

MIDLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION

“REVISED” AGENDA

September 9, 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, Vice President Baker, Secretary Kaminski, Treasurer Brandstadt, Member Gorton, Member McFarland, Member VanderKelen

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

2. BOARD MEMBER RESIGNATION

3. CONSENT AGENDA

3.1 Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes from August 26, 2013

3.2 The following staff members have announced their resignation effective as of the dates indicated:

Table with 3 columns: Name, Assignment, Effective Date. Rows include Kristen Cronkright, Savannah Finney, Rachel Kent, Kris Kreh, Michelle Short, and Julie C. Smith with their respective assignments and resignation dates.

3.3 The following persons are recommended for employment for the 2013-14 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Erica J. Barnes	Spanish Teacher (1.0), Midland Public Schools	August 27, 2013
Monica M. Chambers	School Psychologist (1.0), Midland Public Schools	August 27, 2013
Amy L. Denay	Special Education Teacher (1.0), Jefferson Middle	August 27, 2013
Kristi L. Hainstock	School Psychologist (1.0), Midland Public Schools	August 27, 2013
Tricia Jendretzke	Art Teacher (1.0), Midland Public Schools	August 27, 2013
Chelsea N. Jensen	Elementary Teacher (1.0), Carpenter Street	August 27, 2013
Chelsea N. Schmidt	Spanish Teacher (.6), Midland Public Schools	August 27, 2013
Rebecca Stern	Elementary Teacher (1.0), Carpenter Street	August 27, 2013

3.4 Approval of John Kaminski’s travel expenses incurred August 9 and 10 when he attended the MASB CBA conference held at Boyne Mountain. This requested reimbursement is in line with *How Midland Schools Works (HMSW)* policy in Chapter II. B. 7. b. which states, “Board members shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in discharging their official duties and in performing functions authorized by the Board.” The requested reimbursement amounts are within the allowable limits as stated in *HMSW*.

3.5 Approval is requested to authorize payment for the following legal bill:

FIRM	DATE	AMOUNT	PURPOSE
Thrun Law Firm P.C.	7/25/2013	10,063.00	Professional Fees
AMOUNT DUE		\$10,063.00	

4. **REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

4.1 No hearings have been requested.

5. **BOARD OF EDUCATION MATTERS**

PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD

For Information:

5.1 “The ROCK” after school program for MPS middle school students.

Northeast: Mr. Jeff Jaster, Principal; Ms. Lori Pritchard, Assistant Principal
 Jefferson: Mr. Steve Poole, Principal; Mr. Paul Schroll, Assistant Principal
 The ROCK Youth Center: Ms. Bev Wenzel

For Action:

5.2 Administrative Appointment..... Michael Sharrow

5.3 MPS Bus Driver Compensation and Benefits Linda Cline

The Transportation handbook, as referenced in *How Midland Schools Work*, currently states, “A regular driver’s allotted and accumulated sick days with pay will be used for absence for personal illness.” The Manager of Transportation recommends the following addition: “If a regular driver has accumulated a minimum of 60 days, the driver may use them for winter break, spring break, snow days and professional development days. Drivers will not be allowed to drop below 45 sick days. A maximum of 7 days may be used within the period of September through May. Continued eligibility for use of sick days in this manner is contingent on maintaining a minimum of 45 sick days.” Administration recommends approval of this addition.

6. **FINANCE**

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

For Information:

6.1 Finance, Facilities and Operations (FFO) Study Committee Minutes..... Angela Brandstadt

6.2 The following gifts, which total \$9,357, have been received and processed:

	Donor	Purpose	Amount
2	Chestnut Hill PTO	Classroom magazine subscriptions	\$ 2,300.00
3	Jefferson Parent Advisory Committee	Key card reader for Jefferson Middle School	\$ 3,357.00
4	Chestnut Hill Elementary	HP Pro Book laptop with warranty, accessories and charging cart	\$ 3,200.00
5	Aaron & Esther Oberlin Gift Fund	Support for at-risk students Positive Outcomes Program at Midland High School	\$ 500.00

For Action:

6.3 Acceptance of the following gift totaling \$24,504.50 is recommended:

	Donor	Purpose	Amount
1	Chestnut Hill PTO	Key card readers for Chestnut Hill	\$ 7,300.00
6	Plymouth PTO	Classroom/office supplies, classroom magazines, field trip funding, books for teachers, media center and school office	\$ 17,204.50

An appropriate thanks to the donors is recommended.

7. HUMAN RESOURCES

Study Committee Chair – Ms. Baker
Staff Resource Person – Mr. Verlinde

For Information:

- 7.1 The Board and staff extend their deepest sympathy to the family of Mary Jean Bobalek, who passed away on August 23, 2013. Mrs. Bobalek began her employment with Midland Public Schools in 1959 as an elementary teacher at State Street School. She retired after 29 years of service with MPS in 1988. Ms. Bobalek was a recipient of the Gerstacker Teacher Proficiency Award For Excellence in 1970.

8. CORRESPONDENCE TO AND FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**For Information:**

- 8.1 Letters from the Board of Education or the school system to:
Dr. Susan Johnson, Siebert Elementary Office Fund
Midland Area Community Foundation

9. SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES**For Information:**

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

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

The following is a tentative listing of meetings or activities of the Board of Education for January-June 2014. Action will take place on these meeting dates at the organizational meeting on January 13, 2014.

January 13, 2014	4 p.m.	Organizational Mtg. of the Board of Education
January 27, 2014	7 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
February 10, 2014	7 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
February 24, 2014	7 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
March 10, 2014	7 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
March 24, 2014	7 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
April 14, 2014	7 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
April 28, 2014	3 p.m.	Budget Workshop of the Board of Education
May 12, 2014	7 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
May 27, 2014 (Tuesday)	7 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
June 9, 2014	7 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
June 23, 2014	7 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

10. **CLOSED SESSION**

10.1 Confidential Attorney/Client Privileged Issue

11. **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.

11.1 Hearing from Board Members

11.2 Announcements from Superintendent Sharrow

12. **ADJOURNMENT**