

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, Miller School District #29-4 was held on Monday, February 13, 2023, at Miller High School, room 123. The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Natalie Bertsch, President of the Board via zoom. Other members in attendance were Reno Brueggeman, Amy Howard, Rob Mullaney, and Tara Yost. Absent was Vance Caffee and Jon Hurd. Also in attendance were Eric Norden, Superintendent, Steve Schumacher, Jr./Sr. High School Principal, Jennifer Boomsma-Kelsey, Elementary Principal/SPED Director, and Sara Gates, Business Manager.

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

Motion by Yost, second by Brueggeman to approve the consent agenda items.

1. Minutes of the January 9, 2023 Regular Meeting
2. Payment of presented bills
3. Financial Report

All voting aye.

Eric Norden, Superintendent, reported that the Food Service Fund has an excess fund balance of \$39,696.00 according to the state. Since we already have all new kitchen equipment, we will be purchasing two new point of sale terminals, bar code printers, a computer and printer for the kitchen staff and offering free breakfasts to students the rest of the school year.

Motion by Yost, second by Mullaney to approve the District Calendar as presented for the 2023-2024 school year. All voting aye.

First reading of policies

- a. CI-Administrative Staff Evaluations
- b. JFCA-Student Appropriate Dress
- c. JFCD-Bullying
- d. KL-Complaint Procedure Policy
- e. IIBGB-Computer Network/Internet Acceptable Use Policy
- f. IKA-Grading System
- g. GCBD-Staff Leaves and Absences
- h. CIA-Principal Qualifications
- i. ILB-State Assessments
- j. GBM-Teacher Grievance Policies

Motion by Brueggeman, second by Howard to approve the request from the Knights of Columbus to use the armory on February 19, 2023, for the annual free throw contest and to waive the fees for this use. All voting aye.

Discussion on armory parking lot.

Motion by Mullaney, second by Brueggeman to advertise for RFP to start construction on the armory parking lot. All voting aye.

Discussion on Armory speaker system.

Motion by Yost, second by Howard to approve the request for out of state travel for the high school jazz band to participate in the Norfolk Jazz Festival in Norfolk, NE on Monday, March 27, 2023. All voting aye.

Motion by Brueggeman, second by Mullaney to approve the request from Music Parents to use the facility for the vocal contest on March 4, 2023, the Pops Concert on March 19, 2023, and the instrumental contest on April 29, 2023, and to waive the fees for this use. All voting aye.

Motion by Mullaney, second by Howard to approve the use of a school vehicle and a classroom for driver's education training for the summer of 2023. All voting aye.

Motion by Brueggeman, second by Yost to set the fee for Driver's Education for the summer of 2023 at \$220.00 per student. All voting aye.

Motion by Mullaney, second by Brueggeman to approve the proposal from Kohlman, Bierschbach, & Anderson LLP to perform the Miller School District's 2022-2023 school year audit in the amount of \$21,000.00. All voting aye.

Jennifer Boomsma-Kelsey, Elementary Principal/SPED Director, reported on a new elementary student council, parent/teacher conferences, and the recent Title I review. She also reported that we have some new ELL students and thanked our staff involved for their efforts.

Steve Schumacher, Jr./Sr. High School Principal, reported on student council activities, parent/teacher conferences, and he thanked Chris Keeter for presenting a 3-hour CPR course. He also mentioned that there will be a junior high dance on Friday, February 17, 2023 in the high school commons from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Chaperones are welcome. He also reported that the band played at the Sky force game in Sioux Falls, and he also had good results from the Region Music Contest that was held on February 8, 2023, in Aberdeen. He stated that he is currently working on next year's class schedule.

Eric Norden, Superintendent, recognized February 20-24, 2023, as SD School Board Recognition week and thanked our board members for their service. He reported on building projects and presented a legislative update. He also reported the need to find a Driver's Education teacher and the struggles that are presenting themselves. Mr. Norden also stated that the Daktronics sign in front of the school should be installed and running by the end of the week.

Motion by Howard, second by Mullaney to enter Executive Session for the express purpose of personnel SDCL 1-25-2 (1) at 3:11 p.m. All voting aye.

President Bertsch declared return to regular session at 3:31 p.m.

Motion by Brueggeman, second by Yost to enter Executive Session for the express purpose of student issues SDCL 1-25-2 (2) at 3:32 p.m. All voting aye.

President Bertsch declared return to regular session at 3:37 p.m.

Motion by Howard, second by Mullaney to enter Executive Session for the express purpose of negotiations SDCL 1-25-2 (3) at 3:37 p.m. All voting aye.

President Bertsch declared return to regular session at 3:52 p.m.

Motion by Mullaney, second by Yost to approve the certified contract for Stacey Hosman as Elementary Teacher in the amount of \$48,350.00 for the 2023-2024 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Howard, second by Brueggeman to approve the work agreement for Taylee Harris as Educational Assistant in the amount of \$17.00 per hour for the 2022-2023 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Yost, second by Brueggeman to approve Travis Heasley as Volunteer Assistant Track Coach for the 2022-2023 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Howard, second by Yost to accept the resignation of Sara Gates as Concession Advisor at the end of the 2022-2023 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Brueggeman, second by Mullaney to approve the resignation of Melvin Santarita as SPED teacher at the end of the 2022-2023 school year. All voting aye.

The next regular school board meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 13, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. in the Elementary School Library.

Motion by Mullaney, second by Brueggeman to adjourn at 3:54 p.m. All voting aye.

Natalie Bertsch, President
Board of Education

Sara Gates
Business Manager