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**AGENDA FOR MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2022 AT 6:00 PM
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

*The Milford Board of Education will hold this meeting in-person in the Milford High School Auditorium.
Public comment will be held in-person only.*

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It is anticipated that the board will open a regular session meeting and adjourn into executive session during the beginning portion of this meeting for the reasons identified below, then adjourn into a regular session meeting at approximately 7:00 pm.

1. Call to Order by President

2. Roll Call

_____ Dr. Adam Brownstein

_____ Mr. Matt Bucher

_____ Mr. Scott Fitzgerald

_____ Mr. David Vezmar

_____ Mrs. Jean Wylie

_____ Mr. Jason Miller

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Approval of Minutes

A. Regular Meeting Minutes for August 22, 2022 and September 2, 2022 Action Item

5. Adjournment to Executive Session Action Item

A. Personnel Matters – See 29 Del. C § 10004(b)(9)

1. Discussion of the personnel report and the competencies of staff recommended for hire

6. Return to Open Session (anticipated at 7:00 pm) Action Item

7. Personnel – Dr. Jason Peel

A. Personnel Action Item

8. **Changes to Agenda**
9. **Public Comment**
10. **Superintendent's Report**
 - A. Beginning of the School Year
 - B. School Board Area B Appointment Candidates Address the Board
11. **Board Discussion**
 - A. Area B Board Member Appointment **Action Item**
12. **Business – Dr. Sara Croce**
 - A. Monthly Revenue and Expenditure Reports as of August 31, 2022 **Action Item**
13. **Instruction and Student Programs – Dr. Bridget Amory**
 - A. Field Trips **Action Item**
14. **Buildings and Grounds – Mr. Mike Sharp**
 - A. MMS Project Update
 - B. District Projects
15. **Board Discussion**
 - A. DSBA Updates
 - B. Introduction of New Draft Board Policy
 1. Draft Policy 4222 Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) – First Read
 - C. Recommended Revised Draft Board Policies for Action
 1. Revised Board Policy 3303 Student Fees – Child Nutrition Program **Action Item**
 2. Revised Board Policy 3304 Child Nutrition Program **Action Item**
16. **Adjournment **Action Item****



MILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 22, 2022

Board Members in Attendance	
Mr. Jason Miller, President	Mr. David Vezmar
Mr. Scott Fitzgerald, Vice President	Mrs. Jean Wylie
Dr. Adam Brownstein	Dr. Kevin Dickerson, Executive Secretary
Mr. Matt Bucher	

The Regular Meeting of the Milford Board of Education was called to order by President Mr. Miller at 6:02 PM on Monday evening, August 22, 2022.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION MADE BY MRS. WYLIE/SECONDED BY MR. MR. BUCHER to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes for August 1, 2022 and August 12, 2022. **Motion passed unanimously.**

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION MADE BY MR. FITZGERALD/SECONDED BY DR. BROWNSTEIN to adjourn into Executive Session at 6:04 PM. **Motion passed unanimously.**

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

MOTION MADE BY MR. VEZMAR/SECONDED BY MR. BUCHER to adjourn Executive Session at 7:08 PM. **Motion passed unanimously.**

PERSONNEL – Dr. Peel

Personnel Report

MOTION MADE BY MR. FITZGERALD/SECONDED BY MRS. WYLIE to accept the Personnel Report as presented during Executive Session.

CHANGES TO AGENDA

Request by Dr. Dickerson to make 16B3 Revised Board Policy 5414 K-12 Dress Code an action item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Morgan spoke in support of appointing Jennifer Massotti to the Board.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Dickerson thanked the administration, staff and specialists for their hard work over the summer in preparing for the opening of the new school year.

MMS Project – Milford 11 Historical Marker

Delaware Public Archives will remove the Milford 11 Historical Marker from the Milford Middle School soon and store in their warehouse until the Milford Middle School Project construction is complete. Delaware Public Archives also recommended having the marker recast in the blue and gold design before it is replaced. Other memorial stones and plaques will be removed before demolition as well.

State Guidance for COVID Cases in Schools

Positive COVID cases will continue to be reported to the Lead School Nurse, Ms. Yvonne White. Those testing positive will need to isolate for five days from either the date of when symptoms begin or the date of the positive test, whichever is earlier, and be encouraged to wear a mask for five additional days. Close

contacts, regardless of vaccination status, no longer need to isolate and will be encouraged to wear a mask for ten days. Testing is no longer being conducted in schools.

Bigger, Faster, Stronger Presentation – Mr. Quinn Abbott

Mr. Abbott presented on the success of the Bigger, Faster, Stronger program which served 125 students this past summer, as well as MCA students during the past school year. The goal of the program is to make a positive impact on Milford students, improve academic & athletic performance and to provide students with tools for sustained success.

School Board Area B Appointment Candidates Address the Board

Mr. Miller invited the candidates to the podium to address the Board to respond to the following questions:

1. Why would you like to be part of the Milford Board of Education?
2. What background, experiences and/or qualifications would you add to the Milford Board of Education?
3. What do you believe a School Board member's role should be within a district-community?
4. What other relevant information would you like to communicate with the Board to best support your candidacy for the temporary appointment?

Ms. Sara Kate Hammer and Ms. Jennifer Massotti addressed the Board for the temporary Area B Board seat.

Nomination of Area B Board Member:

Mr. Vezmar nominated Sara Kate Hammer, seconded by Mrs. Wylie:

Vote: Dr. Brownstein – no	Mr. Vezmar – yes
Mr. Bucher – no	Mrs. Wylie – yes
Mr. Fitzgerald – no	Mr. Miller – yes

Motion did not pass (3 yes, 3 no)

Dr. Brownstein nominated Jennifer Massotti, seconded by Mr. Bucher:

Vote: Dr. Brownstein – yes	Mr. Vezmar – no
Mr. Bucher – yes	Mrs. Wylie – no
Mr. Fitzgerald – yes	Mr. Miller – abstain

Motion did not pass (3 yes, 2 no, 1 abstain)

Table Area B Board Member Appointment

MOTION MADE BY MR. FITZGERALD/SECONDED BY MR. VEZMAR to table the Area B Board Member appointment until the next board meeting.

Vote: Dr. Brownstein – yes	Mr. Vezmar – yes
Mr. Bucher – no	Mrs. Wylie – yes
Mr. Fitzgerald – yes	Mr. Miller – yes

Motion passed (6 yes, 1 no)

BUSINESS – Dr. Croce

Revenue and Expenditure Report

MOTION MADE BY MR. FITZGERALD/SECONDED BY MR. BUCHER to approve the Revenue and Expenditure Reports as of July 31, 2022. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Tax Exemption Request – 2022-1

MOTION MADE BY MR. VEZMAR/SECONDED BY MR. BUCHER to deny tax exemption 2022-1. **Motion passed unanimously.**

98% Mental Health Funding Waiver

MOTION MADE BY MR. BUCHER/SECONDED BY MRS. WYLIE to approve the 98% Mental Health Funding Waiver. **Motion passed unanimously**

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS – Mr. Sharp

MMS Project Update

The MMS Project is on-going. Environmental testing began on Friday.

District Projects

The MHS gym is on track for the initial work to be finished by the end of the week. The turf installation in Briggs Stadium is on-going and should be completed by the target date. The lower turf installation is not on-time. MHS is still using the established modulars and will be soon upgrading the interior and steps.

INSTRUCTION AND STUDENT PROGRAMS – Dr. Bridget Amory

Strategic Planning Update

The district is currently working with Dr. Pete Leida from Insight Education Group on developing an updated strategic plan for MSD.

MCA Immersion Program

Dr. Amory provided information on the district's immersion program's transition into MCA. The first cohort of elementary Spanish immersion students are transitioning to 6th grade for the upcoming school year.

MHS Patient Care Assistant Program of Study

Dr. Amory presented regarding the Patient Care Program of Study, which is part of the Allied Health pathway, partnership with DelTech. The two-year program of study currently has 16 juniors in the program.

Field Trip Approval for MCA FFA Conference

MOTION MADE BY MR. VEZMAR/SECONDED BY DR. BROWNSTEIN to approve the MCA FFA Conference Field Trip. **Motion passed.**

Vote: Dr. Brownstein – yes Mr. Vezmar – yes
 Mr. Bucher -yes Mrs. Wylie – yes
 Mr. Fitzgerald – abstain Mr. Miller – yes
 Motion passed (6 yes, 1 abstain)

BOARD DISCUSSION

DSBA UPDATES

There was no DSBA update.

