

MILLVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Meeting Minutes

October 28, 2013

The Millville Area School Board held the regular meeting on Monday, October 28, 2013, in the Millville High School Library. Pastor Paul Converse offered devotion and prayer. 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: William Berger, Larry Breech, Erin Comly, Chris Farr, Dean Kelchner, Cheryl Kessler, Heather Mausteller, Susan Myers and Frank Suchwala.

Also present were Kathleen Stark, Superintendent; David Bowser, Business Manager; Eric Stair, Secondary Principal; John Fetterman, Elementary Principal; Ron Zimmerman, Buildings and Grounds Supervisor; Dee Davis, Supervisor of Special Education; Warren Faust, Technology Coordinator; and Kathy Musselman.

Eighteen guests signed the register.

GUEST RECOGNITION AND COMMENTS:

Wayne Wright was recognized and presented a wall clock for his many years of service as Board treasurer, from 1960 through 2013.

William Forsythe spoke on the programs offered at Columbia-Montour Vocational Technical School. He has been meeting with businesses and manufactures to make sure students are ready for the workforce coming out of school, updating adult education programs, working on expansion and facility updates, and keeping up with the state standards.

Colleen Eves expressed concerns relating to district management practices and the process when employees leave the district.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Frank Suchwala requested an executive session to discuss negotiations. A motion by Cheryl Kessler and seconded by Heather Mausteller to move to executive session at 7:32 p.m. A motion by Heather Mausteller and seconded by Dean Kelchner to resume the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS:

Mr. Fetterman, Mr. Stair, Mrs. Davis, Mr. Faust, Mr. Zimmerman and Dr. Stark provided a verbal and written report as part of the minutes.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Mr. Bowser recapped the Treasurer's Report, General Fund Account, Elementary and High School Student Union Activity Fund, as submitted and part of the minutes.

APPROVE BOARD MINUTES:

A motion by Susan Myers and seconded by Cheryl Kessler that the Millville Area School Board approve the October 14, 2013 Board meeting minutes. The motion carried by voice vote. 9 YEA; 0 NAY; 0 ABSENT

EXPENDITURES:

A motion by Dean Kelchner and seconded by Heather Mausteller that the Millville Area School Board approve September 2013 General Fund manual checks in the amount of \$706,762.84 and October 28, 2013 General Fund expenditures in the amount of \$312,188.52. The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 YES; 0 NO; 0 ABSENT

RAY AND ASSOCIATES:

A motion by Susan Myers and seconded by Larry Breech that the Millville Area School Board approve the firm of Ray and Associates to conduct the search for the position of Superintendent. The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 YES; 2 NO (William Berger and Chris Farr); 0 ABSENT

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MAESP AGREEMENT:

A motion by Dean Kelchner and seconded by Erin Comly that the Millville Area School Board ratify the collective bargaining agreement with the Millville Area Educational Support Personnel (MAESP) for the period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2016. The motion carried by roll call vote. 7 YES; 1 NO (Frank Suchwala); 1 ABSTENTION (William Berger); 0 ABSENT

FIELD TRIP:

A motion by Erin Comly and seconded by Heather Mausteller that the Millville Area School Board approve a field trip on November 5, 2013, to Milton High School Career Day, for students to explore career options. The motion carried by voice vote. 9 YEA; 0 NAY; 0 ABSENT

BOARD TREASURER:

A motion by Susan Myers and seconded by Heather Mausteller that the Millville Area School Board appoint Dean Kelchner as Board treasurer through June 30, 2014, non-compensated. The motion carried by voice vote. 8 YEA; 0 NAY; 1 ABSTENTION (Dean Kelchner); 0 ABSENT

RESIGNATION:

A motion by Larry Breech and seconded by Heather Mausteller that the Millville Area School Board accept the letter of resignation from John Fetterman. The motion carried by voice vote. 9 YEA; 0 NAY; 0 ABSENT

CAFETERIA STAFF:

A motion by Cheryl Kessler and seconded by Susan Myers that the Millville Area School Board approve hiring Mary Wilce as cafeteria staff for 3.5 hours per day at \$8 per hour. The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 YES; 0 NO; 0 ABSENT

HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION:

A motion by Heather Mausteller and seconded by Frank Suchwala that the Millville Area School Board approve Brittany Fisher as homebound instructor at the contract rate of \$25 per hour. The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 YES; 0 NO; 0 ABSENT

PAY INCREASE:

A motion by Erin Comly and seconded by Cheryl Kessler that the Millville Area School Board approve a rate of pay increase of \$1.60 per hour, when applicable, for Jennifer Glidewell, effective immediately, when serving as a medical aide substitute. The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 YES; 0 NO; 0 ABSENT

PROFESSIONAL SUBSTITUTE:

A motion by Dean Kelchner and seconded by Larry Breech that the Millville Area School Board approve adding Christy Passaretti to the professional substitute list, at the professional substitute rate of \$80 per day. The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 YES; 0 NO; 0 ABSENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

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

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion by Cheryl Kessler and seconded by Heather Mausteller to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

David B. Bowser
Board Secretary