



**MINOOKA COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #111
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 24, 2020, 1:00 PM**

The Special Board Meeting will be held at the Campus by Teleconference
301 South Wabena Avenue
Minooka, Illinois 60447.

Attendance - This meeting will be held remotely (via Zoom). Members of the public are welcome to attend the meeting by remote means. To attend this meeting via zoom, click [here](#). To view the meeting via YouTube, click [here](#).

Recognition of guests and public comments-If you wish to make a public comment via email or zoom during the meeting, please contact Colleen Ward at cward@mchs.net or 815.521.4311 by 10:00 AM on August 24, 2020. Public comments submitted via email will be read aloud during the public comment portion of the meeting.

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 4. Public Comments**
- 5. Discussion** - Resolution regarding child care
- 6. Action Items** - Consideration and possible approval of a resolution concerning child care
- 7. Announcements and Communications**
- 8. Adjourn**

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BOARD OF EDUCATION

RESOLUTION CONCERNING CHILD CARE

WHEREAS It is unquestioned that our students learn best when they are physically present in the classroom in front of their teacher. When our students are home remote learning we believe our teachers teach best when they are providing the remote instruction from their classroom here at school. The pandemic has made that increasingly difficult. As we adjust to the ever-changing environment we have never taken our focus off our number one priority of providing our students with the best and highest quality education.

WHEREAS Child care in these times is challenging and the administration has been working with individual staff members on possible accommodations. These have included restructuring the 4th hour block to allow teachers to get home to get their child off the bus and teach the 4th hour block and join in the collaboration and professional development from home. This is not an ideal situation and the administration cannot guarantee that these accommodations will be permanent and are being reviewed from time to time to determine their sustainability.

WHEREAS We have learned that in these times that with every decision we make it is impossible to satisfy all the competing interest. That is why we must make these decisions with the focus on our primary goal and purpose of our mandate – to provide our students with the best and highest quality education.⁴

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that:

1. Child care has and remains the primary responsibility of our staff. As our feeder schools go to remote learning we are receiving requests from our staff to work from home all day. We cannot accommodate these requests and still remain true to our primary goal and mandate.
2. To the extent that the administration can and on a case by case basis within the staffing, duties, technology, curriculum, and effectiveness of instruction confines, full day remote accommodations will be made through September 11th to allow staff the ability to arrange child care.
3. All current 4th block accommodations will be reviewed periodically, including any time the district changes in-school attendance, and are subject to being rescinded.
4. The Family First Corona Virus Response Act (FFCRA) does, however, provide paid leave for staff members who need to care for their children as a result of their school closing/remote learning. The first two weeks is at 2/3rd pay up to a maximum of \$511 dollars a day, and the next ten weeks is at 2/3rds pay up to a maximum of \$200 dollars a day. The details of this program can be found on the MCHS intranet under Personal Resources.