

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, Miller School District #29-4 was held on Monday, September 14, 2020 in the Elementary School Library. Natalie Bertsch, President of the Board, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Other members in attendance were Vance Caffee, Amy Howard, Rob Mullaney, Connie Schroeder, and Tara Yost. Absent was Jonathan Hurd. Also in attendance were Charlene Crosswait, Superintendent, Steve Schumacher, Jr./Sr. High School Principal, Knute Reiersen, Elementary Principal, Dr. Kim Cypher, Special Education Director, Sara Gates, Business Manager, Katie Otteson, John Page, Karen Gesinger, Sherry Gross, Diane Goetz, and Andrew Baus.

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

Motion by Mullaney, second by Yost to approve the Consent Agenda Items.

1. Minutes of the August 10, 2020 Regular Board meeting
2. Minutes of the August 24, 2020 Special Board meeting
3. Payment of presented bills
4. Financial Report
5. Surplus items
6. Open enrolled student

All voting aye.

Andrew Baus and Diane Goetz from American Bank & Trust presented 300 free masks to the school.

Motion by Schroeder, second by Mullaney to advertise for snow removal quotes. All voting aye.

Motion by Yost, second by Howard to approve the use of the Armory by the Snow Queen committee for the 2020-2021 Snow Queen Festival on November 27 and 28, 2020 and to waive the fees for this use. All voting aye.

Motion by Schroeder, second by Mullaney to approve the 2020-2021 Special Education Comprehensive Plan. All voting aye.

Motion by Howard, second by Mullaney to approve the following resolution for adoption of the Annual Budget and Tax Levy Request for the 2020-2021 school year:

LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the Miller School District #29-4, after duly considering the proposed budget and its changes thereto, to be published in accordance with SDCL 13-11-2 hereby approves and adopts its proposed budget and change thereto, to be its Annual Budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. The adopted Annual Budget levy requests are as follows:

	<u>Tax Levy Requests</u>
General Fund	AG
\$1.443/thousand	
	OO
\$3.229/thousand	
	Other
\$6.682/thousand	
General Fund Opt Out	\$385,000
Special Education	\$625,000
Capital Outlay	\$1,610,000

Voting aye: Caffee, Howard, Mullaney, Schroeder, Yost, and Bertsch

Motion by Yost, second by Mullaney to approve the bid from Will Jones Construction for \$4,560.85 plus excise tax. All voting aye.

Knute Reiersen, Elementary Principal, reported on Reading Plus, Elem Student Council, Super Summer Readers, and social distancing at lunch time.

Steve Schumacher, Jr./Sr. High School Principal, reported on class officers, Homecoming, Parent/Teacher conferences, and he thanked all staff for their extra efforts to keep kids in school.

Dr. Kim Cypher, Special Education Director, reported on the Special Education departments.

Sara Gates, Business Manager, reported on the Miller School District's Annual Report, fiscal year 2020 audit, and Corona Relief funding.

Jon Hurd joined by teleconference at 6:59 p.m.

Dr. Charlene Crosswait, Superintendent, stated that our district will be receiving about \$216,500.00 from Corona Relief funding that needs to be spent on items that were not budgeted for. She presented a quote for promethean boards that would be beneficial to students while doing online learning but would also be advantageous in the classroom. Training would be needed and she proposed two additional paid days for teacher training. She recommended that Miller School Board members not take responsibility to make judgement calls on quarantine and that we continue to follow the CDC/DOH guidelines.

Motion by Mullaney, second by Yost, to approve the quote from Connecting Point for promethean boards for \$94,813.85. Voting aye: Caffee, Howard, Hurd, Mullaney, Schroeder, Yost, and Bertsch.

Motion by Howard, second by Mullaney to enter into Executive Session for the express purpose of personnel issues at 7:34 p.m. SDCL 1-25-2(1). All voting aye.

President Bertsch declared return to regular session at 7:36 p.m.

Minutes recorded by the Superintendent.

Motion by Mullaney, second by Schroeder to approve the work agreement for Shirley Hofer as Lunchroom Monitor at \$20.00 per hour for the 2020-2021 school year. All voting aye.

Motion by Howard, second by Yost to approve the work agreement for Marlys Aune as Lunchroom Monitor at \$20.00 per hour for the 2020-2021 school year. All voting aye.

The next regular school board meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 12, 20 at 9:00 a.m. in the elementary school library.

Motion by Yost, second by Caffee to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. All voting aye.

Natalie Bertsch, President
Board of Education

Sara Gates
Business Manager