

Minutes of Study Session

The Board of Education Mahtomedi Public Schools

A **Study Session** of the Board of Education of Mahtomedi Public Schools was held **Thursday, April 11, 2019**, beginning at 7:00 PM in the Mahtomedi District Education Center - Community Room.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Lucy Payne.

2. ROLL CALL OF ATTENDANCE

Present: Mike Chevalier; Kevin Donovan; Julie McGraw; Lucy Payne; Stacey Stout; and Superintendent Barbara Duffrin, ex-officio. Not Present: Judy Schwartz.

Also present: Laura Eliason, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent; Nicole Flesner, Human Resource Supervisor; Bill Menozzi, Director of Business Services; Mike Neubeck, Mahtomedi Middle School Principal; Tony Pierce, Director of Student Support Services; Alice Seuffert, Communication Specialist; Lynne Viker, Assistant Superintendent of Learning; and Cathy Wyland, Director of Community Education.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

McGraw moved, Stout seconded, approval of the agenda. Carried 5-0.

4. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

A. First Reading of Policy 524 - Technology Acceptable Use and Safety

Superintendent Barbara Duffrin discussed with school board members the recommended changes to Policy 524 - Technology Acceptable Use and Safety. The main changes are regarding educating students annually about appropriate online behavior and when internet use agreement forms for students and employees must be read and signed.

B. 2019 - 2020 Preliminary Budget Update

Bill Menozzi, Director of Business Services and the administrators present discussed with school board members the recommended 2019-2020 general fund preliminary budget adjustments of approximately one percent which include: staffing adjustments based on student needs, student numbers and program needs; adjustments in account coding for community education custodial wages/benefits and for Long Term Facilities Maintenance (LTFM) program management; a slight increase to high school activity fees, a decrease in building supply budgets; a decrease in the substitute teaching budget at the high school; and additions to secondary personnel based on enrollment and student registration.

C. Snow Day Relief Bill

Superintendent Barbara Duffrin discussed with school board members the Snow Day Relief Bill, which would allow adding cancelled school days back to the district calendar to meet the statutory number of hours required, so the district can access full extended day funds. The bill would then require the district to pay or allow paraprofessionals to make up the hours through educational program opportunities such as bullying prevention and online SafeSchools classes. The school board will vote on a resolution for school district calendar adjustment for the 2018-2019 School Year at the April 25 school board meeting.

D. Committee Appointments

School Board Chair Lucy Payne discussed with board members who would be able to attend Association of Metropolitan School Districts (AMSD) Executive and Legislative Committee Meetings for the remainder of School Board Director Mike Chevalier term ending in July.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Stout moved, Chevalier seconded, adjournment. Carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

JULIE MCGRAW, CLERK