

**MILAN AREA SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, December 18, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Milan Area Schools Board of Education was called to order in the Milan Area Schools District Boardroom located at 100 Big Red Drive, Milan MI, 48160, by President Cislo at 7:00 p.m. on December 11, 2024.

Board Members Present: Cislo, Prior, Faro, Meray, Gutierrez, Burdette

Board Members Absent: Heikka

Signed in Staff: Bryan Girbach, Ryan McMahon, Aaron Shinn, Margaret Durkee

Signed in Guests: Scott Morrell, Kristyn Pierfelice, Jeff Pierfelice, Grant Pierfelice, Bevan Pierfelice, Drew Pierfelice

Pledge of Allegiance

The Oath of Office was ceremoniously performed by President Cislo for our recently appointed Board Member Gabriel Burdette. Gabriel will be serving the remaining term of recently resigned Board Member Betty Rosen-Leacher. The official Oath of Office was performed at an earlier date.

Public Comment: None

Motion by Faro supported by Prior to approve Kristyn Pierfelice as the Milan High School Assistant Principal effective immediately, and furthermore to approve the salary schedule included in Attachment A as an amendment to the Non-Affiliated Salary Schedules approved on November 11, 2024. All Ayes. Carried 6-0

Public Comments: None

Student Board Member Comments: None

Assistant Superintendent Comments were heard on the following topics:

- AI Conference

Superintendent Comments were heard on the following topics:

- Winter Athletics
- Milan Rotary - Milan Area Schools Christmas Basket Program
- Gina Matley - Chief Technology Officer Certification (MSBO)
- Welcome Trustee Burdette
- Holiday Well Wishes

Board Member Comments:

- Cislo indicated that the Board would add a regular agenda item regarding the Superintendent search to keep the community informed of the process, and stated that the

Personnel committee would meet with all bargaining groups beginning in January. He welcomed Mr. Burdette to the Board, and reminded the community about the upcoming Big Red Board Chat on January 22 at 6:30 in Symons Auditorium. Cislo, Faro, and Gutierrez will attend.

- Prior welcomed Mr. Burdette to the Board, and Ms. Pierfelice to the District. She gave updates about the kindergarten concert and swim meet. She also praised the PTO and encouraged the community to get involved by volunteering with the PTO to support our schools. She shared holiday wishes with the community.
- Burdette thanked Mr. Girbach and fellow board members for a warm welcome to the Board, and shared that he has registered for 2 MASB courses to begin his Level 1 certification process.
- Faro welcomed Mr. Burdette to the Board, and Ms. Pierfelice to the District. He shared holiday wishes with the community.
- Gutierrez welcomed Mr. Burdette to the Board and shared appreciation for everyone who applied. She welcome Ms. Pierfelice to the District and thanked administrators for an effective search. She asked parents to get involved in the PTO. She encouraged attendance at the Big Red Board Chats and sharing of input regarding the superintendent search. She shared holiday wishes with the community.
- Meray welcomed Mr. Burdette to the Board, and Ms. Pierfelice to the District. She gave an update about the upcoming production of The Wizard of Oz at MMS and thanked staff and community businesses for their support of a field trip to see “Wicked” at EImagine. She thanked Mancino’s in Saline and the theater for their hosting, and commended students for their excellent representation of our district.
- Cislo introduced Scott Morrell from MASB and thanked him for attending. He shared holiday wishes on behalf of the Board of Education.

Motion by Gutierrez supported by Meray to enter into closed session pursuant to Section 8(1)(a) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act, and upon the request of the employee, for the purpose of conducting a periodic personnel evaluation. All Ayes. Carried 6-0

Time entered closed session 7:23 p.m.

Time returned to open session 9:17 p.m.

Motion by Prior supported by Gutierrez to rate Superintendent Bryan Girbach as effective for the 2024-2025 school year. All Ayes. Carried 5-0 Abstention by Burdette

Time of Adjournment: 9:18 p.m