

MILLER PLACE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
MILLER PLACE, NEW YORK
BOARD MINUTES
OCTOBER 27, 2021

Kind of Meeting: Business Meeting
Place of Meeting: Miller Place High School
Time: 8:00 P.M.

Those Present:

Board President:	Mrs. Johanna Testa
Board Vice President:	Mrs. Lisa Reitan
Board Trustee:	Mr. Bryan Makarius
Board Trustee:	Mr. Richard Panico
Superintendent of Schools:	Dr. Marianne Cartisano
Deputy Superintendent:	Mr. Seth Lipshie
Assistant Superintendent:	Ms. Susan Craddock
District Clerk:	Mrs. Patricia Morbillo

Those Absent:

Board Trustee:	Mr. Keith Frank
School Business Official:	Mrs. Colleen Card
Executive Director for Educational Services:	Mrs. Sandra Wojnowski

PLEASE NOTE: THE MINUTES, AS WRITTEN, ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND ARE NOT CONSIDERED AN OFFICIAL RECORD UNTIL THEY HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AT THE NOVEMBER 17, 2021, BUSINESS MEETING.

Mrs. Testa called the meeting to order at 8:00 P.M. Mrs. Testa acknowledged the veterans that were in the audience.

I. SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

Dr. Cartisano reviewed that over the past several weeks our students have had the opportunity to return to more traditional events than they experienced last school year including the start of High School and Middle School clubs have begun, 7th and 8th graders participated in their first dance of the school year, students at North Country Road Middle School were inducted into the National Junior Honor Society last week which was an in-person ceremony for students and parents, the district celebrated spirit week and homecoming events, and this upcoming week Andrew Muller students are pre-gaming Halloween with additional dress up days and Friday students will be celebrating the unofficial spooky holiday by wearing safe and appropriate costumes. Within the next several weeks we are looking forward to the Middle School Red Ribbon Week, and High School Induction ceremonies for National Honor Society Induction, Foreign Language National Honor Society and Tri-M Honor Society.

Dr. Cartisano stated that the High School guidance department is providing support to our junior and seniors regarding post high school planning, via the college application process, and financial aid parent presentations. At Andrew Muller Primary School, North Country Road Middle School and Miller Place High School student picture days have been completed and Laddie A. Decker Sound Beach School pictures days are next week. Our administrative staff have approved field trips and assemblies on a case-by-case basis in support of our instructional programs, as well as youth mental health. The parent meeting to discuss the North Country Road Middle School 8th grade trip to Washington in May 2022 is being scheduled for early November.

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Dr. Cartisano shared outstanding news about our Athletic Department which has five teams participating in post-season play including Girls' Soccer, Football, Cross Country, Golf, Field Hockey. In addition to these team accomplishments, Mr. Petrie has advised Dr. Cartisano that 12 athletes have committed to continue their athletic careers at Division 1 and 2 schools.

Dr. Cartisano extended the District's thanks to our school community for supporting the proposed bond issue presented to them last week with an 80% approval rate.

II. BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS MESSAGE

Mrs. Testa welcomed the attendees to the Business Meeting. She let them know that masks were required to be worn in the school buildings so if anyone was not wearing a mask, she asked that they put one on or the remainder of the meeting would be business only with no opportunity for recognition, public be heard or presentations. Everyone in the audience was either wearing a mask or put a mask on to comply with the request and the meeting continued as scheduled.

Mrs. Testa stated that Homecoming was a wonderful and happy event for all the students and their families. Mrs. Testa thanked the community for their support of the bond issue.

III. RECOGNITION – None

IV. PUBLIC BE HEARD

(Comments are limited to 2 minutes per person and a total of 30 minutes **related to agenda items only**, state name, resident, or non-resident)

Mrs. Testa addressed the audience in preparation for moving into the public comment period of our meeting. She asked that questions and comments be directed to the Board. Accordingly, please do not expect the board to respond to your concerns and questions tonight. She stated that the Board takes your concerns and questions seriously and that they want to have sufficient time to process and research issues, if need be.

