

Minutes of Budget Workshop

April 20, 2015
The Board of Education Midland Public Schools

A Budget Workshop of the Board of Trustees of Midland Public Schools was held Monday, April 20, 2015, beginning at 5:30 PM in the Midland Public Schools Administration Center, 600 E. Carpenter Street, Midland, Michigan.

1. 2015 BUDGET WORKSHOP CALL TO ORDER: ROLL CALL

Board Members Present: President Wasserman, Secretary Baker, Member Frazee, Member McFarland

Board Members Arrival Times: Treasurer Singer (5:45 p.m.), Vice President Brandstadt (6:00 p.m.), Member Gorton (6:19 p.m.)

Central Staff Present: Superintendent Sharrow, Assistant Superintendent Verlinde, Associate Superintendent Cooper, Associate Superintendent Brutyn

One audience member was present for this meeting.

2. REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD REGARDING BUDGET WORKSHOP

2. 1. No budget hearings were requested.

3. BOARD DISCUSSION AND PRIORITIZATION FOR 2015-16 GENERAL FUND BUDGET

Mr. Cooper presented information regarding the proposed 2015-16 budgets from the Governor, Senate and House; the recent history of the Midland Public Schools' Fund Balance; and information from State Bulletin 1014 showing how Midland Public Schools' ranked by selected financial data compared to the 829 school districts in the State of Michigan.

Deficit		
Deficit from June 2014 Beginning Budget		\$ (4,899,193)
Projected Deficit at March Budget Adjustment		\$ (2,798,813)
Additional Expense (budgeted \$82,276,734) Variance (.75%) in June		\$ 617,076
Projected Deficit June 30,2015		\$ (2,181,737)
Projected Major Changes in 2015-16 SY		
Student Enrollment	-150	\$ (1,235,400)
Employee Steps/Lane Changes		\$ (500,000)
Medical Costs (if no changes)	10%	\$ (700,000)
ESA Transfers (SE/ACT 18/ESA Costs, reimbursements)		\$ (300,000)

Additional 3 Days Hourly Employees Costs (Para's, Transportation)		\$ (91,000)
Increase in Foundation Allowance & Categoricals/Student	\$15.00	\$ 113,805
End of Year 2015-16 Deficit: (without reductions below)		\$ (4,894,332)
Proposed Reductions		
Non-personnel reductions		\$ 400,000
Staff Reductions...		
Instructional Staff		\$ 1,124,000
New hires at category I, step 1		\$ 196,000
Administration Staff		\$ 718,000
Other Staff		\$ 525,000
Employee Concessions (all groups)		\$ 1,150,000
End of Year 2015-16 Deficit: (with reductions above)		\$ (781,332)

Mr. Cooper then discussed projected financial information for the 2016-17 school year. If major budget changes above are implemented in 2015-16, MPS anticipates a balanced budget for the 2016-17 school year.

Next Steps – the 2015-16 budget will be presented officially on

- June 8, 2015 – Budget Hearing
- June 22, 2015 – Budget Adoption

Board members discussed future implications of the information presented at this evening's budget workshop.

3. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:27 pm.

President: _____
Gerald Wasserman

Treasurer: _____
Pamela Singer

Approved by the Board on:

C. Young 18-May 2015