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MINUTES OF THE MILLVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD MEETING

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2026

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The Millville Area School Board held their regular business meeting on Monday, February 23, 2026 in the Millville Jr./Sr. High School Library beginning 7:07 pm. Prior to the meeting, the Board held an Executive Session for personnel and legal matters.

### **1. ROLL CALL**

The following Board members answered roll call: Alex Cavallini, Matthew Deihl, Michael Farrell, Greg Hemsarth, Gena Maize, Heather Mausteller, Jonathan Richards, Corey Whitmoyer, and Jessica Whitmoyer.

Also present were Joseph Rasmus, Superintendent of Schools; Matthew Mills, Secondary Principal; Brandon Gordner, Elementary Principal; Danielle Fritz, Director of Student Services; James Meadows, Director of Interventional Supports; Dyson Savage, Director of Technology; Matthew McWilliams, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds; and Chelsea Rosenberger, Board Recording Secretary.

### **2. GUEST RECOGNITION AND COMMENTS**

- Guests Brit Rider, Christopher Sassaman, Brandi Roberts, Betsy Riera-Gomez, Wendy Faatz, and Klohe Faatz all signed the register but did not request to speak.

### **3. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

#### Health Services & Staffing

- Dr. Rasmus began his report by sharing that two substitute nurses were interviewed and expected to be strong additions to the district's health services team. Due to current coverage needs, he shared that the district is collaborating with Benton Area School District to provide health room assistant services on an as-needed basis at a daily rate, ensuring continuity of care when nursing coverage is limited. He thanked Benton for their willingness to support us in this way.
- He shared that the Board was considering the appointment of a new school social worker that evening. An interim social worker will continue serving students until the newly hired candidate begins later this year.

#### Legislative & Compliance Updates (Act 47/Cyber Charter)

- Then, Dr. Rasmus explained that there have been recent updates to state law that now require cyber charter families to verify residency twice annually (November 1 and March 1), which will help ensure accurate enrollment and funding. He further explained that the law also prevents habitually truant students from transferring to cyber charter schools during the school year, helping maintain accountability and continuity of education.

### Curriculum & Professional Development

- Dr. Rasmus shared that he and Mrs. Fritz recently attended a regional curriculum and special education leadership conference at Penn State, focusing on new state legislation and policy changes; potential cell phone policy updates; expansion of cursive writing and literacy expectations; and the development of district AI planning and guidelines.

### Student Services & Mental Health Supports

- In conclusion, Dr. Rasmus explained that the district is exploring a partnership with The Nest Clinic to provide in-person outpatient mental health services for students, which would supplement or replace current tele therapy services. The proposed model would allow services to be billed through student insurance, making it more sustainable than grant-funded models and strengthening relationships with families. He added that there would be some administrative fees to be covered by the district, but that most of the cost would be covered by insurance.

## **4. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

- Mr. Gordner had previously submitted his report to the Board for consideration but wanted to highlight a few items. He gave a shout out to Ms. Sick and the Elementary students who recently participated in a Kids Heart Challenge, raising over \$4,000 for heart health. Then, he gave a shout out to Mrs. Diehl and Mrs. Iliev for their work with One School, One Book, a school wide literacy initiative including building-wide reading activities and a family literacy night with strong participation. Finally, he shared that Kindergarten students have been participating in a global valentine exchange, receiving cards from multiple countries and integrating geography into learning.
- Mr. Mills also shared a report but wanted to highlight a few items. In addition to the FFA students who have earned their Keystone Degree, he shared that Ainsley Eckroth has earned the right to attend All State Chorus. Mr. Mills explained that high school scheduling for next year is underway, including elective selection and master schedule development. Additionally, students are enrolling in Early College programming through Bloomsburg University. Finally, the high school has a continued focus on literacy with a school wide reading challenge and preparation for PSSAs and Keystone Exams.
- Mrs. Fritz shared that she has been participating in a full schedule of IEP meetings and that administration met with the Cartwheel company, among others, to discuss some initiatives for the next school year. Additionally, she has reviewed the master schedule with Mr. Mills.
- Dr. Meadows echoed what was previously mentioned, adding that the administration is considering some programs in contrast to the therapy services currently employed by the district.

## **5. REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS**

### CMAVTS Representatives – Mr. Alex Cavallini & Mr. Greg Hemsarh

- Mr. Cavallini shared that the school had a successful Open House event.

