

## MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, Miller School District #29-4 was held on Monday, April 11, 2022, in the Miller Community Center. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Natalie Bertsch, President of the Board. Other members in attendance were Vance Caffee, Amy Howard, Jonathan Hurd, Rob Mullaney, Connie Schroeder and Tara Yost. Also in attendance were Dr. Charlene Crosswait, Superintendent, Steve Schumacher, Jr./Sr. High School Principal, Drake Bachmeier, Elementary Principal, Dr. Kim Cypher, Special Education Director, Sara Gates, Business Manager, Kari Sargent, Josh Haaland, Roxanne Stevens, Marissa Resel, Jodi Baumberger, Karen Gesinger, Katie Otteson, and Lisa Anson.

Motion by Hurd, second by Mullaney to approve the board agenda. All voting aye.

Dr. Charlene Crosswait recognized May 2-6, 2022 as Teacher Appreciation Week. Thank you to all the teachers, we appreciate everything you do for kids. Congratulations to Tom McGough for being named SD Basketball Coaches Association Regional Coach of the Year.

Motion by Howard, second by Caffee to approve the Consent Agenda Items.

1. Minutes of the March 14, 2022 Regular Meeting
2. Minutes of the March 31, 2022 Special Meeting
3. Minutes of the April 5, 2022 Special Meeting
4. Payment of presented bills
5. Financial Report

All voting aye.

Marissa Resel spoke for the MEA and wanted to address the comments from the March board meeting about the staff being paid double for two in-service days before school.

Administration clarification for days-2 days were part of salary plus compensation for in-service.

Presentation was given on the Opt Out.

Motion by Hurd, second by Mullaney to have the Board of Miller School District vote on the resolution for the Opt-out of the general fund tax levy limitation as set by the legislature. Roll call vote, voting aye: Caffee, Howard, Hurd, Mullaney, Schroeder, Yost, and Bertsch.

### RESOLUTION FOR OPT OUT

The Governing Board of the Miller School District do state that the above said board is unable to operate under the tax limitation measure currently in statute. We therefore OPT OUT of such tax limitation in the amount of \$585,000.00 starting with calendar year 2022 taxes payable in the calendar year 2023. This opt out will be for 3 years, which will be through taxes payable in the calendar year 2025. This action has been taken by the board and approved by at least a two-thirds vote of the board.

This decision may be referred to a vote of the people upon a petition signed by at least five percent of the registered voters in the district and filed with the governing body within twenty days of the first publication of this decision.

Unless the action is referred to a vote of the people and reversed by such a vote, this resolution authorizes the county auditor to spread an excess levy to raise tax dollars in the above stated amount.

Motion by Howard, second by Yost to authorize membership in the South Dakota High School Activities Association. All voting aye.

Motion by Hurd, second by Mullaney to approve the adoption and renewal motion for the ASB Protective Trust Workers Compensation Fund Participation Agreement for the 2022-2023 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Schroeder, second by Caffee to approve the ASB Protective SD School District Benefit 2022 Bylaws Resolution. All voting aye

Motion by Mullaney, second by Howard to approve the adoption and renewal motion for the ASB Protective Trust South Dakota School District Benefits Fund Participation Agreement for the 2022-2023 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Yost, second by Hurd to approve Riley Pugh as a Volunteer Golf Coach for the 2021-2022 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Schroeder, second by Hurd to approve the proposal from G & R Controls in the amount of \$49,902.00 for the HVAC project. All voting aye.

Motion by Howard, second by Mullaney to approve carpet in the theatre in the amount of \$10,847.01. All voting aye.

Motion by Yost, second by Schroeder to approve the shared services Psychologist services with Redfield School in the amount of \$35,000.00 for 2022-2023 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Howard, second by Yost to approve the State of South Dakota School Health Contract at \$40.00 per hour for the 2022-2023 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Hurd, second by Mullaney to vote for Ryan Nelson as ASBSD Board of Directors for the Northeast Region with enrollment of 266-999. All voting aye.

Discussion on COVID.

