



Milford Board of Education Meeting Summary

The Milford Board of Education held its regular Board meeting on Thursday, August 19, 2010, at 7 p.m. at Mulberry Elementary.

The following business was conducted:

Special Presentations

Presentation by Jeff Johnson recognizing Jim Eckles with ShareFest and Darlene Bugajski with Milford Schools Touchdown Club for their assistance in landscaping the football stadium.

Athletic Update

Board President George Lucas reported on fall sports. The Fort Ancient Valley Conference divisions have been realigned from three divisions to two divisions (except for football) for the 2010-2011 school year. Milford is in the FAVC East Division with Anderson, Glen Este, Loveland, Turpin, Walnut Hills, Kings, Little Miami, and Wilmington.

Business Advisory Council Update:

Jeff Lykins, Chair of the BAC, reported that the focus of the past two meetings of the BAC has been on the three tasks assigned to them by the Board. They have developed a subcommittee for each task and assigned a BAC member to chair each of these subcommittees.

Public Participation

Cody Schultz spoke to the Board about the summer newspaper program that he taught at Seipelt. The program for 7th-9th graders was held over two months and the students produced a 10-page newspaper. Two of the students involved in the program also spoke about their positive experiences.

Treasurer's Report

Approved financial reports for the month ended July 31, 2010.

Approved resolution "Declaring Intent to Convert One-Half (0.5) of an Inside Mill from the Current Expense Use to Permanent Improvement Use, Scheduling a Public Hearing with Respect thereto and providing for the Publication of Notice of such Hearing." The purpose of this conversion of dollars from the general fund to the permanent improvement fund is to fulfill the requirement to have a reserve for the maintenance of the new facilities, which were funded by the Ohio School Funding Commission. This conversion will not increase taxes.

Superintendent's Report

In accordance with the Milford Board of Education Naming Facilities Policy, the Board officially named the high school soccer stadium Charity J. Lucas Soccer Stadium in memory of Charity J. Lucas, a student at Milford High School who was killed in an auto accident. Charity was an outstanding soccer player with Milford's program. Her parents, George and Penny, worked tirelessly to secure the donations and build the soccer stadium, which was accepted as a donation by the Milford Board of Education on August 15, 1990. A plaque with the official name will be installed at the stadium.

Dr. Farrell gave an update on Interdistrict Open Enrollment. The district received a total of 94 student applications, and as of August 19, 2010, a total of 39 students have been accepted. There are 11 applications still pending. Each applicant and the applicant's family met individually with district principals as part of the open enrollment process. Principals determined the openings in their building and also left spaces in their classrooms in the event of any last minute enrollment from Milford residents. The addition of the 39 students across the district will generate approximately \$222,000 in revenue, and if the 11 pending students are accepted, the total new revenue for the district will be about \$285,000.

Approved Administrative Salary Schedules, Classified Supervisors Salary Schedules for 2010 and 2011.

Passed resolution to deem transportation impractical for students to different private schools outside of the district 2010-11 school year by ORC 3327.02.

Curriculum and Instruction

Jill Chin and Nancy House gave an accountability update to the Board regarding the most current results of the local report card. According to the measures that are available from the state, the district has met 26 out of 26 indicators and has increased the Performance Index (PI) score to 104. For the first time, all eight buildings earned a PI over 100.00. The district is still waiting to hear AYP results, which will be available from the state after August 20, 2010. The Board commended the staff, parents, and students for their efforts in earning these outstanding results.

Approved K-5 Math teachers to attend Math Investigations Inservice, 11 teachers to write/revise grades 6-12 Mathematics, Aventa training (new online credit recovery program), and 21 hours of gifted curriculum writing.

Approved trips for the Milford High School 2010 Girls and Boys Water Polo Teams. All trips are at no cost to the district.

Held first reading of Junior High/High School Health Course of Study (Revision).

Human Resources

Approved certified resignations and employments of teachers, a volunteer, a summer school substitute, reading tutors, substitute teachers, building supplemental contracts, athletic supplemental contracts, SLP Internship Program, and 18 additional hours for previously approved Eagle Explorer teachers.

Approve classified resignation and employment of secretaries, IEP teacher aide, substitute aides, a secretary, and a custodian.

Special Announcement

Jeff Johnson reported that the district expects to receive all final permits for the ENTIRE high school. Now, on September 7th, the district will be opening the main entry addition along with the remainder of the school. Mr. Johnson commended the hard work of the district team and Turner Construction for getting the project finished ahead of schedule.

Next Regular Board of Education Meeting, September 16, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. at Smith Elementary, 1052 Jer-Les Drive.