INTRODUCTION OF RECOMMENDED DRAFT REVISIONS OF BOARD POLICIES FOR READ ONLY

- Dr. Croce presented Revised Board Policy 3303 Student Fee – Child Nutrition
- Dr. Croce presented Revised Board Policy 3304 Child Nutrition Program Policy

Motion to Make Revised Board Policy 5415 K-12 Dress Code an Action Item

MOTION MADE BY MR. FITZGERALD/SECONDED BY MR. VEZMAR to approve making Revised Board Policy 5415 K-12 Dress Code Policy an action item. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Revised Board Policy 5415 K-12 Dress Code Policy

MOTION MADE BY MR. VEZMAR/SECONDED BY MRS. WYLIE to approve Revised Board Policy 5415 K-12 Dress Code. **Motion passed unanimously.**

RECOMMENDED DRAFT BOARD POLICIES FOR ACTION

Revised Board Policy 4309D Limited Contract Position

MOTION MADE BY MR. BUCHER/SECONDED BY MR. FITZGERALD to approve Revised Board Policy 4309D Limited Contract Position. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Revised Board Policy 4330 Employee of the Year Awards

MOTION MADE BY MR. VEZMAR/SECONDED BY MRS. WYLIE to approve Revised Board Policy 4330 Employee of the Year Awards. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Revised Board Policy 6201 Promotion Policy

MOTION MADE BY MR. VEZMAR/SECONDED BY MRS. WYLIE to approve Revised Board Policy 6201 Promotion Policy. **Motion passed unanimously.**

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION MADE BY MR. BUCHER/SECONDED BY MRS. WYLIE that the Regular Meeting of the Milford Board of Education held on Monday, August 22, 2022, adjourn @ 8:18 PM. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Kevin Dickerson, Executive Secretary

Theresa Blocker, Recording Secretary

MILFORD SCHOOL
DISTRICT BOARD OF
EDUCATION REGULAR
BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 2, 2022

Board Members in Attendance	
Mr. Jason Miller, President	Dr. Adam Brownstein
Mr. Scott Fitzgerald, Vice President	Mrs. Jean Wylie
Mr. Matt Bucher	Dr. Kevin Dickerson, Executive Secretary

The Regular Meeting of the Milford Board of Education was called to order by President Mr. Miller at 8:00 AM on Friday morning, September 2, 2022.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE

SESSION

MOTION MADE BY MR. FITZGERALD/SECONDED BY DR. BROWNSTEIN to adjourn into Executive Session. **Motion passed unanimously.**

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

MOTION MADE BY MRS. WYLIE/SECONDED BY MR. FITZGERALD to adjourn Executive Session. **Motion passed unanimously.**

PERSONNEL – Dr. Jason Peel

Personnel Report

MOTION MADE BY DR. BROWNSTEIN/SECONDED BY MR. BUCHER to accept the Personnel Report as presented during Executive Session. **Motion passed unanimously.**

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION MADE BY DR. BROWNSTEIN/SECONDED BY MR. FITZGERALD that the Regular Meeting of the Milford Board of Education held on Friday, September 2, 2022, adjourn. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Kevin Dickerson, Executive Secretary

Trish Gerken, Recording Secretary

MILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
Fiscal Year 2023 Monthly Revenue Report
As of August 31, 2022
16.7% of the Fiscal Year completed

	Preliminary		
	FY 2023	Actual	%
REVENUE SOURCE	Budget	to date	received
STATE FUNDS			
Formula Salaries	32,154,989.22	28,934,394.94	89.98%
Cafeteria Salaries	636,709.00	572,780.00	89.96%
Division II, All Other Costs	937,653.00	155,123.00	16.54%
Division II, All Other Costs - VOC	106,221.00	79,666.00	75.00%
Division II, Energy	810,530.00	729,477.00	90.00%
Division III, Equalization	5,900,596.00	5,251,449.00	89.00%
State Transportation	3,252,472.92	1,638,650.00	50.38%
Homeless Transportation	474,933.00	237,467.00	50.00%
Foster Care Transportation	65,561.00	39,781.00	60.68%
Transportation Supply	1,000.00	1,000.00	100.00%
Related Services Cash Option	15,000.00	82,939.00	552.93%
Drivers' Education	19,305.00	17,375.00	90.00%
Unique Alternatives	558,364.63	279,182.00	50.00%
Professional Development	-	21,377.00	
Delaware Sustainment Fund	825,605.00	743,045.00	90.00%
Technology Block Grant	110,493.00	99,444.00	90.00%
World Language Expansion	30,000.00	-	0.00%
Education Opportunity Grant	1,231,277.00	658,262.00	53.46%
Education Opportunity Grant - Mental Health	286,203.00	231,246.00	80.80%
Student Success Block Grant - Reading	330,148.00	334,648.00	101.36%
Child Safety Awareness	-	4,912.00	
Substitute Reimbursement- Paid Parental Leave	-	33,074.00	
Minor Capital Improvements	409,948.00	-	0.00%
Major Capital Improvements	-	-	
TOTAL STATE FUNDS	48,157,008.77	40,145,291.94	83.36%
LOCAL FUNDS			
Current Expense (tax rate)	9,061,884.00	79,484.04	0.88%
Current Expense (capitations)	200.00	-	0.00%
Athletics	28,000.00	-	0.00%
Interest	-	-	
Building Rental	1,500.00	-	0.00%
Other Local Revenue	18,500.00	6,868.95	37.13%
Sol - Systems	1,500.00	-	0.00%
Energy Curtailment	15,000.00	-	0.00%
CSCR	15,000.00	-	0.00%
Indirect Costs	75,000.00	32,774.03	43.70%
Cafeteria	2,700,000.00	212,546.41	7.87%
Net Choice Billings	(168,613.38)	-	0.00%
Net Charter Billings	(146,389.20)	-	0.00%
Tuition Billings	(2,100,000.00)	-	0.00%
Social Studies Coalition/Donations	107,000.00	8,000.00	7.48%
Debt Service	1,250,000.00	10,324.24	0.83%
Debt Service - County Impact Fees	78,343.00	-	0.00%
Tuition	2,800,000.00	24,890.01	0.89%
Minor Capital Improvements	273,299.00	2,448.32	0.90%
E-Rate	-	-	
Education Opportunity Match	-	-	
Extra Time Local Match	-	-	
Reading and Match Specialist Match	-	-	
Technology Maintenance Match	-	-	
Major Capital Improvements	-	-	
TOTAL LOCAL FUNDS	14,010,223.42	377,336.00	2.69%
FEDERAL FUNDS			
IDEA Part B	1,207,533.00	-	0.00%
IDEA - Preschool	57,566.00	-	0.00%
Title I	1,935,608.00	-	0.00%
Title II	374,980.00	-	0.00%
Title III English Acquisition	85,388.00	-	0.00%
Perkins	124,470.00	-	0.00%
TOTAL FEDERAL/OTHER FUNDS	3,785,545.00	-	0.00%
GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS	65,952,777.19	40,522,627.94	61.44%

Milford School District
Monthly Report of Expenditures
For the month ended August 31, 2022