### CSIU Representative – Mrs. Jessica Whitmoyer

- Mrs. Whitmoyer stated that the meeting was routine and had nothing to add.

**6. APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES****6.1 February 9, 2026 - Board Meeting Minutes**

A motion by Greg Hemsarth and second by Gena Maize that the Millville Area School Board approve the February 9, 2026 Millville Area School District Board meeting minutes.

The motion carried by voice vote. 9 Yea; 0 Nay; 0 Absent

**7. BUDGET AND FINANCE****7.1 Expenditures**

A motion by Heather Mausteller and second by Greg Hemsarth that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve February 23, 2026 general fund expenditures in the amount of \$387,863.01, athletic expenditures in the amount of \$312.00, and cafeteria expenditures in the amount of \$28,925.44.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 1 Absent

**8. POLICY & GOVERNANCE****8.1 Second Reading Revised MASD Board Policies and Administrative Regulations**

A motion by Greg Hemsarth and second by Gena Maize that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve the second and final readings of the revised Millville Area School District Board Policies and Administrative Regulations, as recommended by PSBA per recent changes to federal regulations and by the Policy Committee.

- 8.1 A - MASD Policy 816: District Social Media
- 8.1 B - MASD Policy 204: Attendance
- Administrative Regulation 204-AR-0: Compulsory Attendance / Unexcused Absences
- Administrative Regulation 204-AR-3: Truant Notification Letter
- Administrative Regulation 204-AR-4: Habitually Truant Notice
- Administrative Regulation 204-AR-5: School Attendance Improvement Plan
- 8.1 C - MASD Policy 218.1: Weapons
- Administrative Regulation 218.1-AR-0: Weapons Notifications to Appropriate Population of School Community
- 8.1 D - MASD Policy 805.2: School Security Personnel
- Administrative Regulation 805.2-AR-0: School Security Personnel Training
- 8.1 E - MASD Policy 227: Controlled Substances / Paraphernalia
- 8.1 F - Administrative Regulation 904-AR-1 - Supervision of K-6 Students at District Athletic, Cultural, and Co-Curricular Events

The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 1 Absent

**9. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS****9.1 Inter-District Nursing Agreement**

A motion by Gena Maize and second by Corey Whitmoyer that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve the Inter-District Nursing Agreement between the Millville Area School District and the Benton Area School District whereby the Benton Area School District will provide the Millville Area School District with a Health Room Assistant/LPN for a fee of \$475 per day. This agreement will only be enacted when both school nurses are absent and all reasonable efforts to identify an appropriate substitute professional have been undertaken without success.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 1 Absent

9.2 Health Services Agreement between MASD and Greenwood Friends School 2025-2026

A motion by Greg Hemsarth and second by Heather Mausteller that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve the 2025-2026 Health Service Agreement between the Millville Area School District and the Greenwood Friends School.

- Ms. Maize asked if this was a regular agreement.
- Mr. Hemsarth answered that yes, this was renewed annually.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 1 Absent

9.3 Sapphire - Single Sign On Agreement

A motion by Greg Hemsarth and second by Gena Maize that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve the agreement with Sapphire Software for the implementation of a Google single sign-on to access the district's existing software, at a total cost of \$1000. This acquisition is for safety and security of all student, faculty, and district information.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 1 Absent

9.4 Sapphire - Audit Agreement

A motion by Greg Hemsarth and second by Gena Maize that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve the agreement with Sapphire Software for a formal audit of the Sapphire systems for purposes of safety and security.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 1 Absent

9.5 Physician Services Agreement with Geisinger Clinic

A motion by Greg Hemsarth and second by Gena Maize that the Millville Area School Board approve the agreement with Geisinger Clinic to provide physician services to the Millville Area School District, effective July 1, 2026 and for a term of three (3) years, at the contracted rate of \$235.00 per hour (previously \$146.97).

The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 1 Absent

9.6 Geisinger Clinic Athletic Training Agreement

A motion by Heather Mausteller and second by Corey Whitmoyer that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve the agreement between Millville Area School District and Geisinger Clinic to provide Athletic Training services as outlined in the agreement, effective July 1, 2026 and for a term of three (3) years, unless earlier terminated according to the terms within the agreement.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 1 Absent

**10. CURRICULUM / EDUCATIONAL**10.1 Curricular Excursions & Field Trips

A motion by Greg Hemsarth and second by Gena Maize that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve the curricular excursions and trips as presented. District will sponsor field trip costs up to the \$20 per student threshold, as indicated in the Millville Area School District Administrative Regulation 121-AR-1: Field Trips, Curricular Excursions, and Community Based Instruction.