No one from the audience had any questions or comments related to the Consent Agenda being presented at this meeting.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

A. MINUTES:

This resolution is to approve the meeting minutes of the Board of Education.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby accepts, as written, the minutes of the September 26, 2021 Executive Session; September 28, 2021 Executive Session; September 29, 2021 Business Meeting, October 19, 2021 Business Meeting.”

B. FINANCE/FACILITIES:

1. Treasurer Reports:

Enclosed are the Treasurer Reports as submitted by Mr. Donald Pearce for the period ending September 30, 2021.

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RECOMMENDED MOTION: “BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby accepts as presented the Treasurer Reports for the period ending September 30, 2021.”

2. Financial Reports:

Enclosed are the Financial Reports as submitted by Mrs. Darlene Levi for the period ending September 30, 2021.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby accepts as presented the Financial Reports, for the period ending September 30, 2021.”

3. Extraclassroom Activity Reports:

Enclosed are the Extraclassroom Activity Reports as submitted by Mrs. Carrie Sandt for the period ending September 30, 2021.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby accepts as presented the Extraclassroom Activity Fund Reports for the period ending September 30, 2021.”

4. Claims Auditor Report:

Enclosed is the Claims Auditor Report as submitted by MacDonald & Rand LLP - Certified Public Accountants for the period ending September 30, 2021.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby accepts as presented the Claims Auditor Report for the period ending September 30, 2021.”

5. Town of Brookhaven – Waiver for Homecoming Parade:

Dr. Cartisano and Mrs. Card are requesting your approval of the waiver/liability release and hold harmless agreement with the Town of Brookhaven for the homecoming parade on October 23, 2021.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby retroactively approves the waiver/liability release and hold harmless agreement with the Town of Brookhaven for the homecoming parade on October 23, 2021 and furthermore retroactively authorizes the Board President to sign such waiver.”

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6. **Obsolete Assets:**

Dr. Cartisano and Mrs. Card are requesting your approval of the following resolution to declare the attached District owned asset list as obsolete and its possible sale, and/or disposal.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby approves the District owned assets on the attached list as obsolete and its possible sale, and/or disposal.”

7. **Bond Vote Workers:**

Dr. Cartisano and Mrs. Card recommends and requests your approval of the following additional list of Vote Workers for the Miller Place Union Free School Bond Vote on Tuesday, October 19, 2021.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby approves the following additional list of Vote Workers: Margaret Larom and Richard Larom.”

8. **Agreement – Concord Theatricals:**

Dr. Cartisano and Mrs. Card are requesting your approval of the following contract with Concord Theatricals for the Miller Place High School Drama Club production.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby approves the contract with Concord Theatricals for the Miller Place High School Drama Club production and furthermore authorizes the President of the Board of Education to sign such agreement.”

9. **Eastern Suffolk BOCES Summer Transportation Contract 2021-22:**

Dr. Cartisano and Mrs. Card are requesting your approval of the following resolution to approve the field trip transportation contract for 2021-22 with Eastern Suffolk BOCES.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby authorizes the field trip transportation contract for 2021-22 with Eastern Suffolk BOCES and furthermore authorizes the President of the Board of Education and Superintendent of Schools to sign such agreement.”

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C. PERSONNEL:

1. Personnel List:

Dr. Cartisano and Mr. Lipshie recommend and request your approval of the attached personnel list of October 27, 2021.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby approves the attached Personnel List of October 27, 2021, as presented. For any probationary appointment for a class room teacher or building principal that except to the extent required by the applicable provisions of the Education Law, in order to be granted tenure the class room teacher or building principal shall have received composite or overall APPR ratings pursuant to Education Law §§3012-c and/or 3012-d of either E or H in at least three of the four preceding years and if the class room teacher or building principal receives an I composite or overall rating in the final year of the probationary period he or she shall not be eligible for tenure at this time.”