Operating Unit	Budget Line	Final Budget			Budget	
		Amount	Encumbered	Expended	Remaining	% Remaining
9180668A	Benjamin Banneker Elementary School	\$ 51,086.70	3,000.00	552.01	\$ 47,534.69	93.05%
9180670A	Evelyn I. Morris Early Childhood Center	\$ 51,050.15	1,740.66	2,626.90	\$ 46,682.59	91.44%
9180672A	Lulu M. Ross Elementary School	\$ 68,236.30	6,795.82	4,137.78	\$ 57,302.70	83.98%
9180673A	Misphillion Elementary School	\$ 54,530.90	4,885.39	3,117.65	\$ 46,527.86	85.32%
9180675A	Milford Central Academy	\$ 111,465.60	8,323.88	10,179.22	\$ 92,962.50	83.40%
9180678A	Milford Senior High School	\$ 142,718.40	3,073.18	10,855.57	\$ 128,789.65	90.24%
99900000	Board Of Ed/District Expenses	\$ 9,000.00	-	-	\$ 9,000.00	100.00%
	School Resource Officer	\$ 188,000.00	3,000.00	-	\$ 185,000.00	98.40%
99900100	Legal Services, Audit and Insurance Premiums	\$ 180,000.00	-	2,212.31	\$ 177,787.69	98.77%
99900300	District Expenditures	\$ 40,000.00	-	3,169.91	\$ 36,830.09	92.08%
	Public Relations and Communication	\$ 40,000.00	-	8,995.00	\$ 31,005.00	77.51%
	Copy Center (District Wide)	\$ 98,500.00	90,771.50	18,154.30	\$ (10,425.80)	-10.58%
	Student Emergency Fund	\$ 4,000.00	-	-	\$ 4,000.00	100.00%
99910100	Superintendent	\$ 1,500.00	442.37	37.63	\$ 1,020.00	68.00%
99920000	World Language Immersion (State Grant)	\$ 30,000.00	-	-	\$ 30,000.00	100.00%
	Student Success Block Grant (Reading)	\$ 330,148.00	-	-	\$ 330,148.00	100.00%
	Opportunity Grant Mental Health	\$ 286,203.00	-	53.70	\$ 286,149.30	99.98%
	Education Opportunity Grant	\$ 1,231,277.00	-	519.97	\$ 1,230,757.03	99.96%
	Summer School	\$ 30,000.00	-	71,184.65	\$ (41,184.65)	-137.28%
	Translators	\$ 20,000.00	-	165.21	\$ 19,834.79	99.17%
	Extra Time Programs	\$ 30,000.00	-	-	\$ 30,000.00	100.00%
	Curriculum and Instruction	\$ 245,000.00	-	-	\$ 245,000.00	100.00%
99920700	Athletics - High School	\$ 170,000.00	42,752.15	9,020.27	\$ 118,227.58	69.55%
	Athletics - Milford Central Academy	\$ 30,000.00	1,415.47	1,359.06	\$ 27,225.47	90.75%
99920800	Driver's Education	\$ 19,305.00	-	1,300.40	\$ 18,004.60	93.26%
99930200	Tuition - Special Services	\$ 584,500.00	-	6,378.05	\$ 578,121.95	98.91%
	Tuition - Special Services - ILC	\$ 315,000.00	577.20	31,594.80	\$ 282,828.00	89.79%
	Unique Alternatives (State Funds)	\$ 558,364.63	-	8,351.07	\$ 550,013.56	174.61%
99930300	Special Services	\$ 49,500.00	31,673.85	6,739.93	\$ 11,086.22	22.40%
	Special Services - State Related Services	\$ 15,000.00	-	-	\$ 15,000.00	100.00%
99940100	Contingencies and One-Time Items	\$ 500,000.00	78,679.95	10,193.00	\$ 411,127.05	82.23%
99940200	Division I/Formula Salaries	\$ 32,154,989.22	-	6,137,962.23	\$ 26,017,026.99	80.91%
99940300	Division II - Vocational	\$ 106,221.00	868.65	1,315.68	\$ 104,036.67	97.94%
99940400	Division III/Local Salaries	\$ 11,690,500.00	-	2,109,139.99	\$ 9,581,360.01	81.96%
	Union agreed Limited Contracts	\$ 388,850.00	-	3,954.80	\$ 384,895.20	98.98%
99940500	Title I	\$ 1,935,608.00	-	-	\$ 1,935,608.00	100.00%
	Title II	\$ 374,980.00	-	-	\$ 374,980.00	100.00%
	Title III	\$ 85,388.00	-	-	\$ 85,388.00	100.00%
	IDEA Part B	\$ 1,207,533.00	-	-	\$ 1,207,533.00	100.00%
	IDEA Preschool	\$ 57,566.00	-	-	\$ 57,566.00	100.00%
	Perkins	\$ 124,470.00	-	-	\$ 124,470.00	100.00%
	Homeless	\$ 10,000.00	-	-	\$ 10,000.00	100.00%
	Other Federal Grants	\$ -	-	-	\$ -	
99940600	Insurance Expense	\$ 113,229.00	-	15,010.00	\$ 98,219.00	86.74%
99940700	Social Studies Coalition/Donations	\$ 107,000.00	10,000.00	-	\$ 97,000.00	90.65%
99940810	Technology Equipment & Repair	\$ 272,800.00	4,605.61	180,919.65	\$ 87,274.74	31.99%
	Technology Block Grant	\$ 110,493.00	-	-	\$ 110,493.00	100.00%
99940900	Tuition Reimbursement - Administration	\$ 15,000.00	-	-	\$ 15,000.00	100.00%
	Tuition Reimbursement	\$ 70,000.00	-	-	\$ 70,000.00	100.00%
99950000	Personnel/Human Resources	\$ 10,000.00	1,240.80	683.76	\$ 8,075.44	80.75%
99960000	Child Nutrition Operations	\$ 2,700,000.00	364,937.26	348,729.82	\$ 1,986,332.92	73.57%
	Cafeteria Salaries	\$ 636,709.00	-	127,731.31	\$ 508,977.69	79.94%
99960100	Facilities Maintenance	\$ 90,000.00	1,861.60	10,290.21	\$ 77,848.19	86.50%
	Custodial Services and Supplies	\$ 90,000.00	-	13,236.75	\$ 76,763.25	85.29%
99960200	Operations and Utilities	\$ 361,500.00	17,395.59	53,660.88	\$ 290,443.53	80.34%
	Energy Division II	\$ 810,530.00	-	-	\$ 810,530.00	100.00%
99960300	State Transportation	\$ 3,252,472.93	-	-	\$ 3,252,472.93	100.00%
	State Homeless Transportation	\$ 474,933.00	-	-	\$ 474,933.00	100.00%
	State Foster Transportation	\$ 65,561.00	-	-	\$ 65,561.00	100.00%
	Transportation Supplies	\$ 1,000.00	-	-	\$ 1,000.00	100.00%
99960400	Transportation Internal Budget (Local)	\$ 23,000.00	899.32	829.68	\$ 21,271.00	92.48%
	Local Activities Transportation	\$ 3,000.00	-	-	\$ 3,000.00	100.00%
	Local Homeless Transportation Match	\$ 52,770.33	-	2,815.20	\$ 49,955.13	94.67%
	Local Transportation Match	\$ 360,926.63	-	-	\$ 360,926.63	100.00%
Total Operating Budget		\$ 63,241,415.79	\$ 678,940.25	\$ 9,217,178.35	\$ 53,345,297.19	84.35%
99970000	Local Debt Service	\$ 1,156,081.49	-	-	\$ 1,156,081.49	100.00%
99970200	Minor Capital Improvements	\$ 683,247.00	-	-	\$ 683,247.00	100.00%
Total Capital Budget		\$ 1,839,328.49	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,839,328.49	100.00%
Grand Total		\$ 65,080,744.28	\$ 678,940.25	\$ 9,217,178.35	\$ 55,184,625.68	84.79%

*Note: Budgets are based on the preliminary budget allocations as voted by the MSD Board of Education
Items highlighted in blue are restricted expenditures. Funds must be used for specific purpose per funding guidelines.*

MILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT FIELD TRIP APPROVAL FORM

(Out-of-State to be submitted to the principal by April 10th for School Board approval for the following school year)

Morris ☐ Banneker ☐ Central Academy ☐ High School ☒ Mispillion ☐ Ross ☐
 In-State ☐ Out-of-State ☒ Overnight ☐

DATE(S) OF TRIP: October 5, 2022 # of School Days missed: 1	TRIP DESTINATION: PA Renaissance Fair	TEACHER(S): Meiklejohn and Keefer
NUMBER OF STUDENTS: 30	CONTENT AREAS: Drama and Choir	GRADE(S): 9-12
1. Instructional Unit Title: Renaissance Era 2. Dates of Instructional Unit: From: Sept. 6, 2023 To: Oct. 5, 2022 3. Will technology be used in preparation for this trip? (Check One) Internet Virtual Tour Research Video <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Software Other (specify) _____ 4. Relationship of trip to instructional objective(s) (purpose of the trip): Students will create choral and dramatic performances for this trip. They will be scored, critiqued, and receive feedback about their performances. Students will create musical and theatrical performances with the possibilities of creating costumes, staging, and choosing musical content relatable to the Renaissance Era.		Field Trip Cost Transportation: \$800 Meals: \$25 Other expenses (explain): _____ Funding Used: Drama Club & Choir Student Account Individual student expense: \$30 <div style="text-align: right;">\$55 /STUDENT Total Cost</div>
Closest Medical Facility (with address & phone #): ON SITE 2775 Lebanon Rd., Manheim, PA Nurse Initials: <u>CK</u>		
APPROVAL SEQUENCE (indicated by the proper signatures below). Field trips not approved at one level will not advance to the next level (no appeals). Comments: We were last able to attend this event in fall of 2019 and would very much like to participate again.		
PRINCIPAL'S SIGNATURE: <u>[Signature]</u> DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE: <u>[Signature]</u> SUPT'S SIGNATURE: <u>[Signature]</u> <small>For all Out-of-State or overnight field trips, except where a group of students advances in a sequential activity such as a contest, a final cost summary and detailed itinerary must be submitted 30 days prior to the trip.</small>		
12/19/16		

MILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

FIELD TRIP APPROVAL FORM

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Morris ☐
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 Mispillion ☐
 Ross ☐
 In-State ☐
 Out-of-State ☒
 Overnight ☐

DATE(S) OF TRIP: April 21-22, 2023 # of School Days missed: 1	TRIP DESTINATION: Music in the Parks Busch Gardens, Williamsburg, VA	TEACHER(S): Keefer and Smith
NUMBER OF STUDENTS: 130	CONTENT AREAS: Band & Chorus	GRADE(S): 9-12
1. Instructional Unit Title: Music in the Parks 2. Dates of Instructional Unit: From: Feb. 1, 2023 To: April 20, 2023 3. Will technology be used in preparation for this trip? (Check One) Internet Virtual Tour Research Video Software Other (specify) 4. Relationship of trip to instructional objective(s) (purpose of the trip): Students will create choral and instrumental performances for this trip on Friday evening. They will be scored, critiqued, and receive feedback about their performances. Students will then celebrate on Saturday at Busch Gardens on Saturday.		Field Trip Cost Transportation: \$9363/3 buses Meals: \$75 avg./person Other expenses (explain): hotel (\$45/person & Registration Fee (\$70/person) Funding Used: Band and Choir activities account Individual student expense: \$262.00 <div style="text-align: right;">\$262.00/student Total Cost</div>
Closest Medical Facility (with address & phone #): Sentara Williamsburg Regional Medical Center 00 Sentara Cir, Williamsburg, VA 23188 (757) 984-6000 Nurse Initials: <u>CK</u> Also on-site at Busch Gardens		
APPROVAL SEQUENCE (indicated by the proper signatures below). Field trips not approved at one level will not advance to the next level (no appeals). Comments: Cost will go down as we fund-raise for the busing. This would lower the cost by at least \$73.00/person. The cost of the hotel may also vary, but I do not anticipate paying more than \$45/person.		
PRINCIPAL'S SIGNATURE: <u>[Signature]</u> DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE: <u>[Signature]</u> SUPT'S SIGNATURE: <u>[Signature]</u> <small>For all Out-of-State or overnight field trips, except where a group of students advances in a sequential activity such as a contest, a final cost summary and detailed itinerary must be submitted 30 days prior to the trip.</small>		
12/19/16		

MILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
Milford, Delaware 19963
POLICY 4222

Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) Compliance

Milford School District adopts the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA):

1. **Internet safety policy:** Schools shall abide by DTI's technology protection measures or filters to monitor online activities of minors to monitor the following:
 - Access by minors to inappropriate matter on the internet or World Wide Web;
 - Safety and security of minors when using electronic mail, chat rooms, and other forms of direct electronic communications;
 - Unauthorized access including "hacking" and other unlawful activities by minors online;
 - Unauthorized disclosure, use, dissemination of personal information regarding minors; and
 - Measures designed to restrict minors' access to materials harmful to minors.

"Minor" is defined as any individual who has not attained the age of 17 years.

2. **Technology protection measure:** Schools shall utilize DTI's technology protection to block or filter internet access on all of computers with internet access against access by adults and minors to visual depictions that are obscene, child pornography, or – with respect to the use of computers with internet access by minors – harmful to minors.
3. **Education:** Schools shall educate minors about appropriate online behavior, including interacting with other individuals on social networking websites and in chat rooms, cyberbullying awareness, and response.

