

**Miller Township School District #210**  
**3197 East 28<sup>th</sup> Road**  
**Marseilles, IL 61341**  
**Regular Board of Education Meeting**  
**October 21, 2015**

**Agenda**

- I. Call to Order the Regular Monthly Meeting / Roll Call
- II. Additions to Agenda
- III. Consent Agenda
  - a. Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting of September 23, 2015
  - b. Approval of September 2015 Treasurer’s Reports
  - c. Approval of October 2015 Paysheet
- IV. Communications
- I. Community Input
- II. Board/Administrative Reports
  - a. Superintendent Reports
    - 1. Second Reading of Board Policy Updates
    - 2. IASB Annual Conference
    - 3. ISBE Audit of Financial Statements
    - 4. Information on Illinois Central Bus Contract
  - b. Principal’s Reports
- III. Action Items
  - a. Adopt a Resolution declaring the intention to issue Working Cash Fund Bonds for the purpose of increasing the Working Cash Fund of the District
  - b. Approve Title I & Title II Grants for FY2016
  - c. Approve Board Policy Updates
  - d. Approve Snow Removal Contract for the 2015 – 2016 Winter Season
  - e. Approve Hiring of Girls Volleyball Coach
- IV. Closed Session – To discuss pending litigations, salary negotiations, personnel, student issues, and previous closed session minutes not yet released and verbatim closed session minutes that are eighteen months or older.
- V. Return to Open Session
- VI. Action Taken as Result of Closed Session
- VII. Other Business
- VIII. Adjournment

**MILLER TWP. COMM. CONS. SCHOOL  
DISTRICT #210  
MARSEILLES, IL 61341  
October 21, 2015**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education, District #210, was held on October 21, 2015 and called to order by Dan Mitchell, President at 6:35 PM.

PRESENT: Griffin, Mitchell, Roalson, Robson, Straith  
Long arrived at 6:45 PM

ABSENT: Hogue

ALSO PRESENT: David Hermann, Superintendent  
Mark Giertz, Principal  
Michele Armstrong, Recording Secretary  
Darald Nelson, Treasurer

VISITORS: Beth Richardson, Bob Cowie, Steven Hemmerlein, Mark Dunst

The September 2015 Treasurer's report was given with the following cash fund balances:

EDUCATION:	\$ 647,725.43	IMRF:	90,350.05
O & M:	150,708.06	WORKING CASH:	25,862.33
FIRE SAFETY:	139,061.95	BOND & INTEREST:	435,371.15
TRANSPORTATION:	143,272.47	TORT FUND:	144,312.25
		TOTAL FUND BALANCE:	\$1,776,663.69

Motion by Griffin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Straith to approve the regular meeting minutes of September 23, 2015, closed session minutes of September 23, 2015, the September 2015 Treasurer's Reports and the October 2015 Paysheet

Roll Call: Yeas: Griffin, Robson, Roalson, Straith, Mitchell

Nays: Absent: Hogue, Long

Motion carried: 5 – 0

Community input: Bob Cowie addressed the Board on the need to purchase Promethean Boards for the three upstairs classrooms as the Star Boards that are currently in the rooms are older models and do not work with the software installed on the teachers computers after the up grade that was done over the summer. Community Club has generously offered to pay for two of the boards plus shipping. He would like the District to purchase the third board using funds from the selling of unused computer equipment.

Motion by Straith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Roalson to go ahead with the purchase of the third board, with the cost not to exceed \$2,000 and to use the funds raised from the selling of unused computer equipment,

Roll cal: Yeas: Roalson, Long, Straith, Mitchell, Robson, Griffin

Nays: Absent: Hogue

Motion carried: 6 – 0

Superintendent Hermann reported to the Board:

He had received a letter from the Illinois Department of Public Health regarding a new law stating that they will no longer be able to test the school drinking water for Nitrates. The District would need to find another company to send water for testing.

A FOIA request he had received and responded to requesting salary information.

A letter he received from the North America Central School Bus, the District's bus transportation company. The letter stated that due to a mistake made by the Illinois Central Bus Company, in billing during the 2014 -2015 school year the District was under charged \$35,000. The CEO Steve Hemmerlein and Mark Dunst were present and explained the mistake was with the miles per route cost. The company is going to waive the cost but informed the Board the error had been corrected and the District will see the increase in miles per route in the 2015 – 2016 billing period. He informed the Board that the District has the opportunity to extend the present contract for two more years at the current rate. It was the consensus of the Board to investigate options of extending the current contract, going out for bids for bus service or purchasing buses and hiring their own drivers. Further discussion and a decision on whether or not to extend the current contract will take place at the November meeting.

A second reading of proposed changes to Board Policy was conducted.

Board members were reminded that the Annual ISAB Conference will be held on Nov. 20 – 22.

Principal Giertz reported:

Parent/Teacher Conferences are set for November 5 & 6.

Community Club will host their annual Halloween Party and Jr. High Dance on Friday, November 30<sup>th</sup>.

Teachers have attended the Common Core Workshops addressing K – 8 Writing.

On November 13<sup>th</sup> a Veterans Day Program will be held in the gym honoring local Vets. A retired Vet will be present to speak to students. Everyone is invited to attend.

The 8<sup>th</sup> grade class will again be taking a Field Trip to the State Capitol in Springfield.

