

MILLVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Millville Area School Board Meeting Minutes

October 27, 2014

The Millville Area School Board held the regular meeting on Monday, October 27, 2014, in the Millville High School Library. Prior to the start of the meeting Pastor Bob Strozyk offered prayer and devotion. President Frank Suchwala called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

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

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

Six guests signed the register.

GUEST RECOGNITION AND COMMENTS:

No guests requested to speak.

BOARD DISCUSSION:

A Columbia-Montour Vocational Technical School Representative is needed, as Cheryl Kessler will be stepping down at the end of her term ending in November. A motion by Frank Suchwala and seconded by Dean Kelchner to appoint Larry Breech as representative and Gregory Gordner as alternate representative, effective December 1, 2014. The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 YES; 0 NO; 2 ABSENT

REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS:

Susan Myers, CMVT Representative, stated a principal has been hired, searches are continuing for a Director, and the admissions policy is being reviewed again.

Larry Breech, CSIU Representative, stated transition preparation is taking place for three retiring management level employees.

ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS:

Mr. Sanders, Mr. Stair, and Mrs. Davis provided verbal and written reports, Mr. Faust and Mr. Zimmerman submitted written reports, and Mrs. Jenkins gave a verbal report. Mrs. Jenkins reiterated some of Mr. Sanders' and Mr. Stair's highlights, is sending notes of thanks to students for accomplishments, is meeting with administrators to assess curriculum and technology needs, and will be meeting to access faculty and staff technology needs.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Mr. Bowser recapped reports of the Treasurer, General Fund, Elementary and High School Student Union Activity Funds, as submitted and part of the minutes.

APPROVE BOARD MINUTES:

A motion by Susan Myers and seconded by Gregory Gordner that the Millville Area School Board approve the October 13, 2014 Board meeting minutes. The motion carried by voice vote. 7 YEA; 0 NAY; 2 ABSENT

EXPENDITURES:

A motion by Dean Kelchner and seconded by Heather Mausteller that the Millville Area School Board approve September 2014 manual checks in the amount of \$816,315.52 and October 27, 2014 General Fund checks in the amount of \$293,682.98. The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 YES; 0 NO; 2 ABSENT

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2014-2015 TRANSPORTATION CONTRACTS:

A motion by Susan Myers and seconded by Cheryl Kessler that the Millville Area School Board approve the 2014-2015 transportation contracts with contractors, Sharon Kitka, Bob Brewington, Glen Rhinard, and bus drivers, as submitted. David Bowser stated the Board had the option to request transportation be opened for bid. After discussion, this was not a favorable option since the contractors are paid based on state formula, we are pleased with the service and flexibility provided by the existing contractors, and there was no desire to entertain paying drivers below formula with the potential problems associated with cost cutting and turnover. The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 YES; 0 NO; 2 ABSENT

ELEMENTARY FIELD TRIPS:

A motion by Dean Kelchner and seconded by Larry Breech that the Millville Area School Board approve elementary field trips: Kindergarten to Reptiland; first grade to Montour Preserve; second grade to Shriner's Circus, Pioneer Tunnel and Coal Mine, and the Red Deer Farm; third grade to Penn's Cave; fourth grade to the Capitol, Camp Victory, Friends Meeting House, Girton Manufacturing, and the Millville Water Treatment Plant; fifth grade to Lake Tobias, sixth grade to DaVinci Science Center. After discussion, the motion carried by roll call vote. 7 YES; 0 NO; 2 ABSENT

2014-2015 EXTRA-CURRICULAR/ADVISOR POSITIONS:

A motion by Heather Mausteller and seconded by Gregory Gordner that the Millville Area School Board approve the submitted 2014-2015 Extra-Curricular/Advisor Positions. The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 YES; 0 NO; 2 ABSENT

PARAPROFESSIONAL SUBSTITUTE:

A motion by Dean Kelchner and seconded by Cheryl Kessler that the Millville Area School Board approve Kayleen Faatz, as a paraprofessional substitute, pending clearances. The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 YES; 0 NO; 2 ABSENT

GAME STAFF:

A motion by Frank Suchwala and seconded by Cheryl Kessler that the Millville Area School Board approve Jessica Sikalias, as game staff, for the 2014-2015 school year. 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 a student issue.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion by Frank Suchwala and seconded by Susan Myers to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

David B. Bowser

Board Secretary