab, Renaissance

MASD Allocation of ESSER Funds

PPE and COVID Mitigation and Intervention (\$38,424)

- *PPE Items: Masks, Face Shields, Hand Sanitizer, and Alcohol Wipes
- *Water Filling Stations Rental for 21-22 and Permanent Installation 22-23
- *Polycarbonate Desk Guards and Clips
- *Partition Plus Online Wall Hung Urinal Screens

MASD Allocation of Esser Funds

Operational Expenses (\$320,731)

- *Salaries and Benefits: Maintaining High Quality Instructional Personnel

2021-2022 MASD Health and Safety Plan Updates

Mr. Rasmus noted proposed changes to the MASD Health and Safety Plan. After approval, the plan will be posted to the district website. Proposed changes include:

- Masking will no longer be required on district transportation.
- No longer using directional stairways.

Professional Development Updates and Curricular Priorities

Our existing elementary math series "Go Math" is going to sunset. Currently exploring vendors and series to obtain new materials.

February 22, 2022 Elementary Act 80 Day – Mathematics Curricula/Textbook K-6 Series: Curriculum Associates – iReady Classroom

Grade-level teams generated three lists:

- 1) List of prioritized/preferred attributes in Math Textbook/Curricula Series. "What characteristics, resources, elements should the new series possess?"
- 2) List of non-preferred attributes in Math Textbook/Curricula Series. "What characteristics, resources, elements should the new series NOT possess?"
- 3) Questions for Curriculum Associates Representative regarding digital and textual teacher and student resources.

HMH will present a math series before our upcoming Curricular Committee meeting on March 31, 2022.

REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

CSIU Representative, Deborah Price provided written reports.

CMVT Representative, William Berger stated two meetings were held in February.

Mr. Berger stated at the February 15th meeting it was announced bidding will occur in June, no issues with the audit other than notation of segregation of duties since Tony is the only financial person, and ESSER funding was discussed.

The second meeting was a Zoom meeting to discuss the possibility of forming a track and field club with thirty students having interest.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Financial reports along with Student Union reports were submitted.

APPROVE FEBRUARY 14, 2022 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

A motion by Jessica Whitmoyer and seconded by Susan Farr that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve the February 14, 2022 board meeting minutes.

The motion carried by voice vote. 7 Yea; 0 Nay; 2 Absent

EXPENDITURE APPROVAL

A motion by Brynn Clark and seconded by Heather Mausteller that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve February 28, 2022 general expenditures in the amount of \$185,223.65; athletic expenditures in the amount of \$138; and cafeteria expenditures in the amount of \$3,718.84.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 Yes; 0 No; 2 Absent

BOOSTER CLUB FUNDRAISER

A motion by William Berger and seconded by Jessica Whitmoyer that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve untabling the motion to allow a booster club gun raffle fundraiser to be held off campus.

The motion to untable carried by roll call vote. 7 Yes; 0 No; 2 Absent

A motion by Brynn Clark and seconded by Michael Farrell that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve a booster club gun raffle fundraiser to be held off campus.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 5 Yes; 2 No (Susan Farr and Heather Mausteller); 2 Absent

REPURCHASE TIME DEPOSIT #XX22

A motion by Brynn Clark and seconded by Jessica Whitmoyer that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve Millville Area School District's repurchase of time deposit #xxx22 at the rate of 0.50% for 6 months, with First Columbia Bank and Trust.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 Yes; 0 No; 2 Absent

CSIU 2022-2023 PRELIMINARY GENERAL OPERATING BUDGET

A motion by Heather Mausteller and seconded by Susan Farr that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve the CSIU 2022-2023 Preliminary General Operating Budget.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 Yes; 0 No; 2 Absent

2021-2022 MASD SCHOOL CALENDAR REVISIONS

A motion by Heather Mausteller and seconded by Brynn Clark that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve the following revisions to the MASD 2021-2022 school calendar: April 14, 2022 (Previously denoted as a Snow Makeup Day) will become a K-12 instructional day in lieu of district closure on February 25, 2022.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 Yes; 0 No; 2 Absent

2022-2023 MASD SCHOOL CALENDAR

A motion by William Berger and seconded by Susan Farr that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve the 2022-2023 MASD school calendar.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 Yes; 0 No; 2 Absent

FEASIBILITY STUDY OF MASD DISTRICT OFFICE

A motion by Heather Mausteller and seconded by William Berger that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve Strosser/Baer Architects, LLC to undertake a feasibility study of the Millville School District Office to identify options to create a fully compliant ADA unisex restroom for a fee of \$3,700.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 Yes; 0 No; 2 Absent

2021-2022 MASD HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN REVISIONS

A motion by Heather Mausteller and seconded by Susan Farr that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve revisions to the 2021-2022 MASD Health and Safety Plan consistent with administrative recommendations.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 Yes; 0 No; 2 Absent

CSIU 2022-2023 DRIVER EDUCATION INSTRUCTION AND END COURSE SKILL TEST MOU

A motion by William Berger and seconded by Michael Farrell that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve the 2022-2023 MOU between the CSIU and Millville Area School District for the CSIU to conduct the behind-the-wheel instruction and administer the End of Course Skills Test to students within the Millville School District.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 Yes; 0 No; 2 Absent

SECONDARY FIELD TRIPS

A motion by Jessica Whitmoyer and seconded by Michael Farrell that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve a field trip to Montour Preserve, May 10, 2022, for 7th and 8th grade students wishing to participate in Middle School Envirothon.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 Yes; 0 No; 2 Absent

DISABLED VETERAN TAX EXEMPTION

A motion by Brynn Clark and seconded by William Berger that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve exemption of real estate property taxes for disabled veteran, Charles S. Fisher.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 Yes; 0 No; 2 Absent

DONATION ACCEPTANCE

A motion by Brynn Clark and seconded by Michael Farrell that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve with gratitude a monetary donation in the amount of \$25 from community member, Craig Omlor, for the FFA program.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 Yes; 0 No; 2 Absent

TEEN STAR AUDITIONS

A motion by Jessica Whitmoyer and seconded by Michael Farrell that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve use of the high school auditorium and music practice rooms April 21, 2022 from 3:20-8:00 p.m. and April 23, 2022 from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. for First Columbia Teen Star Auditions.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 Yes; 0 No; 2 Absent

BLUE QUAKE GIRLS SOCCER

A motion by Jessica Whitmoyer and seconded by Brynn Clark that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve Blue Quake Millville Girls Soccer using the elementary school cafeteria Saturdays through April from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 Yes; 0 No; 2 Absent

SCHOOL EMPLOYEE TRANSPORTATION DRIVER

A motion by Heather Mausteller and seconded by Susan Farr that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve Chelsea Rosenberger as a school employee transportation driver of school vehicles, retroactive to February 24, 2022.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 Yes; 0 No; 2 Absent

RESIGNATION - CRISPELL

A motion by Susan Myers and seconded by Heather Mausteller that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve accepting the notice of resignation, with gratitude and regret, from Brent Crispell, effective March 11, 2022.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 Yes; 0 No; 2 Absent

MILLVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Millville Area School Board Meeting Minutes

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CLOSING STATEMENT

Mr. Rasmus thanked Mr. Crispell for his dedicated service to the Millville Area School District.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion by Heather Mausteller and seconded by Susan Farr to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Kathy Musselman
Assistant Board Secretary