

## MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, Miller School District #29-4 was held on Wednesday, October 13, 2021, in the Elementary School Library. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Natalie Bertsch, President of the Board. Other members in attendance were Vance Caffee, Amy Howard, Jonathan Hurd, Robert 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, Collin Otteson, Stephanie Edwards, Sherry Gross, April Haigh, Mark Ketelhut, Trey Tiefenthaler, Jan Kittelson, and Erica Hargens.

Motion by Schroeder, second by Howard to approve the agenda as amended. All voting aye.

The Miller School Board was recognized as a Gold Level Board from the Associated School Boards of South Dakota.

Motion by Hurd, second by Mullaney to approve consent agenda items

- a. Minutes of the September 13, 2021 Board Meeting
- b. Payment of presented bills
- c. Financial Report
- d. Surplus items-13 footballs, approx. 75 helmet ear pads, approx. 20 helmet chin straps, 6 water bottles, 3 boxes of thigh pads, 1 box cowboy collars, 2 boxes of hip pads, 1 box butt pads, 3 boxes of old jerseys (98 jerseys & 41 practice jerseys), 30 old white practice jerseys, and 1 box of rib protectors

All voting aye.

Mark Ketelhut and Stephanie Edwards presented on Career and Technical Education Programs.

Collin Otteson provided information on the current screen and projector in the theater.

Opening of a snow removal bid from Scott Gibson for 2021-2022 school year.

Motion by Yost, second by Mullaney to accept Scott Gibson's snow removal bid for skidloader at \$100.00 per hour for the 2021-2022 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Howard, second by Mullaney to approve the request from the Junior Class to use the armory gym, concessions, and commons area for the Halloween carnival prom fundraiser on October 29, 2021 and to waive the fees for this use. All voting aye.

Motion by Hurd, second by Schroeder to approve the request from the Prairie Good Samaritan Society-Miller to use the school facilities in the event of an emergency evacuation of the Prairie Good Samaritan Society-Miller. All voting aye.

Second reading of policies:

- a. GBEC Use of Alcohol and Controlled Substances
- b. JEAA Student Alternative Instruction
- c. JFCH Alcohol and Drug Uses by Students
- d. JHCD Administration of Medication to Students
- e. JHCDE Administration of Medical Cannabis to Qualifying Students
- f. JHCDE (1) Medical Cannabis Administration Plan

Motion by Mullaney, second by Caffee to adopt the following policies:

- a. GBEC Use of Alcohol and Controlled Substances
- b. JEAA Student Alternative Instruction
- c. JFCH Alcohol and Drug Uses by Students
- d. JHCD Administration of Medication to Students
- e. JHCDE Administration of Medical Cannabis to Qualifying Students
- f. JHCDE (1) Medical Cannabis Administration Plan

All voting aye.

Motion by Hurd, second by Mullaney to approve the payment of \$150.00 to school attorney Rodney Freeman for cost associated to attend the National Education Law Association 2021 Annual Meeting. All voting aye.

Motion by Howard, second by Yost to approve the request from the Hand County 4-H Leaders Association to use the kitchen and high school commons for their annual Recognition Banquet on November 14, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. and to waive the fees for this use. All voting aye.

Discussion on weighted classes.

Discussion on COVID.

Jon Hurd left the meeting due to other commitments.

Drake Bachmeier, Elementary Principal, reported on conferences, Character Counts, and Bully Prevention Month.

Steve Schumacher, JH/HS Principal, reported on conferences, fall sports and activities.

Dr. Kim Cyper, Special Education Director, reported on a autism trainer from Nebraska that has been very beneficial.

Dr. Charlene Crosswait, Superintendent, reported on building repairs, covid, and ESSER funds that were received in the amount of \$284,663.00.

Motion by Howard, second by Yost to enter into Executive Session for the express purpose of personnel at 7:08 p.m. SDCL 1-25-2 (1). All voting aye.

President Bertsch declared return to regular session at 7:44 p.m.

Motion by Mullaney, second by Caffee to approve the payment of \$413.91 to Gary Price for September wages. All voting aye.

Motion by Howard, second by Yost to approve the work agreement for Tom McGough as Varsity Girls Basketball Coach in the amount of \$5,239.00 for the 2021-2022 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Schroeder, second by Mullaney to approve the work agreement for Elizabeth Engle as Junior High Assistant Girls Basketball Coach in the amount of \$1,939.00 for the 2021-2022 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Caffee, second by Howard to approve the work agreement for Catherine Arthur as Junior High Head Boys Basketball Coach in the amount of \$2,846.00 for the 2021-2022 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Yost, second by Schroeder to approve the work agreement for William McCann as Junior High Assistant Boys Basketball Coach in the amount of \$1,939.00 for the 2021-2022 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Mullaney, second by Yost to approve the certified contract for Shawn Kremer as Part-time Counselor in the amount of \$35.00 per hour for the 2021-2022 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Howard, second by Caffee to amend the certified contract for Mark Ketelhut as Ag Teacher, FFA Advisor, Extended Summer Contract, Junior High Head Girls Basketball Coach, and Junior High Track Assistant Coach to the amount of \$60,050.00 for the 2021-2022 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Mullaney, second by Yost to amend the certified contract for Deb Beilke as Skill Builder's Teacher to the amount of \$21,534.50 for the 2021-2022 school year. All voting aye.

The next regular school board meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 8, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. in the elementary school library.

Motion by Schroeder, second by Mullaney to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. All voting aye

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Natalie Bertsch, President  
Board of Education

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Sara Gates  
Business Manager