

MILLVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Millville Area School Board Meeting Minutes

August 11, 2014

The Millville Area School Board held the regular meeting on Monday, August 11, 2014, in the Millville High School Library. President Frank Suchwala called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

The following Board members answered roll call: Larry Breech, Chris Farr, Gregory Gordner, Dean Kelchner, Heather Mausteller, Susan Myers and Frank Suchwala. Absent: William Berger and Cheryl Kessler

Also present were Cynthia Jenkins, Superintendent; David Bowser, Business Manager; Eric Stair, Secondary Principal; Edward Sanders, Elementary Principal; Dee Davis, Supervisor of Special Education; Ron Zimmerman, Buildings and Grounds; and Kathy Musselman.

Seventeen guests signed the register.

GUEST RECOGNITION AND COMMENTS:

Nick Kindt spoke on behalf of continuing sports programs during a strike.

Kara Shultz spoke in favor of settling the strike before school starts.

Jeff Bower spoke in favor of continuing sports programs during a strike.

BOARD DISCUSSION:

Penn College NOW

Cindy Jenkins stated we would be offering classes through Penn College NOW again this year. We have two staff members on site that had training and will be teaching those classes.

Penn State Media Center Visit

Larry Breech stated he would like to see our librarians visit the Penn State Media Center. Libraries are moving into digital education, opening the doors for virtual field trips, webinars, and classroom involvement with students in other states. He feels it is time to take leadership and move forward, stating we have already received recognition for advancement. Karen Sullivan, high school librarian, stated she would be in favor of the Penn State visit.

PSBA Conference

After discussing the PSBA Conference, it was decided to send Larry Breech, as the voting delegate, to the October PSBA Conference, in Hershey.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

July 28, 2014 Curriculum Committee

Cindy Jenkins provided a verbal report and minutes of the July 28, 2014 Curriculum Committee meeting.

APPROVE BOARD MINUTES:

A motion by Susan Myers and seconded by Chris Farr that the Millville Area School Board approve the July 28, 2014 Board meeting minutes. The motion carried by voice vote. 7 YEA; 0 NAY; 2 ABSENT

2014-2015 Coaches Manual:

A motion by Heather Mausteller and seconded by Gregory Gordner that the Millville Area School Board approve the 2014-2015 Coaches' Manual. The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 YES; 0 NO; 2 ABSENT

PERFORMANCE AUDIT REPORT:

A motion by Susan Myers and seconded by Chris Farr that the Millville Area School Board accept the Performance Audit Report from the Department of the Auditor General for the period of June 24, 2011 through February 11, 2014. The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 YES; 0 NO; 2 ABSENT

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OPEN RECORDS OFFICER/RIGHT TO KNOW:

A motion by Heather Mausteller and seconded by Chris Farr that the Millville Area School Board appoint Cynthia Jenkins, as the Millville Area School District Open Records Officer for Right to Know requests. The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 YES; 0 NO; 2 ABSENT

RESIGNATION - WELSH:

A motion by Frank Suchwala and seconded by Dean Kelchner that the Millville Area School Board accept the letter of resignation from Connie Welsh, effective July 28, 2014. The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 YES; 0 NO; 2 ABSENT

RESIGNATION - DRECKMAN:

A motion by Frank Suchwala and seconded by Heather Mausteller that the Millville Area School Board accept the letter of resignation from Tia Dreckman, effective immediately. The motion carried by roll call vote. 6 YES; 1 NO (Larry Breech); 2 ABSENT

HIRE ELEMENTARY GUIDANCE COUNSELOR:

A motion by Larry Breech and seconded by Frank Suchwala that the Millville Area School Board approve hiring Tarah Kishbach, as Elementary Guidance Counselor, beginning the 2014-2015 school year, at Step M-1. The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 YES; 0 NO; 2 ABSENT

HIRE PARAPROFESSIONAL:

A motion by Heather Mausteller and seconded by Dean Kelchner that the Millville Area School Board approve hiring Melanie Zearfoss, as a paraprofessional, at the hourly rate of \$9.25, beginning the 2014-2015 school year. The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 YES; 0 NO; 2 ABSENT

HIRE PARAPROFESSIONAL:

A motion by Dean Kelchner and seconded by Gregory Gordner that the Millville Area School Board approve hiring Lauren Strauch, as a paraprofessional, at the hourly rate of \$9.25, beginning the 2014-2015 school year. The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 YES; 0 NO; 2 ABSENT

HIRE LIBRARY MEDIA SPECIALIST:

A motion by Gregory Gordner and seconded by Frank Suchwala that the Millville Area School Board approve hiring Andrea Marquardt, as Elementary Library Media Specialist, beginning the 2014-2015 school year, at Step B-1. The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 YES; 0 NO; 2 ABSENT

HIRE ESL TEACHER:

A motion by Frank Suchwala and seconded by Chris Farr that the Millville Area School Board approve hiring Nevin Stone Iliev, as ESL Teacher, beginning the 2014-2015 school year, at M30 Step 4. The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 YES; 0 NO; 2 ABSENT

HIRE MATH/PHYSICS TEACHER:

A motion by Chris Farr and seconded by Heather Mausteller that the Millville Area School Board approve hiring Jared Ryan Petchel, as a Math/Physics Teacher, beginning the 2014-2015 school year, at Step B- 1. The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 YES; 0 NO; 2 ABSENT

SHORT-TERM SAME ASSIGNMENT SUBSTITUTE:

A motion by Larry Breech and seconded by Frank Suchwala that the Millville Area School Board approve hiring Amanda Yaple, as a full day short-term same assignment substitute, at \$90 per day, beginning the 2014-2015 school year until October 31, 2014, for study skills and other assignments. The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 YES; 0 NO; 2 ABSENT

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MENTORS:

A motion by Frank Suchwala and seconded by Chris Farr that the Millville Area School Board approve the following mentors: Rachel Verstraten mentor to Brian Zysett, Gwen Utt and Diann Vera (shared) mentor to Christy Passaretti, Charlene Ledger mentor to Miranda Sorber, Laura Koons mentor to Nevin Iliez, Karen Sullivan mentor to Andreas Marquardt, Ashley Hennig mentor to Jared Petchel, Chandra Johnson mentor to Tarah Kishbach. The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 YES; 0 NO; 2 ABSENT

GAME STAFF:

A motion by Frank Suchwala and seconded by Gregory Gordner that the Millville Area School Board approve Kayleen Faatz, as game staff for the 2014-2015 athletic season. The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 YES; 0 NO; 2 ABSENT

JR HIGH GIRLS BASKETBALL COACH:

A motion by Heather Mausteller and seconded by Gregory Gordner that the Millville Area School Board approve Miranda Sorber, as girls' jr. high basketball coach, for the 2014-2015 season, at the coaching pay schedule rate. The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 YES; 0 NO; 2 ABSENT

ASSISTANT SOFTBALL COACH:

A motion by Larry Breech and seconded by Heather Mausteller that the Millville Area School Board approve Miranda Sorber, as assistant softball coach, for the 2014-2015 season, at the coaching pay schedule rate. The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 YES; 0 NO; 2 ABSENT

VOLUNTEER SOFTBALL COACH:

A motion by Heather Mausteller and seconded by Chris Farr that the Millville Area School Board approve Samantha Cook, as a volunteer softball coach, for the 2014-2015 season. The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 YES; 0 NO; 2 ABSENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Frank Suchwala requested an executive session after adjournment to discuss personnel and negotiations.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion by Frank Suchwala and seconded by Susan Myers to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

David B. Bowser

Board Secretary