

# MILFORD

## BOARD OF EDUCATION NEWS

January 2019

The Milford Board of Education met on January 17, 2019 at the Milford School District Administrative Offices.

### Presentations

#### Student Artwork of the Month

Mr. Dan Yeager, Director of Fine Arts and Activities, recognized the following student artists from Boyd E. Smith Elementary and their art teacher April Cooper.

- Troy Watkins, grade 6
- Emmett Derrig, grade 5
- Tyler Harpster, grade 4
- Anna Jordan, grade 3
- Nora Jasper, grade 2



#### Board Recognition Month

January is school board recognition month. Mrs.



House recognized Milford's school Board members for their service to the district.

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#### Milford Board of Education

President	George Lucas-15 years of service
Vice President	Debbie Marques-12 years of service
Member	Andrea Brady-9 years service
Member	Chris Hamm-1 year of service
Member	Dave Yockey-17 years of service

#### Student Council Representatives

Maddie Atwell and Caleb Cambron reported that MHS Student Council is planning several dances and bringing back the Winter Dance on February 23. They are also planning the annual Special Needs Dance for April 23, and the high school prom on April 27.

#### Public Participation

None

#### Treasurer's Report

Mr. Brian Rabe



The Board approved:

- Financial reports for the month ending December 31, 2018.
- Approval of Classified Supervisors' Salary Schedule
- Approval of Superintendent as the Compliance Officer for Credit Card Accounts and Usage
- Approval of Resolution of Necessity for determining to proceed with Bond Issue for the election to be held on the seventh day of May 2019. This is the final resolution the Board needed to approve to place a 4.7 mill bond issue on the May 7, 2019 election.

Mrs. House reviewed the need for the Bond issue and the proposed facilities plan:

- Build a middle school (grades 6-8) to replace the current Milford Junior High School.
- Add new 1,000 seat auditorium shared by MJHS/MHS to better accommodate student enrollment.
- Replace athletic facilities displaced by construction.
- Upgrade and complete stadium renovation.
- Convert current MHS auditorium to new learning commons/media center.
- Install new roof on MHS.
- Replace high school HVAC/air handling system.
- Create new learning areas within the high school.
- Upgrade MHS gymnasium bleachers and floors.

Mrs. House shared the academic benefits of a grade 6-8 middle school including the ability to have more equity for all 6th-grade programs throughout the district. The new grade alignment will also open up space in the elementary schools for the all-day kindergarten programs and space to move the preschool to two different elementary schools.

## Superintendent's Items

Mrs. Nancy House



### Items for Approval

2019-2020 Milford Extended Day Program and Milford Preschool Parent Handbooks

### Informational items

First reading of the following policies: Nondiscrimination, Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex/Sexual Harassment, and Credit Cards.

### Presentation: School Start Time Study

Mrs. House shared highlights from the school start time study completed last school year by the Business Advisory Council. She shared the compelling studies and scientific evidence that support a later start time for teenagers. She also shared background data showing the complexity of implementing a later start time in Milford because of the size of the district and the \$2 million annual increase in the cost of transportation.

The district will continue to look for strategies, solutions, and cost-effective ways to provide creative solutions to ease the burden of early start times. For example, an online elective course will be offered to qualifying juniors and seniors for first bell in the 2019-2020 school year.

Mrs. House commended the BAC who played a critical role in the important step in educating the board and community about teens and sleep deprivation.



### Business and Operations

Mr. Jeff Johnson

No business to report

## Human Resources

Mr. John Spieser



The Board approved the following:

- Certified and classified staff hiring recommendations and resignations.
- Stipend for seven certified employees for mentoring students from various colleges and universities.

- Two Mental Health Interventionists for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year for Mulberry and Meadowview Elementaries.
- Athletic and extracurricular activities supplemental contract recommendations.
- Volunteers for the 2018-2019 school year.

## Curriculum and Instruction

Dr. Jill Hollandsworth  
Mr. Paul Daniels



The Board approved:

- Out of state field trip: Junior States of America Club, Washington, D.C., February 15 - 17, 2019
- Curriculum pay not to exceed 30 hours for a teacher to plan and implement course offerings at Milford High School.

### Presentation

Mr. Daniels spoke about the changes and additions to the course selection at Milford High School and Junior High School for 2019-2020. Forty-four changes have been made to the course offerings at the high school alone without adding staff.

- Two new Advanced Placement classes will be offered at Milford High School: AP Computer Science and AP Physics 1 - Algebra-Based. The high school already offers AP Computer Science Principles and AP Physics Calculus-Based and will continue to do so.
- A new blended course on financial literacy will be offered.
- New electives have been added in science and fine arts including Oceanography, Forensics, Human Genetics, Sculpture 2, and Printmaking 2 to allow for student exploration of interests while still in high school.
- A new STEM investigations class will be added at Milford Junior High School. The curriculum will consist of design thinking, biomedical engineering, mathematics, and computer science.

### Future Meeting

February 21, 2019 – 7:00 p.m.

Milford Schools Administrative Offices  
1099 State Route 131, Milford, OH 45150

### Executive Session

The Board went into Executive Session to discuss the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual. No action was taken.