

**MILAN AREA SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
WORKSHOP MEETING
WEDNESDAY, January 27, 2016**

The workshop meeting of the Milan Area Schools Board of Education was called to order by President Kiger at 7:00 p.m. on January 27, 2016.

Board Members Present: Kiger, Moccio, Vershum, Landingham, Cislo, Heikka, Peacock

Board Members Absent: None

Staff Present: David Kaiser

Guests Present: None

Pledge of Allegiance

The AP 6th Annual Honor Roll award presentation with Jason Feig was rescheduled due to a family emergency.

Public Comments: None

Motion by Peacock supported by Heikka to approve the Community Education Graduates, as provided in Attachment B, contingent upon their completion of all requirements. All Ayes. Carried 7-0

David Kaiser presented information, to the Board, regarding new ticket prices and the idea of an Athletic Punch Card system. The Board discussed the benefits of possibly adopting a new punch card-prepaid system of entering Athletic Events. Formal approval will be sought at a future Board meeting.

The Board discussed the Focus Statements and District/Superintendent Goals. The final statements and goals will be approved at an upcoming meeting.

Superintendent's Comments:

Board

Due to the Senior Honors Night, the May Workshop Meeting was rescheduled for May 18th.

Reilley Penhorwood, a high school senior, is competing for the Presidential Scholarship. The award recognizes our nation's most distinguished graduating seniors for their accomplishments in many areas such as, academic success, leadership, and service to school and community.

On February 1, 2016 the students of the MCIS will present their C-SPAN projects.

The Board is invited to the South and West Washtenaw Consortium, Career and Technical Education programs Open House on February 9, 2016.

MAS Administrators are currently looking into staffing needs for the 2016-2017 school year.

MAS, along with other local districts in the area, are looking into the possibility of bringing “Modern Teacher”, an educational technology and professional development company to our district for training.

Milan is proud to announce we now have 999 Facebook followers.

MAS has chosen Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, for our evaluation trainings. At this time there are no other districts in the area that are ready to begin this training with us, so we have decided that we will be contacting Houghton Mifflin to see if there might be any districts in Ohio that would be willing to join us.

The Special Education millage will be on the May ballot. There will be a meeting on May 4, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. at the Washtenaw Intermediate School District, all Board Members are encouraged to attend.

The Board was reminded that they need to vote for our MASB regional representative by March 7, 2016.

Assistant Superintendent’s Comments

Congratulation to Valerie Johnson, a Middle School teacher, who was awarded a grant from Donors Choose for the purchase of classroom furniture to provide a more kid-friendly learning environment.

Symons Elementary is hosting an Assessment Literacy Learning day on February 4, 2016.

Paddock Elementary will be hosting an Early Literacy group in March.

Board Member Comments

Landingham commented positively on the visit to Symons Elementary by Author Claudia Whitsett who spoke about her recent book entitled “Between the Lines”. This book tells the story of three girls who become friends during the racially-charged aftermath of the 1967 Detroit Riots.

Kiger gave an update on Board Committees and commended Mr. Girbach for speaking up at the latest Legislative coffee, thus doing a wonderful job representing Milan.

Public Comments: None

Time of Adjournment 11:19 p.m.