ADOPTED: 10/19/22

MILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
Milford, Delaware 19963

POLICY

3303

STUDENT FEES – CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAM

MEAL PRICE – DAILY

	Lunch	Breakfast
High School	\$0.00	\$0.00
Central Academy	\$0.00	\$0.00
Elementary School	\$0.00	\$0.00

ADULT FEES – DAILY

	Lunch	Breakfast
All Schools	\$3.90 4.75	\$2.60 3.00

Ala carte prices are subject to change based on market prices.

Students purchasing a second breakfast will be charged \$2.50, and
Students purchasing a second complete lunch meal will be charged \$3.90.

APPROVED: 8/18/75; 9/20/76; 3/21/77; 7/24/78; 2/26/79; 2/23/81; 8/17/81; 8/16/82; 8/15/83;
8/9/85; 8/24/87; 7/10/89; 4/13/92; 4/26/93; 7/1/98; 4/26/04; 4/21/08

AMENDED: 8/22/11; 6/24/13; 7/15/13, 9/9/16, 11/20/17, 8/20/18, 9/21/20, 9/19/22

MILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
Milford, Delaware 19963

POLICY

3304

CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAM POLICY

MISSION STATEMENT:

The Milford School District Board of Education is committed to promoting and enhancing the health and well being of the students. All Milford Schools participate in the National School Breakfast and Lunch Programs. The Child Nutrition Programs are an integral part of the school environment. This belief is based upon the demonstrated relationship between food, nutrition and learning to achieve excellence in education for all children. The Child Nutrition Program will provide meals that are nutritious and well balanced. Meals will be provided based on the Nutritional Standards mandated by the USDA guidelines.

The Milford Child Nutrition Programs are managed in accordance with the regulations and policies from the Department of Education, State Division of Purchasing, the United States Department of Agriculture, the State Board of Health, and the Milford Board of Education. Continuous goals and objectives of the programs are pursued in a professional, efficient and fiscally sound and responsible manner.

The Milford School District's Child Nutrition Program Policy shall provide:

- I. School Meals that meet the USDA Nutrient Standards by:
 - ❖ Providing whole grain products, low and fat free milk, and fresh fruits and vegetables.
 - ❖ Minimizing saturated fats, total fats and eliminating trans fats.
 - ❖ Minimizing sodium according to USDA guidelines
 - ❖ Offer versus serve options for the student's preference of food choices.
- II. All efforts will be made to maximize meal participation by:
 - ❖ Serving all meals to all students in the Milford School District at no charge, based on the requirements of the Community Eligibility Provision
 - ❖ Placing priority on school meals over sales of ala carte foods.
 - ❖ Preparing and presenting healthy foods in a manner that will encourage their consumption.
 - ❖ Excluding the sales of foods of minimal nutritional value as defined by the Food & Nutrition Service, USDA 7 CFR Part 210, Appendix B.
 - ❖ Working collaboratively to provide students with adequate time to consume school meals.
 - ❖ Participating in a closed lunch. All students must eat at school.
 - ❖ Prohibiting the sale of competitive foods until the conclusion of the student school day.

- ❖ Opportunity to pre-pay for a la carte and second meals by credit card via the internet.
- III. Financial Assistance:
- ❖ One free breakfast and/or free lunch will be available to all Milford School District Students at no charge as required through the Community Eligibility Provision.
- IV. Cafeteria Credit:
- ❖ Students will not be able to charge for extra entrée's, sides, snacks or second meals.
 - ❖ Students/parents/guardians may put money in My School Bucks for additional meals, entrees, sides and snacks.
 - ❖ Returned checks on customer's accounts will be assessed a minimum fee of \$30.00 plus the check amount. The parent or guardian will not be permitted to pay by check for the remainder of the school year.
 - ❖ Charging for meals by adults is prohibited.
- V. Meal Prices:
- ❖ Children will receive one free breakfast and/or one free lunch at no cost to the child or family. A second breakfast will be charged at the adult price of ~~\$2.60~~ ~~3.00~~ in accordance with Board Policy 3303.
 - ❖ Additional meals will be priced at the adult meal price of ~~\$3.90~~ ~~4.75~~ in accordance with Board Policy 3303 as required by the USDA. No federal reimbursement is available for second meals.
 - ❖ Prices for additional entrees, sides and a la carte items will be set by the Milford School Board with the recommendation from the Child Nutrition Department.
- VI. Meal Services for Students During the School Day:
- ❖ Meals or snacks served or sold during the school day separate and apart from the non-profit meal program shall reflect the Child Nutrition Program Policy by ensuring meals and snacks are nutritionally sound and adhere to the Nutrition Guidelines mandated by the USDA NSBP/NSLP Guidelines and snacks adhere to the USDA Smart Snacks Guidelines, including vended options.
- VII. Purchasing practices ensure the use of quality products:
- ❖ Purchasing practices for food, equipment, and related services shall be conducted in accordance with Federal and State Law and according to the Milford School District's policies.
 - ❖ Purchasing decisions for the Child Nutrition Program will include products of high quality and cost effectiveness.
- VIII. Discipline:
- ❖ No student may be denied meals as a disciplinary action.

VIII. Nutrition Education:

- ❖ Nutrition education will be an integral part of the curriculum from pre-school to grade twelve.
- ❖ Good nutrition is recognized as a key factor in health promotion and chronic disease prevention.
- ❖ The child nutrition personnel will encourage and assist in activities that promote proper nutrition and will encourage lifelong healthy eating habits.

ADOPTED: 3/27/00;

AMENDED: 4/26/04; 4/21/08, 9/19/16, 9/21/20; 9/19/22

September 10, 2022

Jason Miller, Board President
Milford School District
906 Lakeview Avenue
Milford, Delaware 19963

Dear Jason,

This is an endorsement for SaraKate Hammer to fill the vacancy that has been created on the Milford School Board.

We feel she is an excellent candidate who has the abilities and commitment to serve the Board and children of the Milford School District.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Gerald and Joanne Burbage", is written over a circular stamp that contains the letters "MB".

Gerald and Joanne Burbage
32 Hidden Meadows Terrace
Milford, Delaware 19963

13SEP 22 7:41AM

Catherine M. Walls

2176 Milford-Harrington Hwy.

Milford, DE 19963

(302)424-4330

cm.walls@comcast.net

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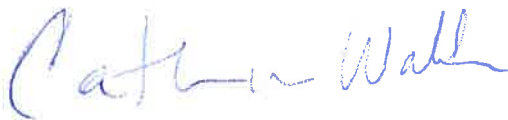
Jason Miller, Board President
Milford School District
906 Lakeview Ave.
Milford, DE 19963

Dear Mr. Miller,

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In short, she is exactly the kind of person who would fit in well and help keep the School Board as a functioning entity.

Sincerely,



Catherine Walls
2176 Milford-Harrington Hwy
Milford, DE
(302)424-4330
(302)270-4330

Patricia L. Sparks
154 Grapevine Way
Milford DE 19963
302-373-0325 patsparks@comcast.net

September 1 2022

**Mr. Jason Miller
Board President
Milford School District
906 Lakeview Avenue
Milford DE 19963**

Dear Mr. Miller:

I am writing on behalf of the candidacy of Mrs. SaraKate Hammer, who has applied to fulfill a vacant spot on the MSD School Board. I have known Mrs. Hammer for 12 years and have worked with her in a volunteer capacity for about eight of those years. In this age of so much uncertainty, I feel that the school board should represent a variety of demographics and so would like to recommend Mrs. Hammer as an excellent candidate to serve. Her social awareness would be an asset not to be overlooked as our children face so many struggles in the years ahead.

In my work with her through Downtown Milford, Inc., I found her to be very organized, goal-oriented, and task-specific in creating and carrying out new and existing programs to benefit the greater Milford area. I have also been privileged to watch her raise her own children to be civic minded young adults. Mrs. Hammer has always been attentive to her children's academic needs. In her endeavors to make the education experience for her children exceptional, she has helped to make the same level of education available to all students in the district.

Her work ethic is beyond reproach as is her desire to make this community a better place for all of its residents, without any bias to age or ethnicity. Her enthusiasm for "all things Milford" would suggest that, even though her own children are aging out of the public school system, she will continue to be most concerned with the experience of every child who enters the district's schools. Mrs. Hammer's own education would certainly be an asset to MSD in helping set policy and curriculum for all of our schools.

I would be happy to answer any questions you may have regarding this letter and Mrs. Hammer's application. Please feel free to contact me if you'd like more information.

Best regards,

Pat Sparks
Pat Sparks

September 3, 2022

Jason Miller
Board President: Milford School District
906 Lakeview Avenue
Milford, DE 19963

Dear Mr. Miller,

I am writing to document my support of SaraKate Hammer and her desire for a seat on the Milford School Board.

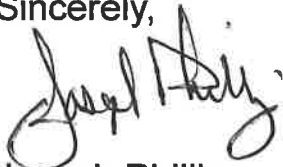
I moved to Milford in May, 2014 and as a retired person I sought out volunteer options to get involved in my new community. In every direction I looked, SaraKate was integrated and active, striving to make Milford a better place to live and visit. I have worked with SaraKate on many and varied projects. Finding her in a new working group always radiates success.

SaraKate's team skills are hard to beat; she is extremely intelligent, listens well, offers sound council and is flexible in view for the good of the objective. Above that she has a calming presence, oftentimes needed in group activity.

I truly believe that SaraKate would be a champion for our kids, our teachers our parents and our community.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph Phillips".

Joseph Phillips
2 Causey Avenue
Milford, DE 19963



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September 5, 2022

Jason Miller
Board President/Milford School District
906 Lakeview Avenue
Milford, Delaware 19963

Dear Mr. Miller,

I am writing to you regarding the recent **NO** vote by the School Board to accept SaraKate Hammer for the open position on the school board. As a friend of Ms Hammer I was stunned at your rejection.