- 10.1 A - 1st Grade to Bloomsburg Children's Museum - Mrs. Flook - February 23, 2026
- 10.1 B - 2nd Grade to Bloomsburg Children's Museum - Mrs. Brandt - February 24, 2026
- 10.1 C - Youth Mental Health Summit - Mrs. Fritz - March 10, 2026
- 10.1 D - Region Band Festival - Mrs. Sweeney - March 11 - 13, 2026

- 10.1 E - French Classes to Lycoming College - Mrs. Laayouni - March 18, 2026
- 10.1 F - Women in Ag Conference - Mrs. Hall - March 18, 2026
- 10.1 G - State Legislative Leadership Conference - Mrs. Hall - March 22 - 24, 2026
- 10.1 H - Northern Region LDE's and CDE's - Mrs. Hall - April 21, 2026
- 10.1 I - Ag Safety Day - Mrs. Hall - Mrs. Hall - May 6, 2026
- 10.1 J - 5th Grade to Lake Tobias - Mrs. Richards - May 7, 2026
- 10.1 K - 3rd Grade to T&D Cats of the World - Mrs. Titter - May 13, 2026
- 10.1 L - 6th Grade to Knoebels - Mr. Eddy - May 28, 2026

The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 1 Absent

## **11. PERSONNEL AND ACTIVITIES**

### **11.1 Appoint School Social Worker**

A motion by Gena Maize and second by Corey Whitmoyer that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve appointing SARAH DISCHNER, as School Social Worker at Masters, Step 7, with commensurate salary per the collective bargaining agreement. Pending PDE review and approval of certification and licensure and receipt of all necessary documentation.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 1 Absent

### **11.2 Appoint Cafeteria Worker**

A motion by Gena Maize and second by Heather Mausteller that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve the appointment of ANITA CAWLEY as Cafeteria Worker working 5 hours per day at the rate of \$12.15 per hour.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 1 Absent

### **11.3 Substitute Personnel**

A motion by Jessica Whitmoyer and second by Corey Whitmoyer that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve the substitute personnel recommendations as presented.

- Nurse Substitute
  - 11.3 A - Approve BONNIE KREISER and NANCY DOMBROSKY as Nurse Substitutes for the 2025-2026 school year. Pending receipt of all necessary documentation.
- Cafeteria Substitute
  - 11.3 B - Approve NELLY SWISHER as a Cafeteria Substitute for the 2025-2026 school year, at the rate of \$10.25 per hour.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 1 Absent

### **11.4 Co-Curricular Personnel (A-K)**

A motion by Gena Maize and second by Heather Mausteller that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve the Co-Curricular Personnel recommendations for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 school year as presented (letters A-K only).

- Then, a motion was made by Greg Hemsarth and second by Gena Maize that the Millville Area School Board rescind the motion to approve the Co-Curricular Personnel recommendations for the 2025-2026 school year as presented (letters A-K only).
  - The motion to rescind carried by voice vote. 9 Yea; 0 Nay; 0 Absent

11.4 A (1) – Co-Curricular Personnel

A motion by Gena Maize and second by Heather Mausteller that the Millville Area School Board accept the notice of resignation from RICK RIERA GOMEZ as Junior High Girls Soccer Coach, effective immediately.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

11.4 A (2) – Co-Curricular Personnel

A motion by Gena Maize and second by Jessica Whitmoyer that the Millville Area School Board appoint KIMBERLY BRAY as Junior High Field Hockey Coach for the 2026 spring sports season. Clearances and necessary training on file.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

11.4 B – Co-Curricular Personnel

A motion by Gena Maize and second by Heather Mausteller that the Millville Area School District appoint RICK RIERA-GOMEZ as Junior High Boys Soccer Coach for the 2026 spring sports season. Pending receipt of all necessary documentation.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

11.4 C – Co-Curricular Personnel

A motion by Heather Mausteller and second by Gena Maize that the Millville Area School Board appoint MICHAEL MIGUELEZ as Junior High Girls Soccer Coach for the 2026 spring sports season. Pending receipt of all necessary documentation.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

