

MINERAL POINT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA

Public Notice is hereby given to the public and to news media pursuant to Chapter 19, Subchapter IV, Wisconsin Statutes that a Regular Meeting of the School Board of the Mineral Point Unified School District in the Mineral Point Middle School/High School building located at 705 Ross Street in the city of Mineral Point, Iowa County, Wisconsin.

02/08/2016 6:30 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

Presenter: Larry Steffes

Time: 6:30 PM

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Presenter: Larry Steffes

III. COMMUNICATIONS

Presenter: Larry Steffes

1. Board Communications Received

2. Citizen Communications

If interested in addressing the School Board during the Communications portion of the meeting, please stand and state your name when the Board President requests communications from the citizens.

a. President's Comments to the Audience

On behalf of fellow Board members, at this time I would like to invite any member of the audience to stand with comments about items of interest or concern that do or do not appear on the agenda this evening. Please begin by stating your name and address. It would be appreciated if you would limit your comments to three minutes so that we can keep the meeting moving in a timely fashion and allow others an opportunity to speak. We ask that you remember that Wisconsin law prohibits us from discussing specific employees or their job performance. Thank you for your support of our school district.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE/BUSINESS SERVICES

Presenter: Larry Steffes

1. Credit Card Statement of Activity
2. Approval of Bills Payable

V. PERSONNEL SERVICES

1. Approval of Staff Leave of Absence
Presenter: Luke Francois

VI. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

1. State Assessment Data 2014-2015
2. Educational Options, Accountability Report, Academic Standards
Wisconsin Statute 118.57 states the Mineral Point School District is required to notify parents about the educational options available to children who reside in the resident school district in addition to notification about the school district's accountability report.
Presenter: Luke Francois
3. Site Visits: Essential Outcomes, Formative Assessments, and Intervention Groupings
4. WASB State Convention Update
5. School Safety Planning
At the last special board meeting the Board of Education tabled the creation of a safety task force and instead generated a list of safety measures that could first take place without large amounts of money being spent. The list is before the board for review with the opportunity to add, delete, or modify the list of possible safety measures that could be taken in MP Schools.

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6. Board Policy - Building Usage Fees

Member Basting contacted President Steffes to request placing Board Policy 830 Use of Buildings on the agenda for review.

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7. WASB Board Development Tool

The Wisconsin Association of School Boards (WASB) provided Mineral Point Schools with a survey tool to learn which areas of government the board is in agreement with and which areas require more discussion at a local level. The survey tool was distributed to board members at no cost to the district at the last board meeting. A check in toward completion of the survey will be done with additional survey codes made available for board members not completing the task.

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VII ITEMS FOR ACTION

. There are no items scheduled for action.

VII SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

I. Presenter: Luke Francois

1. Advocacy and Public Relations

2. Stadium Update

IX. Cassie Bossert Article

<http://www.wiaawi.org/News/NewsReleases/tabid/113/articleType/ArticleView/articleId/8700/FEATURE-Mineral-Point-Student-Athlete-Knows-No-Limits.aspx>

X. Book Study - School Board Field Book

The School Board FieldBook will be distributed with a timeline for completion and discussion agreed upon and book study questions distributed.

1. The School Board Field Book: Leading with a Vision Chapter Four - Ten Signals That Your Board is in Trouble

Chapter 4 identifies ten common instances in which boards abandon their strategic role and, in so doing, interfere with the smooth, aligned operation of the district. This makes the initiatives the board wants to achieve harder to accomplish—even when the board thinks it is helping make things happen. Review the ten signals in the chapter summary on pages 78–80. Four of those signals—1, 2, 9, and 10—are a result of voting/decision making by a board; three—4, 5, and 7—are a result of research/policy influences; and three—3, 6, and 8—are culture-based. Then review the core values of a high-performing system outlined in Table 4–1: Core Values and Beliefs (page 74).

Question 1: Assess your board’s performance over the last three years. Which trouble signals did you successfully avoid? To which signals has your board fallen victim? Which will be the most difficult for your board to address, and why?

Question 2: Think back to any differences over the last three years between your board and the superintendent, the administration, and/or the teachers’ organization. What signals can you attach to them? Give specific examples. Discuss how the conflict could have been avoided.

Question 3: How does the culture of your school system stack up against the core values of a high-performing system described on page 74? What are your strengths? How do you know? What are your opportunities for improvement? How do you know? How does the collective impact of these core values affect productivity and satisfaction in your school district?

Question 4: Is the relationship between the board, the superintendent, and union leadership productive and professional? How do you know? How do you communicate? How do you collaborate? How are differences resolved? How do you celebrate success together? How do you share opportunities for improvement together?

XI. CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION

1. Administrator Contract Renewal

Discussion and action of performance, evaluation, and related compensation of the Elementary Principal and the Director of Pupil Services.

XII RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

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XII NEXT MEETING DATES

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1. Regular Board Meeting, March 14, 2016 6:30PM, Board Room MPSD

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XV OTHER ENCLOSURES

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