I have known SaraKate since my late husband Bob and I moved to Milford 15 years ago. Her strong commitment to the community of Milford, serving on boards of the Milford Senior Center, Downtown Milford, Inc. and Second Street Players, and her involvement in the Vinyard Shipyard Preservation Project is evident and impressive. She truly cares about this city.

She has an ability to bring people together; to listen to varying viewpoints and to work for the common good.

Her commitment to the Milford community is without question and her education and work experiences make her an ideal candidate for the Milford School Board. I urge you to select her to fill this open seat immediately.

Sincerely,


Rosemary Connelly
107 Barksdale Court
Milford, DE 19963
302-359-5534

SEP 22 11:00 AM

September 8, 2022

Dear *Jason,*

I understand the Milford School Board of Education is in the process of filling the Area B seat vacancy on the board. I fully support SaraKate Hammer for this position.

SaraKate is extremely active in the Milford community and has also been a valuable supporter of each of the Milford schools as her children attended and graduated from the Milford School District. She is a very positive advocate for the quality education that we want and deserve here in our growing community.

I also see a strong connection between the schools and our local hospital. If we are going to attract and retain good doctors, an excellent school system is certainly a good recruiting tool. SaraKate would be a great asset, as she has excellent skills for working with school officials, employees, committee members, as well as, other members of the community.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this matter. I also extend my personal thanks and appreciation for **your** time and service on the Board.

Sincerely,

Beverly Bullock

Beverly Bullock

Retired Teacher of the Milford School District

G. Mitchell and Loretta Edmondson
PO Box 896
Milford, Delaware 19963
2docedm@gmail.com

3 AUG 22 4:45 PM

August 30, 2022

Jason Miller, Board President
Milford School District
906 Lakeview Avenue
Milford, Delaware 19963

Dear Mr. Miller,

We are writing to voice our support for the candidacy of Sara Kate Hammer for appointment to the Milford School Board. We have known Sara Kate for over twenty years and have observed her work as a dedicated parent, community volunteer, and advocate for the Milford community.


Simply stated, there is no one better qualified to fill the vacant position on the Milford School Board than Sara Kate Hammer. She is an involved parent who knows first-hand the workings of the school system, its strengths, and the opportunities for improvement. She has experience working in local businesses. She has demonstrated her commitment to Milford in many ways, but perhaps most notably in her role as board member and chair of Downtown Milford Incorporated, where her leadership and innovation helped to bring events to improve the quality of life to our town, and customers to our local businesses. She is an objective listener, willing to hear all sides of any issue before moving forward on what she believes is the right course. Having worked with her personally, we know that her integrity to be above reproach.

We strongly believe that Sara Kate would be an outstanding addition to The Milford School Board, and we strongly urge you and the other board members to support her appointment. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,



G. Mitchell Edmondson



Loretta Edmondson

August 31, 2022

Jason Miller
Board President
Milford School District
906 Lakeview Ave
Milford, DE 19963

RE: SaraKate Hammer candidacy for Milford School District Board

Dear Mr. Miller,

My husband and I are writing in support of SaraKate Hammer's candidacy for the Milford School Board.

As a former Milford School District teacher, I had the pleasure of working with SaraKate's daughter Addie which allowed me the opportunity to get to know SaraKate and her husband Scott. The dedication and involvement with Addie's education was clearly a priority and I enjoyed interacting with SaraKate and sharing thoughts on several subjects. She is always positive, and I always welcomed her feedback.

In addition, SaraKate's involvement in the Milford community has demonstrated her strong leadership and communication skills.

SaraKate would be an excellent addition to the Milford School District Board and would bring a wealth of knowledge and dedication.

Sincerely,

The image shows two handwritten signatures in cursive. The first signature is 'Carolyn Price' and the second is 'Jack Price'. They are written in dark ink on a white background.

Carolyn and Jack Price

Jason Miller, Board President
906 Lakeview Avenue
Milford, DE 19963
September 1, 2022

To Board President Miller and the current members of the board:

As a longtime member of the community of Milford, and the proud parent of three high achieving MSD graduates, I enthusiastically support the candidacy of SaraKate Hammer for the open seat on the Milford School Board.

Ms Hammer has been extremely active in numerous areas of our community. A few that come to my mind are leadership of Downtown Milford, Inc, Member of the Auxiliary of Bayhealth Sussex Campus, Board member of Second Street Community Theater, member of Womens' Chorus through the Music School of Delaware, involvement in each of the Milford schools her children have attended, and positive support of every sport they have played. SaraKate's energy and commitment to meet the needs of each organization are exemplary. Coupled with her excellent skills in working with school officials, employees, and other committee members, SaraKate is capable of finding ways to get good things done!

There is no more important job in this community than monitoring, supporting, and working to make MSD the very best it can (and should) be for the students and teachers who work and learn here. I urge the committee to accept SaraKate as the next member of the Board of the Milford School District.

Sincerely,



Patricia Fisher

Nancy Benson
105 N. Landing Drive
Milford, DE 19963

September 1, 2022

Jason Miller
Board President/Milford School District
906 Lakeview Ave
Milford, DE 19963

It is with pleasure that I recommend SaraKate Hammer for the open seat on the Milford School Board vacated by Kris Thompson. I have known SaraKate for many years and believe she would be an asset to the Board.

Specifically, I worked with SaraKate on the board of directors of Downtown Milford, Inc. Through my involvement with DMI, I came to know SaraKate on a personal level and find her to be a hard working committed individual. I know she believes in giving back to the community. She has been an active member on many community boards and has worked hard to serve them. I believe she will work well with the Milford School Board, teachers, and students.

Sincerely,



Nancy Benson
302.745.8404
nancy.d.benson@gmail.com

7559 22 8:06AM
The Revs. Eric & Paige Evers
16 Big Pond Drive
Milford, DE 19963

September 1, 2022

Dear Mr. Miller,

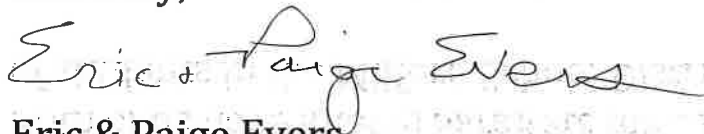
We are writing in support of SaraKate Hammer to become a Milford School District Board Member for Area B.

I (Paige) worked closely with SaraKate in a volunteer capacity when she was President of the Board of Downtown Milford, Inc. I saw firsthand how SaraKate is a wise leader who cares deeply about Milford and our ongoing success as a community. Both of us have known SaraKate for 11 years as fellow parents of students in the Milford School District.

SaraKate is a well-qualified, dedicated, skilled, and compassionate community leader who will serve faithfully on behalf of the students, families, teachers, and staff of our District. She is extremely intelligent, and she is also a strong communicator. SaraKate has a wonderful track record of working well with people throughout our community. She brings people together to achieve common goals.

We highly encourage the Board to vote for SaraKate Hammer.

Sincerely,



Eric & Paige Evers

Parents of Milford students in the class of 2025 & the class of 2028

Blocker, Theresa

From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:08 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: Milford School District Board

From: heather baray <heatherbaray@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 14, 2022 8:27 AM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>; Fitzgerald, Scott <SFitzgerald@msd.k12.de.us>; Brownstein, Adam <ABrownstein@msd.k12.de.us>; MBucher <MBucher@msd.k12.de.us>; Vezmar, David <DVezmar@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: Milford School District Board

This letter is in regards to the candidate SaraKate Hammer for the open seat on the MSD Board. I have had the honor to work with SaraKate and her family in many capacities. I was a member of the fundraising committee she led for DMI, and it was a wonderful experience. She was a great leader, she always had fresh exciting, realistic ideas to better DMI and Milford in general. I have also worked with SaraKate at the Second Street Players Milford Theater, and again the experience has been fantastic. SaraKate gives 100% to any position she holds, she works hard to achieve goals that are set, and has a great ability to motivate others. She gets things done in the most efficient way possible, and has great leadership and team member qualities. She cares greatly for the Milford Community and is always giving back. I feel choosing SaraKate for the open Board position in the Milford School District would be a great decision, you will be thrilled to have her on your team.

Thank you for your time and consideration.
Heather Baray

Dear Jason and fellow MSD School Board members:

I am writing you in support of SaraKate Hammer for the open seat on the MSD board. I've known SaraKate casually over a number of years, and whenever I've had contact with her through the various causes she's been involved with, I've found her to be a competent, committed and caring person. Besides, she has a delightful personality! I have much respect for her. In an article I read about her interview with you, she said she believes in giving back to our community—she demonstrates this continually in spades. It appears that serving on the board has been on her radar for some time; this is not a new idea for Sara. I think her presence would add a great deal to your board.

I was personally very pleased when I learned SaraKate had filed for the seat and was sad when I learned you had ended up with a tie vote and no appointment. As the members of my generation start to step back from leadership roles, we look to the next generation(s) to step up to the plate and take on these roles. I find myself regularly looking at the people in my world—church, community, and schools—who are stepping up. You give me hope! I hope you will give SaraKate the opportunity to join you. She will be an excellent MSD School Board member.

Sincerely,

Harriet B. Davies

Kathryn A. Stetson

*311 S. Walnut St.
Milford, DE 19963
206/851-4336*

September 8, 2022

Jason Miller
Board President
Milford School District
906 Lakeview Ave.
Milford, DE 19963

RE: School Board Vacancy

Dear Mr. Miller and All Milford School Board members:

I am writing in support of SaraKate Hammer to fill the currently open position on the Board. I have known SaraKate for at least 6 years and have been impressed with her commitment to the people of Milford. She is smart, educated, resourceful, compassionate and level-headed. As a lifelong resident of Sussex County she has deep roots and many connections, enabling her to facilitate resources and solutions to community issues. She embodies the goal of the Milford School Board to ensure that the District policies represent the community standards and are furthering the education of our children in the best possible way.