11.4 D – Co-Curricular Personnel

A motion by Jessica Whitmoyer and second by Heather Mausteller that the Millville Area School Board appoint TYLER JOHNSON as Varsity Baseball Volunteer Assistant Coach for the 2026 spring sports season. Pending receipt of all necessary documentation.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

11.4 E – Co-Curricular Personnel

A motion by Heather Mausteller and second by Jessica Whitmoyer that the Millville Area School Board appoint NATHAN BENEDICT as Varsity Baseball Volunteer Assistant Coach for the 2026 spring sports season. Pending receipt of all necessary documentation.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 6 Yes; 3 No (G. Maize, C. Whitmoyer, J. Whitmoyer); 0 Absent

11.4 F – Co-Curricular Personnel

A motion by Heather Mausteller and second by Gena Maize that the Millville Area School Board appoint EVAN BROKENSHIRE as Varsity Baseball Volunteer Assistant Coach for the 2026 spring sports season. Pending receipt of all necessary documentation.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 8 Yes; 1 No (C. Whitmoyer), 0 Absent

11.4 G – Co-Curricular Personnel

A motion by Jessica Whitmoyer and second by Gena Maize that the Millville Area School Board appoint JESSE ZEISLOFT as Varsity Baseball Volunteer Assistant Coach for the 2026 spring sports season. Pending receipt of all necessary documentation.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

11.4 H – Co-Curricular Personnel

A motion by Heather Mausteller and second by Gena Maize that the Millville Area School Board appoint HAYDEN WEAVER as Varsity Baseball Volunteer Assistant Coach for the 2026 spring sports season. Pending receipt of all necessary documentation.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 6 Yes; 3 No (G. Maize, C. Whitmoyer, J. Whitmoyer); 0 Absent

11.4 I – Co-Curricular Personnel

A motion by Gena Maize and second by Heather Mausteller that the Millville Area School Board appoint JACOB FOUGHT as Varsity Baseball Volunteer Assistant Coach for the 2026 spring sports season. Pending receipt of all necessary documentation.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

11.4 J – Co-Curricular Personnel

A motion by Heather Mausteller and second by Gena Maize that the Millville Area School Board appoint CHRISTOPHER MCGEEHAN as Varsity Baseball Volunteer Assistant Coach for the 2026 spring sports season. Pending receipt of all necessary documentation.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 8 Yes; 1 No (C. Whitmoyer); 0 Absent

11.4 K – Co-Curricular Personnel

A motion by Matthew Deihl and second by Corey Whitmoyer that the Millville Area School Board appoint NICK PEASE as Varsity Softball Volunteer Assistant Coach for the 2026 spring sports season. Pending receipt of all necessary documentation.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

11.4 L – Co-Curricular Personnel

A motion by Gena Maize and second by Heather Mausteller that the Millville Area School Board appoint RICK RIERA-GOMEZ as Varsity Boys Soccer Head Coach for the 2026 fall sports season. Pending receipt of all necessary documentation.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

11.4 M – Co-Curricular Personnel

A motion by Gena Maize and second by Jessica Whitmoyer that the Millville Area School Board appoint MICHAEL MIGUELEZ as Varsity Girls Soccer Head Coach for the 2026 fall sports season. Pending receipt of all necessary documentation.

The motion carried by roll call vote. 8 Yes; 1 No (M. Farrell); 0 Absent

11.5 Commonwealth University - Bloomsburg Students Practicum Placements

A motion by Gena Maize and second by Jessica Whitmoyer that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve the Commonwealth University - Bloomsburg Student Practicum Placements with the cooperating teachers, as presented, in the spring 2026 spring semester. Pending of necessary documentation.

Klohe Faatz	Emily Bloom	Gwen Utt	Danielle Wintersteen
Mallory Dickinson	Erica Sponenberg	Maddie Theisen	Taylor Grier
Emma Bostic	Anna Sarnoski		

The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

11.6 Volunteer Personnel

A motion by Alex Cavallini and second by Corey Whitmoyer that the Millville Area School Board consider and approve the list of Volunteer Personnel for the 2025-2026 school year as presented. Current clearances and Volunteer Forms on file.

- Mollie Kile, Bonnie Kreiser, Kasey Mastellar, Ryan Rambo, Haydee Stout, Sandra Wemple

The motion carried by roll call vote. 9 Yes; 0 No; 0 Absent

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion by Heather Mausteller and second by Greg Hemsarth to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:49 pm.

Whitney Holloway, Board Secretary

Chelsea Rosenberger, Board Recording Secretary