

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.

05/09/2016 6:15 PM

I. RECOGNITIONS

Time: 6:15pm

1. 2016 Top Scholars
2. Skills USA state qualifiers
3. Delta Kappa Gamma state qualifiers
4. Solo/Ensemble state qualifiers
5. Forensics state qualifiers

II. CALL TO ORDER

Presenter: Larry Steffes

Time: 6:30 PM

III. ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS

1. Election of Officers

Nominations will be accepted and officers elected in the following order:

President, Vice President, Clerk, and Treasurer. Each officer shall serve a term of one (1) year. Balloting for any of the four (4) above mentioned officers shall continue until a clear majority is received.

2. Appointment of Secretary

The Board will appoint a secretary each year. The secretary is an employee of the district and will not be a member of the Board.

3. Establishment of Board Meeting Dates and Times

The Board will establish both the meeting dates and times for future regularly scheduled board meetings. Currently, the board meets the second Monday of the month at 7:00 pm.

4. Determination of Board Member Salaries

Board Policy 164 states each Board member will be paid for each regular, adjourned, and special meeting of the Board he/she attends and for the committee meetings he/she attends. The per-meeting amount shall be determined by the board annually. Last year the board voted to award a \$50 monthly meeting stipend. The previous three years before that the Board did not take pay for meetings. Prior to that, the salary was \$35 for Board Meetings and \$25 for committee meetings.

5. Appointment of Standing Committees

Currently there are four standing committees: Operations, Policy, Personnel, and Finance.

6. Appointment of CESA 3 Delegate

An appointment of a CESA 3 delegate shall be determined.

7. Appointment of a WASB Delegate.

An appointment of a WASB delegate shall be determined.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Presenter: Larry Steffes

V. COMMUNICATIONS

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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.

VI. **ADMINISTRATIVE/BUSINESS SERVICES**

Presenter: Larry Steffes

1. Credit Card Statement of Activity
2. Approval of Bills Payable
3. Approval of Sweep Agreement
4. Approval of BOOST agreement

VII. **PERSONNEL SERVICES**

VIII. **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/DISCUSSION**

1. ELL Report
2. Budget Development and Staffing Update

- a. Balanced Budget
- b. 7th Grade Staffing Levels
- c. Tier III Supports
- d. Middle School Chromebooks

- 1. Middle School Chromebooks

A one-to-one environment at the middle school is necessary to deploy blended learning strategies to include the use of online tutorials in Apex. The District recommends the purchase of 40 Chromebooks in addition to the approved 60 Chromebooks to fill existing carts and provide for a one-to-one environment in grades 6-8. Chromebooks would remain at school. Chromebooks costs \$250 each and management licenses cost \$30 each. Total additional investment is \$11,200.

Presenter: Luke Francois

- 3. Policy Committee Report

- 4. School Safety

<http://www.intruderdefenseservices.com/>

Board follow-up to live presentation held April 14 at 3:45.

IX. ITEMS FOR ACTION

- 1. Approval of Open Enrollment Requests

- 2. Approval of vendor to bring dark fiber to the Mineral Point School District. The District worked with Livermore Technologies to write an RFP to bring dark fiber from Hwy 151 into the District/High School/Middle School Building. Bringing dark fiber will find up to 10GB of bandwidth into the

building with no cost to transport internet service.

The low bid is Holtger, a vendor that meets all required specifications and has worked in the district previously. The low bid extended cost is \$85,631. After federal erate reimbursements, the actual cost to the district will be approximate \$51,000. A three-year contract with MPSDs current provider, Charter, costs the district \$800 for 200 MG per month. At an annual rate of \$9,600 to Charter to transport fiber the project would pay for itself in just over five years.

The District recommends accepting Holtger as the selected vendor to install fiber into the High School/Middle School Building from Hwy 151.

3. Adoption of Instructional Materials

The math team has undergone a two-year selection and adoption process to renew resources in the courses of Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II.

The team reviewed multiple resources, met with vendors, conducted site reviews and ultimately selected Big Ideas Math from Houghton Mifflin.

The cost of the instructional materials for a set of \$60 is \$6,057/course.

The resources update a set of the almost decade-old materials and will update current resources to reflect Wisconsin Standards and the infusion of technology in the classroom.

The District recommends approval of the adoption of Big Ideas instructional materials.

X. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Presenter: Luke Francois

1. Vacancy Updates

2. Book Study - School Board Field Book

- a. 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. OFFICIAL SCHOOL BOARD PHOTO

XII. CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION

Convene to Closed Session Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1) (c)
Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance
evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body
has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

1. Evaluation & Contract of Communications Director
2. Administrator Contract Renewal
Discussion and action of performance, evaluation, and related
compensation of the Superintendent

XIII. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

XIV. NEXT MEETING DATES

1. Monday, May 23 Special Board Meeting 6:30pm Board Room
2. Monday, June 13 at 6:30 pm (tentative)

XV. ADJOURN

XVI. OTHER ENCLOSURES