SaraKate has a proven track record with her service to Downtown Milford Inc., Second Street Players, Milford Senior Center, Boys and Girls Club, and the Vinyard Shipyard Preservation Project. She would be a wonderful addition to the Milford School Board and I urge you to confirm her at your next meeting.

Thank you,

Kathryn Stetson

Blocker, Theresa

From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:08 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: Appointment of School Board member

From: Helen Holleger <hholleger1931@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, September 10, 2022 4:47 PM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: Appointment of School Board member

My name is Helen Holleger. I am retired from the Delaware Department of Education. I spent 20 years of a 30 year career as a teacher and administrator in the Milford School District. I am writing to recommend the appointment of Sara Kate Hammer to the Milford School Board. Sara Kate is a mother of children in our schools. She has worked very hard to make our community a better place to live through her work with Downtown Milford, Inc. She is a perfect candidate to represent the people of the Milford School District who have a deep desire for the district to maintain its outstanding reputation among the districts of the State. Thank you for considering my opinion.
Sent from my iPhone

Blocker, Theresa

From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:08 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: School board candidate

From: Patricia Crabb <crabb34@msn.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 8, 2022 10:36 PM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>; Wylie, Jean <JWylie@msd.k12.de.us>
Cc: Fitzgerald, Scott <SFitzgerald@msd.k12.de.us>; Vezmar, David <DVezmar@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: School board candidate

To the Milford School Board,

I'm writing to endorse Sara Kate Hammer, who is a unique young woman running for the Milford school board. She's very dedicated to any organization she commits to work with and I believe she would be an excellent addition to the school board with her positive attitude, energetic upbeat personality and sincere interest in our school system.

Sincerely submitted,

Pat Crabb

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone
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Blocker, Theresa

From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:10 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: Open seat on the Milford School Board

From: cm.walls@comcast.net <cm.walls@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, September 7, 2022 4:46 PM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: Open seat on the Milford School Board

Board President
Milford School District
Dear Jason Miller,

I am writing this email in support of Sara Kate Hammer's application for the open seat on the Milford School Board. Sara Kate has been involved with improving Milford in many endeavors over the years and I have had the pleasure of working with her on several of these committees. She is dedicated, intelligent, sensible, eager to listen and learn, and easy to work with. She is an excellent mother as well as an active citizen.

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Sincerely,
Catherine Walls
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Milford, DE
(302)424-4330
(302)270-4330

Blocker, Theresa

From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:10 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: Board Of Education Vacant Position

From: Tom Chilton <chilto@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 7, 2022 3:08 PM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: Board Of Education Vacant Position

Dear Mr. Miller, President, Milford Board of Education:

I am writing this email on behalf of the two candidates who applied for the vacant position on the Milford School Board. I found it very strange that a candidate could not be selected for the vacancy. I know there were only two applications, but both applicants appeared to be exceptional for the position. One of the two should have been selected. I am not sure why you abstained from the vote but there must be some underlying reason for that decision.

I have no personal knowledge regarding the candidate Jeffifer Masotti but I have known SaraKate Hammer for over 15 years and highly recommend her for filling the Board vacancy. SaraKate certainly has the educational background with a degree in Psychology as well as a Masters in Public Administration. Her teaching experience at Delaware Tech and Wilmington University give her the knowledge needed for helping better prepare our students for their future. She has two children who have or are still going through the Milford School system. This has given her hands on knowledge of the every day workings of the schools.

SaraKate has also been extremely active in the Milford community as a Board Member for DMI, Milford Senior Center & the local Theater. She has also been on many local committees. I mention this because it shows that she has the ability to lead and work with others. I have absolutely know doubts that SaraKate would be a tremendous asset to the Milford Board of Education and recommend her highly. Personally I am quite familiar with the school system being a tutor of reading for over 10 years, awarded the Diamond Award from the Board of Education a number of years ago and as member of the Citizen Budget Oversight Committee for the past three years.

Thank you for considering SaraKate Hammer for this position.

Thomas J. Chilton
38 Meadow Lark Drive
Milford, DE 19963
732-742-3133

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From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:10 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: for your consideration

From: Sher Valenzuela <svalenzuela@firststatemfg.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 7, 2022 2:04 PM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: for your consideration

Dear Jason,

I trust this finds you and yours doing well!

I wanted to take a minute to send a letter of support for SaraKate Hammer as you consider who will fill the open School Board seat. Having served on several non-profit, community, and volunteer committees with her, I can attest to the fact that few have more of a deep-seated commitment or heart for their community, fellow man (or student) than SaraKate.

In fact, if she wasn't so devoted to whatever she puts her hand to, I'd try to woo her away to work for us, because whatever she's involved in just seems to thrive.

Please let me know if you'd like additional input, as I could go on and on about just what a role model SaraKate is, and what an asset she would be to the Board.

Thanks in advance for your consideration, Sher

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From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:10 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: Support for SaraKate Hammer's candidacy for Milford School Board

From: Daniel Bond <daniellbond@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, September 6, 2022 4:12 AM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: Support for SaraKate Hammer's candidacy for Milford School Board

Dear Mr. Miller,

I am contacting you about the position on the Milford School Board that is to be filled soon.

It is my understanding that SaraKate Hammer submitted an application and was interviewed by the Board (along with another candidate) at their August meeting and that since the Board failed to achieve the required number of votes to approve either of the candidates it has now reopened the process.

I strongly support SaraKate's application.

My wife and I moved to Milford in 1991 and we have known SaraKate personally for about twenty years. I first began working with SaraKate to promote the efforts of Downtown Milford Inc. to improve and revitalize Milford's historic downtown. More recently we have worked together in an effort for a public entity to purchase the historic Vinyard Shipyard and make it a public asset. (The Vinyard Shipyard is the only privately owned wooden ship building facility in the United States that began in the 19th century and is still operational today. It is currently owned by Sudler and Joan Lofland.) I know that SaraKate has also worked as a volunteer and Board Member for the Milford Senior Center and Second Street Players, and she served on the Bayhealth Capital Campaign Committee. Her husband, Scott Hammer, is the personal physician for both my wife and me.

SaraKate has an excellent educational background for a position on the School Board - a BA in psychology from East Carolina University, a second undergraduate degree from University of North Carolina at Charlotte in elementary education, and a MPA in Health Care Administration from the University of North Dakota (where her thesis was "Effects of Issue Framing on School Referenda in Delaware Public School Districts"). She has taught at both the elementary and college levels (the latter at Delaware Technical & Community College and Wilmington University).

SaraKate is a mother with school age children who is highly motivated to bring her experience and insights into helping the Board make our school system the best it can be. One of SaraKate's special skills is her ability to write grant proposals, which she has demonstrated several times by obtaining funding for public improvement efforts in Milford.

I am sure that SaraKate's talents in working with people for the public good will be of great benefit for the Milford School Board if she becomes a member. If you would like to talk with me about my support for SaraKate, please give me a call at 302-228-6590.

Thank you.

Dan

Daniel L. Bond
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Milford, DE 19963
Cell: +1-302-228-6590

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From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:10 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: SaraKate Hammer

From: b french <griffithlady@hotmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, September 3, 2022 3:31 PM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: SaraKate Hammer

Jason,

It is my pleasure to recommend SaraKate Hammer to be on the Milford School Board. I have worked with SaraKate on committees in the past. She is a very intelligent and committed worker in whatever she does. She is also very dedicated to Milford and would make a wonderful addition to the School Board.

Sincerely,

Bev French

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From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:10 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: Support for Sara Kate Hammer

From: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>
Sent: Thursday, September 1, 2022 2:25 PM
To: sudler3@aol.com <sudler3@aol.com>
Subject: Re: Support for Sara Kate Hammer

Sudler,
I appreciate your email in support of filling the school board vacancy. Thanks,
Jason

From: sudler3@aol.com <sudler3@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 1, 2022 10:29 AM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: Support for Sara Kate Hammer

Mr. Miller,

We are writing to you and the Milford School Board to support Sara Kate Hammer's appointment to fill the vacant seat on the Milford School Board. We have worked successfully with Sara Kate on projects with the City of Milford Parks and Recreation Department and Downtown Milford Inc., and have found her participation and dedication to those projects invaluable to their successful implementation. She was always willing to accept a leadership role in the projects and, while understanding the practical limitations involved in the work, was not opposed to entertaining creative and imaginative solutions to accomplish the goals of the projects. Sara Kate brings energy and determination to every job in which she is involved and would be an excellent addition to the Milford School board.

Sincerely,
J. Sudler Lofland
Joan W. Lofland
6 Columbia St
Milford, DE 19963

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From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:10 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: Public Record of support for SaraKate Hammer's candidacy for Milford School Board

From: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>
Sent: Thursday, September 1, 2022 2:25 PM
To: Kelly Reavis <khreavis@gmail.com>
Subject: Re: Public Record of support for SaraKate Hammer's candidacy for Milford School Board

Kelly,
I appreciate your email in support of filling the school board vacancy. Thanks,
Jason

From: Kelly Reavis <khreavis@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 31, 2022 12:56 PM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: Public Record of support for SaraKate Hammer's candidacy for Milford School Board

Dear Mr. Miller,
I am writing to support SaraKate Hammer's candidacy for the Milford School District School Board. SaraKate has a strong track record of community support and involvement. She is an active and productive participant in all corners of the Milford Community. SaraKate has a proven ability to bring people together, finding commonality and resolutions. She has a history of fulfilling every commitment she has made to the numerous organizations who have benefitted from her experience and dedication. I am confident that she will do the same to represent our neighborhoods on the school board. I would like to go on public record to request your and the other school board members' support of SaraKate Hammer as a strong, experienced, committed addition to your school board.

