

**Milton School Committee Minutes**  
**Via Remote Access**  
**October 12, 2022**

Committee Present: Chair, Ada Rosmarin, Vice Chair, Dr. Elizabeth Carroll, Beverly Ross Denny, Dr. Celina Miranda, Anna Varghese, Betty White

Staff Present: Amy Dexter, Assistant Superintendent for Business; Dr. Garth McKinney, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Human Resources

Absent: Janet Sheehan, Acting Superintendent

1. **Call to order** - 7pm
2. **Approve October 12, 2022 Agenda**  
Updated
3. **Superintendent's Update** - Assistant Superintendent Dr. Garth McKinney
  - Milton High School Community Service Day was a huge success
  - SAT/PSAT Testing took place at the High School
    - Students were able to participate in the PSAT's and SAT's at no charge thanks to the Copeland Foundation
    - Freshman had the option participated in Digital Citizenship Day
    - Reminder to look at the important dates on the school calendar
- a. Discussion and Vote of Interim Assistant Superintendent for Business

Chair Rosmarin

- On behalf of the School Committee we would like to congratulate Amy Dexter on her new position as Director of Finance for the Town of Milton
- We wish Amy well
- Assistant Superintendent Dexter played an integral role with our central office team at the Milton Public Schools
- Thanked Amy Dexter for all she has done for the Milton Public Schools and look forward to continuing our relationship with the town

Chair Rosmarin

- Need to vote tonight to appoint an Interim Assistant Superintendent for Business
- Dr. Glenn Pavlicek has graciously agreed to return to his position at the Milton Public Schools
- Express our gratitude and appreciation to Dr. Pavlicek

Chair Rosmarin made a motion to appoint Dr. Glenn Pavlicek to Interim Assistant Superintendent for Business.

Second: Ms. White

Roll Call Vote: 6-0-0

Assistant Superintendent Dexter

- Thanked the School Committee and Milton Public Schools for their support
- b. Pierce Middle School Site Council Presentation - presentation link on MPS website
  - i. Principal Dr. William Fish and site council team

Chair Rosmarin

- Thanked the Site Council Team for the presentation and for all their work at Pierce Middle School
- c. Strategic Metrics Team Update - Dr. Garth McKinney
  - Have met twice over the past two weeks
  - On track to present to the School Committee on 10/26/2022

**4. Citizen Speak (Policy BEDH-15 Minutes)**

None

**5. Finance Subcommittee Report - Member White**

- a. DESE FY22 End of Year Financial Report
  - Review the FY22 End of the Year Report that Amy Dexter prepared
  - Need to vote on the report this evening (was sent out to School Committee)
  - Two areas that changed are the Special Education Expenses are up and Utilities have increased

Member White made a motion to approve the DESE FY22 End of the Year Financial Report.

Second: Dr. Miranda

Roll Call Vote: 6-0-0

b. Approval of Vendor Warrants

Member White made a motion to approve Vendor Warrant #11 dated September 29, 2022 in the amount of \$422,320.89.

Member White made a motion to approve Vendor Warrant #13 dated October 13, 2022 in the amount of \$294,381.52.

Second: Member Ross Denny

Roll Call Vote: 6-0-0

Member White

- Select Board started their Finance Sub Committee meetings with other departments in the Schools
- Discussed the timing of the meetings to help with schedules, variety of times (morning and offer remote as well)
- Plan for the next year's budget
  - Noted from the budget from last year that the Town Meeting approved, there has been an increase from the state an amount close to \$388,000
  - The Town Administrator talked about the contract for gas, it has to be renewed and the prices have doubled, that money may need to be put aside for the increase of utility cost
  - Will keep School Committee updated as more discussions take place

**6. Policy Subcommittee Report - Dr. Carroll**

- a. Second Reading, Policy AC, Non-Discrimination including Harassment and Retaliation
- b. Second Reading, Policy AC-R, Non Discrimination including Harassment and Retaliation
- c. Second Reading Policy GBA, Equal Employment Opportunity
- d. Second Reading, Policy GCF, Professional Staff Hiring
- e. Second Reading Policy JB, Equal Educational Opportunities
- f. Second Reading, Policy JFBB, School Choice
- g. Second Reading, Policy JIC, Student Discipline
- h. Second Reading, Policy JICA, Student Dress

Dr. Carroll

- These policies have been updated in accordance of recommendations from the MASC (Mass Association of School Committees)
- Stay aligned with updated state and federal guidelines
- First Readings took place at the last School Committee meeting

Chair Rosmarin

- JIC, Student Discipline
  - Will the School Committee be approving this evening and then receive updates and changes at a later time?

Dr. Carroll

- This evening School Committee will be approving recommendations for the updates that keep us in compliance with state law
- Will continue to discuss updates to the JIC, Student Discipline Policy over the next few weeks

Dr. Carroll made a motion to approve the Second Reading, Policy AC, Non-Discrimination including Harassment and Retaliation.

Second: Member White

Roll Call Vote: 6-0-0

Dr. Carroll made a motion to approve the Second Reading, Policy AC-R, Non Discrimination including Harassment and Retaliation.

Second: Member White

Roll Call Vote: 6-0-0

Dr. Carroll made a motion to approve the Second Reading Policy GBA, Equal Employment Opportunity.

Second: Member White

Roll Call Vote: 6-0-0

Dr. Carroll made a motion to approve the Second Reading, Policy GCF, Professional Staff Hiring.

Second: Dr. Miranda

Roll Call Vote: 6-0-0

Dr. Carroll made a motion to approve the Second Reading Policy JB, Equal Educational Opportunities.

Second: Dr. Miranda

Roll Call Vote: 6-0-0

Dr. Carroll made a motion to approve the Second Reading, Policy JFBB, School Choice.

Second: Member White

Roll Call Vote: 6-0-0

Dr. Carroll made a motion to approve the Second Reading, Policy JIC, Student Discipline.

Second: Member White

Roll Call Vote: 6-0-0

Dr. Carroll made a motion to approve the Second Reading, Policy JICA, Student Dress.

Second: Dr. Miranda

Roll Call Vote: 6-0-0

Dr. Carroll

- Policy Sub Committee met yesterday
- Helpful insights into the ways the Policy JIC intersects with the work to support the students in Special Education and Restorative Practices
- Fortunate to have Director Claire Galloway-Jones to provide guidance and expertise around the DEI
- Restarted the conversation that began last school year around how we can update the Student Discipline Policy so that it aligns with our current practices as a district
- This Policy has not been updated since 2004
- Work mentioned that you heard in the Pierce Presentation this evening to address the disproportionalities was part of the conversation in our policy subcommittee meeting yesterday
- Feel optimistic about working together to ensure our policies are supporting practices in place
- Redline Policy maybe ready to be shared at a the November 16, 2022 meeting

## **7. Next Meeting Agenda Items**

Updated

Chair Rosmarin made a motion to adjourn from the School Committee Meeting.

Second: Member Ross Denny

Roll Call Vote: 6-0-0

Meeting at 9:05pm