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball team took 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the Oglesby Tournament and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade took 1<sup>st</sup> place. The 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Team went undefeated for the season.

He had received a request from a teacher for a maternity leave of absence.

Motion by Long, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Griffin to grant Jennifer Gibson a maternity leave to be covered with partial use of her sick days and the remainder with unpaid days,

Roll call: Yeas: Griffin, Long, Roalson, Mitchell, Robson, Straith

Nays: Absent: Hogue

Motion carried: 6 – 0

Motion by Robson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Long to adopt a Resolution declaring the intention to issue Working Cash Fund Bonds for the purpose of increasing the Working Cash Fund of the District

Roll Call: Yeas: Mitchell, Griffin, Straith, Robson, Long, Roalson,

Nays: Absent: Hogue

Motion carried: 6 – 0

Motion by Griffin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Roalson to approve application for the Title I & Title II Grant for FY 2016.

Roll call: Yeas: Long, Robson, Mitchell, Straith, Griffin, Roalson

Nays: Absent: Hogue

Motion carried: 6 – 0

Motion by Griffin , 2<sup>nd</sup> by Straith to approve Board Policy updates to policies: 2160 Board Attorney, 2:250 Access to District's Public Records, 2:260 Uniform Grievance Procedure, 3:40 Superintendent, 3:50 Administrative Personnel Other Than the Superintendent, 3:60 Administrative Responsibility of the Building Principal, 4:45 Insufficient Fund Checks and Debit Recovery, 4:50 Payment Procedures, 5:40 Communicable and Chronic Infectious Disease, 5:50 Drug and Alcohol – Free Workplace; Tobacco, Prohibition, 5:120 Ethics and Conduct, 5:170 Copyright, 5:270 Employment At-Will Compensation, and Assignment, 5:290 Employment Termination and Suspensions, 5:330 Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, and Leaves, 6:15 School Accountability, 7:10 Equal Educational Opportunities, 7:40 Nonpublic School Students, Including Parochial and Home-Schooled, 7:260 Exemption from Physical Activities, 7:310 Restrictions on Publications and Written or Electronic Material, 7:325 Student Fundraising Activities, 8:10 Connection with the Community, 8:80 Gift to the District as presented.

Roll Call: Yeas: Roalson, Robson, Long, Griffin, Straith, Mitchell

Nays: Absent: Hogue Motion carried: 6 – 0

Motion by Straith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Roalson to hire HC Building & Lawn Service LLC for snow removal and salt application on the parking lots for the 2015 – 2016 winter season.

Roll Call: Yeas: Roalson, Long, Straith, Griffin, Robson, Mitchell

Nays: Absent: Hogue Motion carried: 6 – 0

Motion by Griffin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Straith to extend a contract to Tracy Raikes as Girls Volleyball coach for the 2016 season.

Roll call: Yeas: Robson, Mitchell, Roalson, Long, Griffin, Straith

Nays: Absent: Hogue Motion carried: 6 – 0

Motion by Long, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Griffin to enter into closed session at 7:55 P.M. for the purpose of discussing personnel, student issues, salary negotiations, and pending litigations,.

Roll Call: Yeas: Griffin, Straith, Robson, Long, Roalson, Mitchell

Nays: Absent: Hogue Motion carried: 6 – 0

Motion by Roalson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Straith to return to regular session at 8:05 P.M.

Roll call: Yeas: Straith, Roalson, Long, Mitchell, Robson, Griffin

Nays: Absent: Hogue Motion carried: 6 – 0

Motion by Long, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Roalson to release the closed session minutes of the following dates as they contain no information that must remain confidential.

September 24, 2014	February 18, 2015	April 30, 2015
October 15, 2014	March 4, 2015	May 20, 2015
November 19, 2014	April 15, 2015 (1)	July 23, 2015
January 21, 2015	April 15, 2015 (2)	August 19, 2015

Roll Call: Yeas: Robson, Roalson, Griffin, Straith, Mitchell, Long

Nays: Absent: Hogue Motion carried: 6 – 0

Motion by Griffin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Straith to destroy all verbatim closed session minutes, audio tapes, prior to April 2014 due to the fact that 18 months have passed since being made and the written minutes of the closed sessions have been approved by the Board of Education.

Roll call: Yeas: Straith, Roalson, Long, Mitchell, Robson, Griffin

Nays: Absent: Hogue Motion carried: 6 – 0

Motion by Long, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Straith to not release the following closed session minutes at this time due to the need for confidentiality to still exist to all or part of the minutes:

February 7, 1989	January 20, 1995	February 21, 1995
March 27, 1995	April 18, 1995	June 17, 1997
October 21, 1997	January 20, 1998	February 17, 1998
April 21, 1998	June 16, 1998	October 20, 1998
January 18, 2000	May 16, 2000	May 29, 2002
May 29, 2002 (1 & 2)	February 10, 2003	February 25, 2003
March 18, 2003	April 8, 2003	February 18, 2004
January 18, 2006	February 15, 2006	

Roll Call: Yeas: Griffin, Straith, Robson, Long, Roalson, Mitchell

Nays:

Absent: Hogue

Motion carried: 6 – 0

Motion by Long, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Roalson to adjourn at 8:10 PM.

Yeah Vote

Absent: Hogue

Motion carried: 6 – 0

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Board President

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Board Secretary