Kindest regards,
Kelly Reavis

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From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:11 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: SaraKate Hammer

From: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>
Sent: Thursday, September 1, 2022 2:24 PM
To: i <walterhepford@aol.com>
Subject: Re: SaraKate Hammer

Sharon,
I appreciate your email in support of filling the school board vacancy. Thanks,
Jason

From: i <walterhepford@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 31, 2022 10:18 AM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>
Cc: kathy.stetson@gmail.com <kathy.stetson@gmail.com>; sarakatehammer@gmail.com
<sarakatehammer@gmail.com>
Subject: SaraKate Hammer

8:31 AM
August 31, 2022

TO: Jason Miller
President of Milford School Board
906 Lakeview
Milford, De 19963

Dear Jason & Fellow School Board Members:

I have known SaraKate for over 12 years and know how talented and experienced she is. SaraKate is a fair-minded, competent leader, and I have been personally involved with her in several town events and various projects such as fundraisers for the Mispillion Art League, Downtown Milford, Inc. and other community projects. SaraKate has a great ability to make sensible decisions and knows how to keep people on-topic and communicating.

Above all, she has a dedicated and deep respect for education and the community and is a strong supporter of the city of Milford and surrounding areas. She is the most qualified of all candidates and I heartily endorse her for School Board.

Sincerely,
Sharon R Hepford
139 Aspen Ct.
Milford, DE 19963
302-430-0690

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From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:11 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: SaraKate Hammer- Letter in Support of Board Appointment

From: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>
Sent: Thursday, September 1, 2022 2:23 PM
To: Nicole Silicato-Miller <nicole@silicatodevelopment.com>
Subject: Re: SaraKate Hammer- Letter in Support of Board Appointment

Nicole,
I appreciate your email in support of filling the school board vacancy. Thanks,
Jason

From: Nicole Silicato-Miller <nicole@silicatodevelopment.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 31, 2022 9:32 AM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: SaraKate Hammer- Letter in Support of Board Appointment

Jason,

I understand the Milford School Board is looking to fill an empty seat. I am writing in support of SaraKate Hammer. I have known SaraKate Hammer for quite a few years now, and my opinion of her has only grown stronger as the years go by. If SaraKate is interested in joining the School Board, the Milford School District is so lucky! When I sat on the Boys & Girls Club Milford Unit Board, SaraKate worked so hard for many events, including the 5K in town. She has been a champion for downtown Milford and really is a cheerleader for the town, so vocal and so committed. SaraKate is also a person that others can rally behind. With SaraKate on the Board, I feel that public confidence in the Board and the direction of the School District will only be strengthened.

I hope you will consider appointing SaraKate to the Milford School Board, as she will surely be a strong asset.

Thank you for your consideration.

Nicole Silicato Miller & Family

Nicole Silicato Miller
Vice President, Broker of Record



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From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:11 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: In support of Sara Kate Hammer's appointment to the Milford School Board

From: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>
Sent: Thursday, September 1, 2022 2:22 PM
To: Hammer, Scott A. MD, FAAFP <drhammer@mdvip.com>
Subject: Re: In support of Sara Kate Hammer's appointment to the Milford School Board

Scott,
I appreciate your email in support of filling the school board vacancy. Thanks,
Jason

From: Hammer, Scott A. MD, FAAFP <drhammer@mdvip.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 30, 2022 10:31 PM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>
Cc: SaraKate Hammer <sarakatehammer@gmail.com>
Subject: In support of Sara Kate Hammer's appointment to the Milford School Board

Mr Miller, et al,

First, I am clearly biased when it comes to my glowing opinion on Sara Kate's incredible talents and experience. Nonetheless, I have some trepidations about her assuming another role in the public arena, for as you well know, public service can be a thankless job.

Casting aside both of these opposing comments, I will attempt to write in as clear and unbiased a manner as possible a few reasons why her voice should be welcomed onto the Milford School Board.

Sara Kate's experiences as an instructor, teaching GED classes to adult students in North Carolina and more recently teaching dual-enrollment psychology and sociology at Lake Forest High School give her experience as an educator, clearly an asset to any School Board.

With a Masters in Public Administration, her own educational credentials add to her credibility in such a role.

Her tireless volunteer experiences as President of Downtown Milford Inc, her continued involvement with the Shipyard Project and as a Board Member of Riverfront Theater speak for her passion for improving and supporting Greater Milford.

Sara Kate's volunteerism with the Boys and Girls Club of Delaware continue to grow these services for some of our most at-risk children.

The strength of any Board of Directors can be measured by the diversity of opinion and experience of its Trustees. Sara Kate's involvement in any of her leadership roles has always been one of listening first,

From: [Dickerson, Kevin](#)
To: [Blocker, Theresa](#)
Cc: [Miller, Jason](#)
Subject: Fwd: [External] Fwd: Support for SaraKate Hammer to fill board vacancy
Date: Sunday, September 18, 2022 8:45:32 PM

Begin forwarded message:

From: barbararutt@yahoo.com
Date: September 18, 2022 at 12:11:33 PM EDT
To: "Dickerson, Kevin" <KDickerson@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: [External] Fwd: Support for SaraKate Hammer to fill board vacancy

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Dear Dr. Dickerson:

I am forwarding to you a letter which I have sent to all members of the Milford School Board.

I ask that in your capacity as District Superintendent and as Executive Secretary of the Board, you include this in all materials for the September 19 board meeting.

Thank you for all of your efforts to support quality education in the Milford School District.

Very truly yours,
Barbara B. Rutt

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: barbararutt@yahoo.com
Date: September 18, 2022 at 5:56:38 PM GMT+2
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SFITZGERALD@msd.k12.de.us,
ABROWNSTEIN@msd.k12.de.us, DVEZMAR@msd.k12.de.us,
JWYLIE@msd.k12.de.us
Subject: Support for SaraKate Hammer to fill board vacancy

Dear President Miller and Fellow Board Members:

I write to ask that you appoint SaraKate Hammer to fill the current board vacancy arising as a result of a recent resignation. I have known SaraKate and her husband, Dr. Scott Hammer, for many years. I have the highest respect for both of them.

Having previously served on the Milford School Board and the State Board of Education, I believe I have a clear understanding of the background and qualities needed to be an effective board member.

SaraKate Hammer has the ability to be an outstanding board member. She is an active member of the Milford community, giving her all to any commitment she undertakes. With children in the district, she has been a strong advocate for all students.

I encourage you to set aside political agendas and act with the best interests of students in mind. The current board vacancy needs to be filled, and an exemplary candidate has volunteered to take on this important position. I humbly urge you to appoint SaraKate Hammer to the Milford School Board.

Please include this correspondence with the Board packet as prepared for your September 19 board meeting.

Very truly yours,
Barbara B. Rutt

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:07 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: [External] Candidate Jennifer Massotti

From: Nick and Jessica Kucek <njkucekfamily@hotmail.com>
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 6:13 AM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>
Cc: Fitzgerald, Scott <SFitzgerald@msd.k12.de.us>; Brownstein, Adam <ABrownstein@msd.k12.de.us>; MBucher <MBucher@msd.k12.de.us>; Vezmar, David <DVezmar@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: [External] Candidate Jennifer Massotti

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Dear School Board Members,

This letter is in regards to Jennifer Massotti as a candidate for the school board position. We have known Mrs. Massotti for 11 years and feel as though she would be an asset to the Board and school district. Mrs. Massotti has been a lifelong member of the community and not only is she a wife and a mother of four children, three of which are currently enrolled in the Milford school district and one that graduated from Milford high school last year, she is also a nurse. Through being a nurse, Mrs. Massotti has developed strong communication and leadership skills. Mrs. Massotti has always had a strong dedication to her family first and foremost, and also her community. We feel as though Mrs. Massotti, as a school board member, can bring a fresh perspective and assist with stability and success within the school district as well as allow for a parent perspective on safety in the schools and academic excellence.

Thank you for all you do and for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Nick & Jessica Kucek

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From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:07 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: [External] Vote in school board open seat

From: Ken Davis <3672kd@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 15, 2022 9:51 PM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>
Cc: Brownstein, Adam <ABrownstein@msd.k12.de.us>; Vezmar, David <DVezmar@msd.k12.de.us>; MBucher <MBucher@msd.k12.de.us>; Fitzgerald, Scott <SFitzgerald@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: [External] Vote in school board open seat

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To the Milford school board members,

I'm writing to you in regards to the open school board seat that you will be voting on this Monday night. I urge you to place the right person for the position, someone whom has skin in the game. What I mean by that is, Jennifer Massotti has 3 small children in the Milford School District. I believe this gives her the best credential for being a school board member. She also has a calming presence and very passionate about her children's education. Please make the right decision and place Jennifer Massotti in the open seat.

Thank you concerned Milford resident,

Ken Davis
701 Lindsay Lane
Milford, De
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3025424020
3672kd@gmail.com

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From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:07 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: Vacant school board seat.

From: hjester <hjester@verizon.net>
Sent: Wednesday, September 14, 2022 5:17 PM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>; Fitzgerald, Scott <SFitzgerald@msd.k12.de.us>; Brownstein, Adam <ABrownstein@msd.k12.de.us>; Vezmar, David <DVEzmar@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: Vacant school board seat.

Hi there, I would like to ask the school board to consider Jennifer Massotti for the vacant seat. I think she would be a great advocate for our children. It's great to know that she has children in the district and can relate with all of us parents.

