

MILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
DECEMBER 16, 2024

| Board Members in Attendance                      |  |
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| Mr. Matt Bucher, Vice President                  | Mrs. Jennifer Massotti                 |
| Dr. Adam Brownstein                              | Mrs. Jean Wylie                        |
| Mrs. Ashlee Connell                              | Dr. Bridget Amory, Executive Secretary |
| Mr. Victor "Butch" Elzey (Departed Mtg. 8:11 pm) |  |

The Regular Meeting of the Milford Board of Education was called to order by Vice President Bucher at 6:00 PM on Monday evening, December 16, 2024.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION MADE BY MRS. CONNELL/SECONDED BY MRS. MASSOTTI** to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes for November 18, 2024, with corrections. **Motion passed unanimously.**

**ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**MOTION MADE BY MRS. CONNELL/SECONDED BY MRS. WYLIE** to adjourn into Executive Session at 6:02 PM. **Motion passed unanimously.**

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

**MOTION MADE BY MR. ELZEY/SECONDED BY MRS. CONNELL** to adjourn Executive Session at 7:14 PM.

**CHANGES TO AGENDA**

Remove 11B Construction Change Order Approval

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. French expressed his concern with the elementary grading system based upon behaviors.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

***Milford Central Academy***

Dr. Amory thanked staff for hosting the board meeting.

***Community Partner: Hertrich***

Hertrich Cash for Class Winners were announced by Ms. Meredith Shockley from Hertrich.

***Cash for Class Winners:***

|  |      |   |         |
|--|------|---|---------|
| Diana Dill                                 | MIS  | Just Right Flexible Seating                     | \$1,000 |
| Tenesha Duffy                              | Ross | School Store                                    | \$1,000 |
| Louise Holleger & Sherrie Bontrager-Thomas | MCA  | Peanut Butter & Jelly Community Service Project | \$1,000 |
| Daniel Huffman                             | BAN  | Sofa Tables                                     | \$1,000 |
| Christina McConnell                        | Ross | We Need Seats                                   | \$1,000 |
| Stephany Vecchiolli                        | Ross | Non-Fiction Books for Early Learner             | \$1,000 |

***Academic Excellence: Dr. Carvajal-Hageman, Dr. Kilgore, Ms. Stump***

***2025 Career and Technical Education Innovation Grant: Culinary and Hospitality Management***

MHS was awarded a grant of \$20,000 to support the structure and changes to the new pathway program Culinary and Hospitality Management.

***Student Growth Reports – Dr. Kilgore***

Dr. Kilgore explained that the K-5 growth reports align the State of Delaware approved Common Core Standards in English Language Arts, Mathematics, DE Social Studies Standards and Next Generation Science Standards. The purpose of the standards-based student growth reports is to communicate a learner's proficiency level as they progress toward meeting the defined learning standards.

***Student Climate & Safety Update – Dr. Weller***

Dr. Weller shared safety and climate highlights and discipline data.

***Building Our Future: Dr. Hale***

***Revenue, Expenditure and Major Capital Reports***

**MOTION MADE BY MRS. CONNELL/SECONDED BY MRS. MASSOTTI** to approve the Revenue, Expenditure and Major Capital Reports as of November 30, 2024. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Milford School District was awarded a \$65,000 grant to purchase a weapons detection system at Milford High School. The remaining funds will be allocated towards updating the audio system at Milford High School.

***Empowering and Investing in our People: Ms. Manges***

***Personnel Report***

**MOTION MADE BY MRS. MASSOTTI/SECONDED BY MRS. CONNELL** to accept the Personnel Report as presented during the Executive Session. **Motion passed unanimously.**

***Administrator Contracts***

**MOTION MADE BY MRS. CONNELL/SECONDED BY MRS. MASSOTTI** to approve Administrator Contracts as presented during the Executive Session. **Motion passed unanimously.**

**BOARD DISCUSSION**

**DSBA UPDATES**

None.

**RECOMMENDED REVISED DRAFT BOARD POLICIES FOR ACTION**

***Revised Board Policy 5111 Suicide Prevention***

**MOTION MADE BY MRS. MASSOTTI/SECONDED BY MRS. WYLIE** to approve revised Board Policy 5111 Suicide Prevention. **Motion passed unanimously.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION MADE BY MRS. CONNELL/SECONDED BY MRS. MASSOTTI** that the Regular Meeting of the Milford Board of Education held on Monday, December 16, 2024, adjourned @ 8:46 PM. **Motion passed unanimously.**

**PERSONNEL REPORT – *Action Item***

**RECOMMEND FOR EMPLOYMENT – ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRACT\***

PEET, Thomas

Central – Assistant Principal

Contract 18 months ending June 30, 2026 with an effective date of January 13, 2025

**RECOMMEND FOR EMPLOYMENT – PERMANENT CONTRACT\***

LONG, Jessica

District – Psychologist (Virtual)

Effective: January 6, 2025

**RECOMMEND FOR EMPLOYMENT – TEMPORARY CONTRACT\***

BUTZ-MILLER, Melissa

Central – Special Education Teacher

Effective: TBD

MARQUEZ COLON, Wilmary

Banneker – Elementary Teacher

Effective: January 6, 2025

LEYANNA, Candice

Banneker – Multi-Lingual Learner Teacher

Effective: TBD

SHOCKLEY, Myrna

Ross – Elementary Teacher

Effective: December 9, 2024

**RECOMMEND FOR EMPLOYMENT\***

ALVARADO, Deyssi

Banneker – Secretary

Effective: January 6, 2025

KILLEN, Katie

High – Senior Secretary

Effective: January 6, 2025

ALLEN, Pierre

Central – Night Custodian

Effective: January 13, 2025

HURST, Donna

Morris – Full-Time Educational Support Paraprofessional

Effective: January 6, 2025

**TRANSFER**

BRATTEN, Courtney

From Mispillion 5.0-hour Child Nutrition Worker to Mispillion 6.5-hour Child Nutrition Lead Worker

Effective: January 6, 2025

LEGG, Gavin

From Morris Full-Time Educational Support Paraprofessional to Ross Full-Time Character Educational Paraprofessional

Effective: January 6, 2025

RETIRE

LINGO, Carolyn

Morris – Kindergarten Teacher

Effective: July 1, 2025

Service to MSD: 36 years

RESIGNATION

PURNELL, Kelly

Mispillion – School Counselor

Effective: January 5, 2025

Service to MSD: 1 year

ESKAROS, Remonda

Banneker – Multi-Lingual Language Teacher

Effective: January 2, 2025

Service to MSD: 2 years

JAY, Alba

District – Secretary

Effective: January 10, 2025

Service to MSD: 1 year

RECOMMEND FOR EMPLOYMENT – 2024 – 2025 LIMITED CONTRACTS

|      |                                    |                            |
|------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| High | Advisor, Sophomore Class           | REED, Mackenzie            |
| High | Athletic Event Coordinator, Winter | MCKENZIE, Dallas           |
| High | Golf, Head Coach                   | KENDZIERSKI JR, Keith (NE) |
| High | Boys Lacrosse, Head Coach          | FAULKNER, Blake (NE)       |
| High | Softball, Head Coach               | BARKLEY, DeLeon (NE)       |

RECOMMEND VOLUNTEERS

|      |                  |                        |
|------|------------------|------------------------|
| High | Girls Basketball | GREGORY, Marcus (NE)   |
| High | Wrestling        | LITTLETON, Herman (NE) |

\*Employment at Milford School District is contingent upon employment verification, education and other credential verifications, the receipt of satisfactory criminal background and child protection registry checks, and adherence to Milford School District policies.