Drake Bachmeier, Elementary Principal, reported on Kindergarten Screening, Redfield Spelling Bee, and penny war fundraiser held by the Elementary Student Council.

Steve Schumacher, Jr./Sr. High School Principal, reported on Prom, Northeast Jazz Festival, and midterms. He also recognized teachers for teacher appreciation week.

Kim Cypher, Special Education Director, reported that the staff is finishing up testing for special education.

Sara Gates, Business Manager, reported that there was a 3% increase for the health insurance this year.

Dr. Charlene Crosswait, Superintendent, inquired about painting the armory, summer school, and making up days if there are multiple snow days.

Motion by Caffee, second by Yost to enter executive session for the express purpose of negotiations SDCL 1-25-2 (4) at 7:55 p.m. All voting aye.

President Bertsch declared return to regular session at 8:24 p.m.

Motion by Howard, second by Hurd to enter executive session for the express purpose of personnel issues SDCL 1-25-2 (1) at 8:24 p.m. All voting aye.

President Bertsch declared return to regular session at 9:24 p.m.

Motion by Howard, second by Caffee to approve the resignation of Jillian Grabinski as Title Teacher at the end of the 2021-2022 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Hurd, second by Mullaney to approve the resignation of Andrea Fiala as Robotic Coach at the end of the 2021-2022 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Mullaney, second by Yost to approve the resignation of Virgil Whetsel as Assistant Robotics Coach at the end of the 2021-2022 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Howard, second by Hurd to approve the resignation of Erica Paul as Special Education Paraprofessional at the end of the 2021-2022 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Schroeder, second by Yost to approve the resignation of Karren Rogers as Assistant Volleyball Coach the end of the 2021-2022 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Mullaney, second by Hurd to approve the resignation of Samantha Ringling as Second Grade Teacher at the end of the 2021-2022 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Hurd, second by Howard to approve the resignation of Jerica Zemlicka as JH/HS Teacher at the end of the 2021-2022 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Schroeder, second by Mullaney to approve the resignation of Hannah Caffee as .50 HS Science/.50 Special Education Teacher at the end of the 2021-2022 school year. Voting aye: Bertsch, Howard, Hurd, Mullaney, Schroeder, and Yost. Caffee abstained.

Motion by Hurd, second by Yost to approve the resignation of Kelly DiGuilo as .50 Art Teacher at the end of the 2021-2022 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Mullaney, second by Schroeder to approve the resignation of Josh Haaland as Assistant Varsity Football Coach at the end of the 2021-2022 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Howard, second by Mullaney to approve the resignation of Elizabeth Engle as Special Education Teacher, Junior High Volleyball Coach, Junior High Basketball Coach, and Cheer Coach at the end of the 2021-2022 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Hurd, second by Mullaney to approve the administrative contract for Elementary Principal/Special Education Director for Jennifer Boomsma-Kelsey in the amount of \$80,000.00 for the 2022-2023 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Caffee, second by Howard to approve the certified contract for Shawn Cudmore-Kremer as School Counselor in the amount of \$42,650.00 for the 2022-2023 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Hurd, second by Mullaney to approve the certified contract for Melvin Santarita as Special Education Teacher in the amount of \$47,550.00 for the 2022-2023 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Howard, second by Yost to approve the certified contract for Katelyn Rick as Elementary Teacher in the amount of \$41,250.00 for the 2022-2023 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Hurd, second by Mullaney to approve the certified contract for Elizabeth Engle as Elementary Teacher in the amount of \$43,650.00 for the 2022-2023 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Howard, second by Yost to approve the Driver's Education contract for classroom instruction for Drake Bachmeier for the 2022-2023 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Howard, second by Yost to approve the work agreement for Trey Tiefenthaler as Varsity Girls Basketball Coach in the amount of \$5,239.00 for the 2022-2023 school year. All voting aye.

The next regular school board meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 9, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. in the Miller Community Center.

Motion by Howard, second by Yost to adjourn at 9:54 p.m. All voting aye.

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Natalie Bertsch, President  
Board of Education

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Sara Gates  
Business Manager