

MIDLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION

AGENDA

July 15, 2013

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 (twice-monthly) meeting 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.

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 _____ Member Gorton _____
Vice President Baker _____ Member McFarland _____
Secretary Kaminski _____ Member VanderKelen _____
Treasurer Brandstadt _____

Central Staff:
Superintendent: Mr. Sharrow _____
Assistant Superintendent: Mr. Verlinde _____
Associate Superintendents:
Finance/Facilities/Operations: Ms. Cline _____
Curriculum/Instruction/Assessment: Mr. Cooper _____

2. CONSENT AGENDA

2.1 Approval of the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of June 24.

2.2 Adoption of Michigan School Code Articles 105/105C (Schools of Choice)

The administration requests approval from the Board of Education to continue accepting Nonresident Schools of Choice students. This applies to nonresident students from other districts within the Midland County Educational Service Agency (Meridian, Bullock Creek and Coleman) and to nonresident students from contiguous intermediate districts (Bay-Arenac, Clare-Gladwin, Gratiot-Isabella, and Saginaw).

There will be two application periods each year: from February to September for students who wish to enroll for the new school year, and during January for second semester enrollment. Information will be made available to parents at the end of the first semester and the beginning of the second semester for the fall enrollment process.

As specified by law, in situations in which a special education student from a contiguous intermediate district wishes to enroll, it is required that there be a written agreement between the district of residence and the Midland Public Schools to specify the responsibility for paying the special education costs for the student.

Nonresident students who enroll in the Midland Public Schools through this process can maintain their attendance until they graduate and they pay no tuition. Nonresident students who enroll at different times of the school year will be required to pay tuition.

- 2.3 Bids were recently received from tree service vendors to remove a number of trees throughout the district that have the potential of damaging our properties. The administration recommends that a purchase order be issued to the low bidder, Kindy Tree Service of Midland, MI for a cost of \$7,400 to provide these services to Midland Public Schools for the 2013-2014 school year.
- 2.4 Bids were recently received from custodial supply vendors to provide 44 gallon 40 x 48 H.DEN 16mic garbage liners for our district facilities. The administration recommends that a purchase order be issued to the low bidder, Arnold Sales of Bay City, Michigan for a cost of \$4,774.80 to provide these supplies to Midland Public Schools for the 2013-2014 school year.
- 2.5 Approval is requested to enter into a twelve month extension of a two year contract with Republic Services for waste and recycling services for the 2013-2014 school year. Cost of this service is \$36,224.
- 2.6 Approval is requested to enter into a twelve month extension of a two year contract with Schindler Elevator Corporation for district elevator inspections for the 2013-2014 school year. Cost of this service is \$3,312.
- 2.7 The following staff member announced her resignation effective as of the date indicated:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Maria Rose Adams	District Art Teacher	July 11, 2013

- 2.8 Approval is requested to authorize payment for the following legal bills:

FIRM	DATE	AMOUNT	PURPOSE
Thrun Law Firm P.C.	6/27/2013	\$2,350.00	Professional Fees
AMOUNT DUE		\$2,350.00	

3. **REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

- 3.1 No hearings have been requested.

4. **BOARD OF EDUCATION MATTERS**

PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD

Recommended for Action

- 4.1 Proposed Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB) 2013-14 Delegate and Alternate:

<u>2012-13</u>	<u>2013-14</u>
John Kaminski – Delegate	_____ - Delegate
Lynn Baker - Alternate	_____ - Alternate

4.2 Michigan High School Athletic AssociationMichael Sharrow

The Michigan Attorney General ruled in 1977 that the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) is a private organization and, therefore, cannot be delegated governmental authority to regulate public school athletics. However, a school district may join the Association and may adopt the Association's rules as its own. The school district must then accept the responsibility to enforce these rules in the district. The Midland secondary schools have long been members of the MHSAA.

A copy of the minutes of the May 2013 meeting of the Representative Council of the MHSAA, which provides information on athletic changes for the 2013-2014 school year, has also been provided.

The administration recommends that the Board:

- Approve membership in the MHSAA for the four Midland secondary schools again in 2013-14.
- Adopt the rules of the MHSAA as published in its current *HANDBOOK* and qualifications as published in the Bulletin with above changes, to govern athletic competitions in the Midland Public Schools in 2013-14.
- Accept the responsibility of enforcing these rules for the Midland schools.

A formal resolution embodying these recommendations is attached. The resolution is to be read aloud, a roll call vote of the Board taken, and the Board's secretary authorized to sign the resolution if approved.

For Information

4.3 Revised Acceptable Use Policy Gary Verlinde

Mobile computing, social media and cloud services have had a significant impact on our society over the last five years. These technologies are also becoming important staples for delivering a 21st Century education. We can use them to enhance learning, teach digital citizenship, encourage collaboration and improve efficiencies; they are here to stay and it is important we begin to support them.

The Midland Public Schools Acceptable Use Policy currently lacks verbiage pertaining to mobile computing, social media and cloud services. In order to support the use of these services, it is important that we define the necessary policies so all users have an understanding of the availability, expectations for proper use, support and personal responsibility. The Administration recommends approval of the revised Acceptable Use Policy to be implemented prior to the start of the next school year.

5. **FINANCE/FACILITIES**

Study Committee Chair – Ms. Brandstadt
Staff Resource Person – Ms. Cline

For Information:

5.1 The administration is recommending an increase in breakfast and lunch prices for the 2013-14 school year. This is the first price increase since the 2011-2012 year and is recommended by Chartwells, our food service contractor to offset increased food costs. The recommended price increase for lunches is 15¢ per meal for both elementary and secondary lunches. This will raise

the price of elementary student lunches to \$2.30 and the base secondary lunch to \$2.50. Breakfast and adult meals would also increase \$0.15. Reduced lunch prices will remain at 40¢ as required by Federal law.

6. CORRESPONDENCE TO AND FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

For Information:

- 6.1 Letter from the Board of Education or the school system to:
Mr. and Mrs. Mark Bassett
Ms. Barbara Ruhberg
Ms. Ruth Ann Wright
Rollin M. Gerstacker Foundation
The Dow Chemical Foundation

- 6.2 FOIA request from Mackinac Center for Public Policy requesting the name, school name, school address and e-mail address of teachers currently employed by Midland Public Schools.

7. SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES

For Information:

The following is a listing of scheduled meetings or activities of the Board of Education for 2013:

August 12, 2013	7 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
August 26, 2013	7 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
September 9, 2013	7 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
September 23, 2013	7 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
October 14, 2013	7 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
October 28, 2013	7 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
November 11, 2013	7 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
November 25, 2013	7 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
December 9, 2013	7 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

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. ADJOURNMENT