Thank you,
Colby Jester

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

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From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:07 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: Vacant school board seat

From: Ashlee Connell <aconnell@erangacardiology.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 14, 2022 3:53 PM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>; Fitzgerald, Scott <SFitzgerald@msd.k12.de.us>; Brownstein, Adam <ABrownstein@msd.k12.de.us>; MBucher <MBucher@msd.k12.de.us>; Vezmar, David <DVezmar@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: Vacant school board seat

Dear Milford School Board,

As a parent of a child in the Milfrod School district, and 2 more that will attend in the future I am writing to ask that you please consider voting for Jenniffer Massotti to fill the currently open seat.

As a parent of children in the district herself I feel as though she would bring open and new thinking to the board and represent the parents to the best of her ability.

Thank you so much for your time and consideration!

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Ashlee Connell

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From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:07 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: Vacant school board seat

From: Shaun and Kristi Gray <graysproperties926@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 14, 2022 3:07 PM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>; Fitzgerald, Scott <SFitzgerald@msd.k12.de.us>; Brownstein, Adam <ABrownstein@msd.k12.de.us>; MBucher <MBucher@msd.k12.de.us>; Vezmar, David <Dvezmar@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: Vacant school board seat

Dear Milford School Board,

As a parent of three children within Milford School District, I am writing today to ask you please consider voting Jennifer Massotti to fulfill the current vacant seat. I believe she will bring fresh thinking, and represent the parents well. As the board currently lacks members with small children in the district, she has a good grasp of what is currently being taught within the classrooms & is relatable.

Thank you for your time and consideration!

Kristi Gray

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From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:07 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: Upcoming School Board Election

From: Cynthia Betts <cindymbetts@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 14, 2022 12:08 PM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: Upcoming School Board Election

Dr Mr Miller,
With regard to the upcoming election to fill the vacant seat on the school board, please vote for Jennifer Massotti! Thank you. See you on September 19!
Sincerely,
Cynthia Betts

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From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:08 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: Jennifer Massotti for School Board

From: Kimberly Ortiz <kortiznewbeginnings@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 14, 2022 8:46 AM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>; Fitzgerald, Scott <SFitzgerald@msd.k12.de.us>; Brownstein, Adam <ABrownstein@msd.k12.de.us>; MBucher <MBucher@msd.k12.de.us>; Vezmar, David <DVezmar@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: Jennifer Massotti for School Board

Hello,

I am writing to give my thoughts on the candidate that I feel best suited for the open seat on the Milford School District board. As a resident of the Milford School District, and mother of 4 , I find Jennifer Massotti the perfect fit for the position. Jennifer is a well educated woman, who is passionate about not only her children but all children and their education. She has been a very strong advocate during covid and continues to do so by publicly speaking about her concerns. Jennifer is an outstanding woman who has proven herself as the perfect candidate for the job to do what's right for our children and the Milford community as a whole.

thank you,

Kim Ortiz

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From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:08 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: Ms Jennifer Massotti.

From: JFUrban <jfurban518@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 12, 2022 7:45 PM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>; Fitzgerald, Scott <SFitzgerald@msd.k12.de.us>; Brownstein, Adam <ABrownstein@msd.k12.de.us>; MBucher <MBucher@msd.k12.de.us>; Vezmar, David <DVezmar@msd.k12.de.us>; Wylie, Jean <JWylie@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: Ms Jennifer Massotti.

I urge you to support Ms Jennifer Massotti as a replacement for Mr. Kris Thompson's recently vacated position on the Milford School Board.

Ms. Massotti has school age children in the Milford Public School system and brings a unique perspective to the district's issues, problems and positive values. She gets immediate, and constant feedback and observations from her children as to what goes on in the classrooms, and in other common portions of the schools such as bathrooms, lunch areas, gymnasiums, libraries and even in the halls. I feel this feedback, both positive and negative, needs to be brought to the School Board's attention. Despite formal evaluations and a myriad of statistics available, this type feedback appears to be sadly absent in current board policies and actions.

We need parental input to give a more balanced and even approach to what our children are seeing and telling their parents and care givers. Ms. Massotti would provide that perspective.

I urge you to vote for Ms. Massotti to fill the remainder of Mr. Thompson's term.

John Urban

3437 Canterbury Rd.

Milford, DE 19963

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From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:08 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: Recommendation for School Board

From: Kelly Voshell <voshellfamily@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, September 12, 2022 7:24 PM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>; Fitzgerald, Scott <SFitzgerald@msd.k12.de.us>; MBucher <MBucher@msd.k12.de.us>; Vezmar, David <DVezmar@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: Recommendation for School Board

Dear Milford School Board Members,

I couldn't be happier to recommend Jennifer Masotti for Area B School Board Seat at Milford School District. I have known Jennifer for 14 years and can confidently say that she is a person of impeccable character.

Jennifer's incredible way of effortlessly managing her home while raising four wonderful children and working a full time job in the medical field with commitment and care and still showing up to supporting her children, our community and the Milford School District has always impressed me. She is a great example of dedication and dependability.

More importantly, everyone who interacts with Jennifer is always blown away by her gentle nature and willingness to tackle all tasks big or small with a positive attitude.

It is truly a privilege and an honor to be considered Jennifer's friend and I wholeheartedly recommend her for this position. I assure you that Jennifer's commitment to the school board, as well as her commitment to Milford School District Students and Staff are without question. I have no doubt she will make a strong addition to our team. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
Kelly Voshell
(302)270-5597

Blocker, Theresa

From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:09 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: Area B appointee

From: Jeff Peck <micah68jsp@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 8, 2022 9:50 AM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: Area B appointee

Dear board member,

I write to endorse Ms. Jennifer Massotti as interim board appointee. As a grandfather to children who attend the Milford schools I want to see an active and involved mother who will think independently and in the best interests of my grandkids. Jennifer is the candidate who best embodies those traits. Thank you for your consideration.

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...act justly...love mercy...walk humbly with your God

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From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:09 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: Vacant School Board Seat left by Kris Thompson

From: KEN DRODDY <kdroddy@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, September 7, 2022 8:20 PM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: Vacant School Board Seat left by Kris Thompson

Good evening Mr. Miller,

Hope all is well with you and family.

With the vacancy on the school board for Area B, I see that the position will be filled by an appointee until next school board election in 2023.

Please fill this position with Jennifer Massotti. Sounds like she would be good for our parents and students.

Regards,
Ken Droddy

Blocker, Theresa

From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:09 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: School Board vacancy

From: dcarpineta01 <dcarpineta01@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 7, 2022 6:23 PM
To: MBucher <MBucher@msd.k12.de.us>
Cc: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>; Fitzgerald, Scott <SFitzgerald@msd.k12.de.us>; Brownstein, Adam <ABrownstein@msd.k12.de.us>; Vezmar, David <DVeZmar@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: RE: School Board vacancy

To whom it may concern.

I am writing this to strongly request you elect Jennifer Massotti to the school board. We need someone who is willing to fight for our childrens rights, freedoms and who will advocate for the parents in this district. We can all see very clearly the dishonest propaganda being pushed on our children and grandchildren and we do not want it. Jennifer Massotti will stand for what we want. Our voices need to be heard! We want our children educated with truth, true history, reading, writing and arithmetic. NO CRT!! NO SEX ENDOCTRINATION. NO MASKS AND NO MANDATES. FREEDOM AND AN UNDYING LOVE FOR THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Thank you,

Dianna Carpineta

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S21 Ultra 5G, an AT&T 5G smartphone

Blocker, Theresa

From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:10 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: Milford School Board Vacant Seat

From: Glenn Watson <glennwatsonjr@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 7, 2022 11:21 AM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>; Fitzgerald, Scott <SFitzgerald@msd.k12.de.us>; Brownstein, Adam <ABrownstein@msd.k12.de.us>; MBucher <MBucher@msd.k12.de.us>; Vezmar, David <DVezmar@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: Milford School Board Vacant Seat

Dear School Board Member,

I have been a Milford resident for all of my 64 years and a graduate of Milford High School class of 76'. My wife and I have raised 3 young men who have also attended and graduated from Milford High School. We now have 4 young grandchildren that will be attending Milford schools in the not so far future and we feel this upcoming vote for the replacement school board member is very important. I would like to say that I feel Jennifer Massotti is the appropriate replacement for the School Board seat. She has been an advocate for children during covid, and publicly has voiced her concerns about masking and remote schooling to the Board. She is the tenacious mamma-bear that we desperately need to represent our children and parents.

While I have no doubt that Sara Hammer is qualified, her values do not reflect my own. It is for this reason that I am asking for your help in getting Jennifer Massotti seated on the Board. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns. I also am planning on speaking at the meeting on Monday. Thank you for your time and service to our community.

Sincerely,

Glenn M. Watson, Jr.

Blocker, Theresa

From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:10 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: Jennifer Massotti

From: Michelle Peters <mpeters611@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 7, 2022 12:34 AM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: Jennifer Massotti

Dear Jason,

I am writing you this email to urge you to vote in favor of Jennifer Massotti. She is an excellent candidate who holds good, moral values. We need strong individuals on the Milford School Board who support families and stand for the right things. Please, please consider voting Yes in accepting Jennifer.

Thank you,

Michelle Peters
Retired Milford Teacher of 30 years

Blocker, Theresa

From: Miller, Jason
Sent: Friday, September 16, 2022 8:11 AM
To: Blocker, Theresa
Subject: Fw: Area B appointee

From: Jeff Peck <micah68jsp@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 8, 2022 9:50 AM
To: Miller, Jason <JMiller@msd.k12.de.us>
Subject: Area B appointee

Dear board member,

I write to endorse Ms. Jennifer Massotti as interim board appointee. As a grandfather to children who attend the Milford schools I want to see an active and involved mother who will think independently and in the best interests of my grandkids. Jennifer is the candidate who best embodies those traits. Thank you for your consideration.

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