

MILLER PLACE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
MILLER PLACE, NEW YORK
BOARD MINUTES
AUGUST 2, 2023

Kind of Meeting: Business Meeting
Place of Meeting: District Office
Time of Meeting: 7:30 P.M.

Those Present:

Board President: Ms. Lisa Reitan
Board Vice President: Mr. Bryan Makarius
Board Trustee: Mr. John Galligan
Board Trustee: Ms. Andrea Spaniolas
Board Trustee: Ms. Johanna Testa
Superintendent of Schools: Mr. Seth A. Lipshie
School Business Official: Ms. Colleen V. Card (Arrived at 7:49 P.M.)
Executive Director for Educational Services: Ms. Sandra Wojnowski (Left at 7:39 P.M. Returned at 7:49 P.M.)
Director Human Resources: Mr. Christopher Herrschaft (Left at 7:39 P.M. Returned at 7:49 P.M.)

Those Absent:

Assistant Superintendent: Ms. Susan G. Craddock

Invitees:

District Architect Mr. Michael Guido (Arrived at 7:49 P.M. Left at 9:30 P.M.)

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A. PUBLIC SESSION

1. Ms. Reitan called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m. and reviewed the emergency procedures.

B. APPOINTMENT OF CLERK PRO TEMP

Ms. Reitan noted that the District Clerk was not present at the meeting and a motion would be necessary to appoint a Clerk Pro Tem.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby appoints Ms. Wojnowski Clerk Pro Tem for the Board of Education August 2, 2023 meeting.”

Ms. Reitan asked for a motion to appoint Ms. Wojnowski as Clerk Pro Tem.

Mr. Galligan moved, seconded by Mr. Makarius, to appoint Ms. Wojnowski as Clerk Pro Tem.

Yes 5; No 0; Motion Carried

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C. MOVEMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Reitan asked for a motion to move into Executive Session for matters concerning specific personnel.

Mr. Makarius moved, seconded by Ms. Spaniolas, to approve moving into Executive Session for specific personnel.

Yes 5; No 0; Motion Carried

The Board exited Executive Session and reconvened the Business Meeting at 7:49 P.M.

D. AGENDA

1. Appointment of Special Counsel

Mr. Lipshie recommends and requests your approval of the appointment of a special counsel.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby appoints the Law Office of Joady Benjamin Feiner to serve as special counsel for the Miller Place Union Free School District in connection with an investigation into certain allegations against a District employee discussed in executive session, at the agreed upon rate of \$245.00 per hour.

Ms. Reitan asked for a motion to appoint special counsel.

Ms. Spaniolas moved, seconded by Mr. Makarius to approve the resolution to appoint special counsel.

Yes 5; No 0; Motion Carried

2. Personnel List:

Mr. Lipshie and Mr. Herrschaft recommend and request your approval of the attached personnel list of August 2, 2023.

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 August 2, 2023, as presented. For any probationary appointment for a classroom 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 classroom 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 classroom 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.”

Ms. Reitan asked for a motion to accept the personnel list as presented.

Mr. Galligan moved, seconded by Ms. Spaniolas to accept the personnel list as presented.

Yes 5; No 0; Motion Carried

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3. **Stipulation of Settlement and Release with The Miller Place UFSD Teachers Association – Teacher Overages:**

Mr. Lipshie and Mr. Herrschaft are requesting your approval of the Stipulation of Settlement and Release with The Miller Place UFSD Teachers’ Association regarding Teacher Overages.

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 Stipulation of Settlement and Release with The Miller Place UFSD Teachers’ Association regarding Teacher Overages and furthermore authorizes the President of the Board of Education and the Superintendent of Schools to sign such agreement.”

Ms. Reitan asked for a motion to accept the Stipulation of Settlement and Release with The Miller Place UFSD Teachers Association – Teacher Overages resolution.

Mr. Galligan moved, seconded by Ms. Spaniolas to accept the Stipulation of Settlement and Release with The Miller Place UFSD Teachers Association – Teacher Overages resolution.

Yes 5; No 0; Motion Carried

4. **Bid Award – Bond 2021 Work:**

Mr. Lipshie and Ms. Card recommend and request your approval of the bid recommendation of Michael J. Guido, District Architect.

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 awards the bid for the AMPS Gymnasium Project – Bond Work 2021, for the listed contracts to the lowest responsible bidder meeting the bid as follows:

<u>Contract No.</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
• Contract #12	General Construction	Renu Contracting and Restoration, Inc.	\$3,927,000
• Contract #13	Mechanical	Central Air Corporation	\$329,000
• Contract #14	Plumbing	Hirsch & Co, LLC	\$113,000
• Contract #15	Electrical	Relle Electric Corp.	\$288,562

AND FUTHERMORE authorizes the President of the Miller Place Union Free School District Board of Education to sign such agreements.”

Ms. Reitan asked for a motion to accept the Bid Award – Bond 2021 Work resolution.

Mr. Galligan moved, seconded by Ms. Spaniolas, to accept the Bid Award – Bond 2021 Work resolution.

Yes 5; No 0; Motion Carried

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E. BOARD POLICIES – Review

- 1800 Donations, Gifts, and Grants to the District
- 7500 Naming Facilities

The board discussed the policies in review at this meeting. These policies will move into action at the next board meeting.

F. MOVEMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Reitan asked for a motion to go into Executive Session for matters concerning specific legal and specific personnel.

Mr. Galligan moved, seconded by Mr. Makarius, to go into Executive Session for matters concerning specific legal and specific personnel at 8:12 P.M.

Yes 5; No 0; Motion Carried

The Board exited Executive Session and reconvened the Business Meeting at 9:58 P.M.

G. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Reitan asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. Makarius moved, seconded by Mr. Galligan, to adjourn the meeting at 9:59 P.M.

Yes 5; No 0; Motion Carried

Respectively submitted by Ms. Sandra Wojnowski, Clerk Pro Tem