

Approved
Milford Board of Education

Business Meeting and Live Streamed on YouTube

Meeting Minutes

January 8, 2024

Board members present:

Meghan Doyle
Scott Firmender
Susan Glennon (Board Chair)
Tracey Irby
Thomas Koba
Loren Mahler
Una Petroske
Christina Prete
Michael Smith
Cindy Wolfe Boynton

Administration present:

Dr. Anna Cutaia
Steven Autieri
Sean Brennan
Louis Giancola
Wendy Kopazna
Jennifer Stewart

I. CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Glennon called the board meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. in the Board of Education room at Parsons. By a roll call, all ten (10) Board members were present.

II. STUDENT REPORTS

Ike Opayemi updated the Board on the activities at Jonathan Law. Julian Sevillano updated the Board on activities at Foran.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

IV. CHAIR'S REPORT

Ms. Glennon reviewed the scheduled budget workshop dates of January 10th, 11th, and 17th with January 18th reserved, if needed. Any additional questions on the proposed budget should be sent to Ms. Glennon by tomorrow morning to allow time for the Administration to review and respond to them.

V. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

2024-25 Proposed Superintendent's Budget Presentation

Dr. Cutaia gave a presentation that provided the Board with an overview of the proposed 2024-25 budget. She highlighted the accomplishments as well as the challenges over the previous year. The budget for the 2024-25 year is \$111,285,770, which is a 4.7% increase over the 2023-24 adopted budget. During her presentation, she explained how the Administration prioritized the budgetary needs of the district, starting at zero. Dr. Cutaia also emphasized the foundation for the proposed system improvements are aligned to

Approved

the vision of the learner, high quality instruction model and the relationships framework while building on a legacy of excellence, progress and achievement. Further discussion will take place at the upcoming Board budget workshops.

Academic Calendar 2024-25

Dr. Cutaia presented the 2024-25 Academic Calendar to the Board for a second reading and approval. The Board had asked that the grade level symbols for the elementary school parent conferences be added to the key.

Mrs. Petroske made a motion that the Milford Board of Education approves the 2024-25 Academic Calendar as presented. Mr. Firmender seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Talent Management and Development Department Report

Ms. Kopazna presented the TMD Report for December and answered questions from the Board. Included in the report were the personnel changes, job postings, retirements, resignations, and terminations.

Disbursement Report

Mr. Brennan presented the Disbursement Report for December and answered questions from the Board.

Quarterly Budget Report

Mr. Brennan presented the Quarterly Budget Report for Q2 2023-24. He highlighted the accounts that the Administration is continuing to monitor and answered questions from the Board.

Dr. Cutaia noted that Board members Mike Smith, Loren Mahler, and Christina Prete attended this week's legislative breakfast.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Mrs. Petroske made a motion that the Milford Board of Education approves the Consent Agenda Item: Consideration of Minutes: December 11, 2023, Business Meeting. Mr. Firmender seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

VII. BOARD COMMENT

Several Board members commended the work that the Administration performed in planning the budget.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Petroske made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Firmender seconded. Seeing no objections, Ms. Glennon adjourned the meeting at 8:22 pm.

Corresponding Secretary: _____
Mrs. Una Petroske