

MIDLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION

AGENDA

August 17, 2015

Mission: *The Midland Public Schools, in partnership with our community, prepares students as knowledgeable, self-reliant, cooperative and ethical learners who are contributing citizens.*

Regular monthly meetings are held at the Midland Public Schools Administration Center, 600 E. Carpenter Street, Midland, Michigan, at 7 p.m. with adjournment not later than 9:30 p.m. except by unanimous approval otherwise.

This meeting is a meeting of the Midland Public Schools' Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda. The Board of Education receives agenda material in advance of the meeting and has the opportunity to ask clarification questions of the staff. In order to expedite routine items of business and operations and maximize the opportunity for discussion topics, the Board will utilize a consent format for portions of the agenda as noted.

1. CALL TO ORDER: ROLL CALL

Board of Education:

- ___ President Wasserman
- ___ Vice President Brandstadt
- ___ Secretary Baker
- ___ Treasurer Singer
- ___ Member Frazee
- ___ Member Gorton
- ___ Member McFarland

Central Staff:

- Mr. Sharrow, Superintendent
- Mr. Cooper, Associate Superintendent: Finance/Facilities/Operations
- Mr. Brutyn, Associate Superintendent: Curriculum/Instruction/Assessment

2. CONSENT AGENDA

2. 1. Approval of the Meeting Minutes from the July 20, 2015 Regular Meeting.
2. 2. The following persons are recommended for employment for the 2015-16 school year:
 - ◇ Erica Lanphierd, 1.0 Kindergarten Teacher, Woodcrest Elementary
 - ◇ Megan Oswalt, 1.0 Elementary Teacher, MPS Art Department
2. 3. The following staff members have announced their resignation effective as of the dates indicated:
 - ◇ Teri Chia, Paraprofessional, Eastlawn Elementary, July 23, 2015
 - ◇ Jackie Bruessow, Paraprofessional, Carpenter Street, July 13, 2015
 - ◇ Kimberly Clarke, Office Professional, H. H. Dow High, August 1, 2015
 - ◇ Christopher Stevens, Grounds Department, August 15, 2015
 - ◇ Crystal Bennett, Resource Room Teacher, Siebert Elementary, June 11, 2015
2. 4. Administration recommends the renewal of the Adult Ed Cooperative Agreement between Bullock Creek School District, Coleman Community Schools, Meridian Public Schools and Midland Public Schools for the 2015-16 school year.
2. 5. Board approval is sought for Midland High School to purchase a new portable stage to replace the portable stage that has been used for many years and is feared no longer

sound. Administration seeks approval to purchase the new stage (which includes backdrop frame and curtains) from StageRight Company in Clare, Michigan, in the amount of \$10,702.54. This is not the lowest bid received; however, the vendor is local and the bid includes the frame and curtains, unlike the other bids received. This purchase will not be taken from the general fund; the funds will be provided from the MHS All in Club and the Master Chemic Club.

2. 6. Administration is seeking approval to deliver a purchase order to Duncan Video of Sterling Heights, MI for \$7,228.79 as part of the infrastructure updates in the Technology Bond. The pricing is for one (1) Tightrope Media Systems CableCast server. The CableCast server handles all of the automated switching for the television station and the old server is no longer supported. The pricing provided was the result of a formal bid and follows Board purchasing policy.
2. 7. Bids have been accepted and a tabulation is provided for the replacement of the MPS warehouse roof. The administration recommends issuing a purchase order to the low bidder, Brandle Roofing and Sheet Metal of Midland, Michigan, in the amount of \$6,845. This project will be paid for with sinking funds.
2. 8. Approval of the payment of school system's bills for the month of June 2015, as listed in the check registers prepared by Ms. Laux, in the total amount of \$10,137,357 is recommended. The distribution of obligations by fund, is included in the documentation.

2. 9. Legal Invoices for Payment

Approval is requested to authorize payment for the following invoices:
<> Thrun, \$592.00, July 30, 2015, Professional Legal Fees

3. REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:

<> Ms. Colleen Bauder has requested to address the board with regard to the scheduling of the Midland Public Schools' high school graduation ceremonies.

4. FINANCE, FACILITIES AND OPERATIONS

Study Committee Chair: Pam Singer; Staff Resource Person: Mr. Cooper

4. 1. Finance, Facilities and Operations (FFO) Study Committee Minutes from August 10, 2015 (Ms. Singer, Chair)
4. 2. For Action: Gifts totaling \$13,900.
<> \$13,900 for Plymouth Elementary classroom supplies, field trips, magazines, etc. from Plymouth PTO.

5. HUMAN RESOURCES

Study Committee Chair: Scott McFarland; Staff Resource Person: Mr. Sharrow

5. 1. For Information: The Board and staff extend their deepest sympathy to the family of Mr. Ed Strom, who passed away on July 25. Mr. Strom taught social studies at both H. H. Dow High and Midland High during his 34 year career with Midland Public Schools. Mr. Strom had been the Social Studies Department Head at H. H. Dow High when he retired in 2004.
5. 2. For Action: Administrative Appointment

6. CORRESPONDENCE TO AND FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

6. 1. For Information: Letters from the Board of Education or the school system to:
Mr. Kevin Hoerauf

Midland Area Community Foundation
H. H. Dow High School Athletic Booster Club
Ms. Collette Bouwhuis
Ms. Amie Munger
Ms. Jackie Strecker
Ms. Linda Spears
Mr. Jim Fulkerson
Ms. Cyndi Bixler

7. SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES--FOR INFORMATION

The following is a listing of scheduled meetings or activities of the Board of Education. All meetings are Regular and Special Meetings of the Board of Education and begin at 7:00 p.m. at the MPS Administration Center (600 East Carpenter, Midland) unless otherwise noted:

- <> September 21, 2015
- <> October 19, 2015
- <> November 16, 2015
- <> December 14, 2015

Tentative Meetings for January-June 2016

(Action will take place on these meeting dates at the January 18 Organizational Meeting)

- <> January 18, 2016 (Organizational meeting)
- <> February 15, 2016
- <> March 21, 2016
- <> April 18, 2016 (Budget Workshop)
- <> May 16, 2016
- <> June 13, 2016
- <> June 27, 2016

8. STUDY DISCUSSION SESSION

This portion of the agenda is utilized by the Board to introduce topics for future study, to discuss school district related matters, to complete professional association business and to relate items of interest. No action is taken during this time. Occasionally closed sessions are scheduled to discuss confidential personnel, negotiations or property matters.

- 8. 1. Hearing from Board Members
- 8. 2. Announcements from Superintendent Sharrow

9. CLOSED SESSION

MCESPA Negotiations Discussion

10. ADJOURNMENT