D. SPECIAL EDUCATION RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. CSE and CPSE Recommendations:

Dr. Cartisano and Mrs. Wojnowski are requesting your approval of the following CSE and CPSE recommendations.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby accepts the following recommendations of the CSE’s and CPSE’s dated: CPSE 10-1-21 AMPS; CPSE 10-7-21 AMPS; CSE 9-9-21 MPHS; CSE 9-13-21 MPHS; CSE 9-14-21 NCR; CSE 9-15-21 LADSBS; CSE 9-17-21 LADSBS; CSE 9-20-21 DO; CSE 9-21-21 MPHS; CSE 9-23-21 MPHS; CSE 9-29-21 NCR; CSE 10-1-21 LADSBS; CSE 10-4-21 DO; CSE 10-4-21 NCR; CSE 10-18-21 LADSBS; SUMMER CPSE-CSE 8-24-21 DO; SUMMER CSE 8-12-21 DO; SUMMER 8-23-21 DO.”

2. Agreement – Little Flower:

Dr. Cartisano and Mrs. Wojnowski are requesting your approval of the following Special Education Instructional Services Contract with Little Flower Union Free School District for student identification numbers 600042321 for the period July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District authorizes the contract with Little Flower Union Free School District for student identification numbers 600042321 for the period July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022, and furthermore authorizes the President of the Miller Place Union Free School District Board of Education to sign such agreement.”

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E. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION:

1. Undue Burden Independent Evaluator Hardship Waiver Application:

Dr. Cartisano and Ms. Craddock recommend and request your approval of the Ratification of Undue Burden Independent Evaluator Hardship Waiver Application.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby approves the submission of an Undue Burden Independent Evaluator Hardship Waiver Application to the State Education Department.”

F. OTHER – NONE

Mrs. Testa asked for a motion to accept the Consent Agenda as presented.

Mr. Panico moved, seconded by Mr. Makarius to accept the Consent Agenda as presented.

Yes 4; No 0; Motion Carried

VI. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

A. MPHS Executive Council Student Representative Comments

The new Board Student Representative, Scott Bisiani, gave his first report on the happenings at the High School. He stated that school spirit is high, and it feels good for school to be getting back to normal. He stated that Spirit Week and Homecoming were a huge success, and it was great seeing all the classes' floats, decorated hallways, and lots of smiles. The students are looking forward to safe Halloween and the Blood Drive. They are working on other events like the student/faculty Dodge ball game coming back. Scott stated that he is looking forward to the school flourishing in the 2021-2022 school year.

VII. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – NONE

VIII. DISCUSSION – NONE

IX. BOARD POLICIES

A. First Time Reading:

- 1120 -- School District Records
- 1120.F -- School District Records Public Access Application
- 2161 -- News Media Relations
- 3200 -- Safety Policy
- 3400 -- Meals and Refreshments
- 3400.R -- Meals and Refreshments Regulation
- 3410 -- Mobile Devices
- 3410.F -- Mobile Devices Form
- 3410.R -- Mobile Devices Regulation
- 3420 -- Use of Credit Cards
- 3420.F -- Credit Cards Form
- 3420.R -- Use of Credit Cards Regulation
- 5280.3 -- Transportation to and from School Events
- 6200 -- Revenues

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6210 -- School Tax Assessment and Collection
6211 -- Property Tax Exemption for Senior Citizens
6230 -- Maintenance of Fiscal Effort - TITLE I Programs
6245 -- Capitalization
6252 -- Gate Receipts and Admissions
6300 -- Borrowing of Funds
6310 -- Accounting of Funds
6315 -- Fund Balance
6320 -- Expenditures of School District Funds
6640 -- Inventories
6670 -- Petty Cash Funds and Cash in School Buildings
6670.R -- Petty Cash Funds and Cash in School Buildings Regulation
6900 -- Disposal of District Property
7100 -- Facilities Planning
7500 -- Naming Facilities
7500.R -- Naming Facilities Regulation
8100 -- Safety Program
8110 -- Buildings & Grounds Inspection
8111 -- Reporting of Hazards
8120.2 -- Safe Use of Hazardous Materials
8134 -- Emergency Closings
8135 -- Safe Schools
8212 -- Vandalism
8420 -- Bomb Threats

B. Review: None

C. Action: None

X. OTHER – None

XI. PUBLIC BE HEARD

No one from the audience had any questions or comments at this time.

XII. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Mrs. Testa asked for a motion to adjourn meeting.

Mr. Panico moved, seconded by Mr. Makarius to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 P.M.

Yes 4; No 0; Motion Carried

Respectively submitted by: Patricia A. Morbillo, District Clerk