This meeting is in accord with the requirements of the Revised School Code, MCL 380.1 et seq., effective July 1, 1996, and the established Midland Public Schools’ Board policies.

The Board of Education receives agenda material in advance of the meeting and has the opportunity to ask clarification questions of the staff.

1. CALL TO ORDER: ROLL CALL (The officers of the preceding year who retain membership on the Board continue in office until successors are elected.)

Board of Education:
- President Singer
- Vice Pres. McFarland
- Treasurer Fredell
- Secretary Baker
- Member Blasy
- Member Lauderbach
- Member Rausch

Central Staff:
- Superintendent Sharrow
- Associate Superintendents Brutyn, Jaster, Miller-Nelson

Included with the documentation for board members is a tabulation of school board membership over the last 15 years, a listing of Board Presidents since 1929, proposed board seats and terms for 2020 and Board Policy 0150 outlining the organization of the Midland Board of Education and the duties of its officers.

2. IDENTIFICATION OF DISTRICT'S LEGAL STATUS

2.1. For Information
Under the Revised School Code, MCL 380.1 et seq., the district's legal status was defined as a general powers school district, effective July 1, 1996.

3. ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE BOARD
As outlined in Board Policy 0150, a three-person Board of Education Nominating Committee submitted a proposed slate of officers for 2020. The proposed slate is as follows:
- President: Mr. Scott McFarland
- Vice President: Ms. Pamela Singer
- Secretary: Mr. Phil Rausch
- Treasurer: Ms. Mary Fredell

4. APPOINTMENTS FOR STUDY COMMITTEES

4.1. For Information
2020 Study Committee Appointments
- Administrative Services: Brad Blasy, Chair; Jon Lauderbach; Pam Singer
- Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment: Lynn Baker, Chair; Mary Fredell; Pam Singer
- Finance/Facilities & Operations: Mary Fredell, Chair; Scott McFarland; Phil Rausch
- Human Resources: Jon Lauderbach, Chair; Lynn Baker; Pam Singer

Other Committee Appointments
2020 District School Improvement: Phil Rausch
2020 Gerstacker Teacher Proficiency Award: Jon Lauderbach
2020 Distinguished Service Award: Lynn Baker
2020 Advisory Board on Instruction in Sex Ed: Brad Blasy
2020 MPS School Board Assoc. Rep. at CGRES: Mary Fredell; Pam Singer

5. SCHEDULED MEETINGS FOR 2020 CALENDAR YEAR

5. 1. Recommended for Action

The Board of Education is required to give public notice of the dates of its regular meetings and of any special meetings. The recommended regularly scheduled meetings of the Board of Education of the Midland Public Schools for 2020 are listed below. All meetings are held at 7 p.m. at the Midland Public Schools Administration Center, 600 East Carpenter Street, Midland, MI unless otherwise stated. Dates of special meetings or changes in the dates of regular meetings will be posted at least 18 hours prior to the time of a special or rescheduled meeting. The Superintendent, or designee, is authorized to post notices of meetings at the direction of the Board of Education.

January 13, 2020 (Organizational Meeting -- 6:00 pm)
January 20, 2020    June 8, 2020    September 21, 2020
February 17, 2020   June 22, 2020   October 19, 2020
March 16, 2020      July 20, 2020   November 16, 2020
April 20, 2020 *    August 17, 2020  December 21, 2020
May 18, 2020
(* Budget Workshop 6:30; Regular Meeting Follows Immediately)

6. 2020 APPOINTMENTS, DESIGNATIONS AND BOARD OF EDUCATION MATTERS

6. 1. Recommended for Action

6. 1. 1. Appointment of the Board of Education’s Legal Counsel (Board President)

The firms of LaPoint & Butler, PC; Lusk Albertson PLC; and Thrun Law Firm PC have been designated as the Board's legal counsels. In addition, the Superintendent is authorized to retain specialized legal counsel through other legal firms, as appropriate. It is recommended that the Board approve legal representation as outlined through December 31, 2020.

6. 1. 2. Fiscal Designations and Authorizations (Superintendent)

It is recommended that the Board designate Chemical Bank and any other public depositories qualified in accordance with MCL 380.1221, The Revised School Code of Michigan, as approved depositories of school district funds through December 31, 2020.

The Treasurer of the Board of Education is the legal financial officer for the school district and, as such, is authorized to sign checks for the Midland Public Schools.

The Superintendent and Associate Superintendent for Finance are the only members of the staff authorized to sign checks for the Midland Public Schools. It is recommended that the Board approve this authorization through December 31, 2020, for these staff members.

6. 1. 3. Personnel Authorizations (Superintendent)

The Board, in previous years, has authorized the Superintendent or his designee to sign any legal documents relating to personnel actions, which the Board has approved. This authorization has been made at the Organizational Meeting for the entire year rather than granting the authorization at each Board meeting.

It is recommended that the Board continue this authorization through December
31, 2020, to the Superintendent or his designee. It is further recommended that the board delegate authority to accept resignations/retirements to the Superintendent of Schools or his designee through December 31, 2020. Resignations/retirements will be reported in subsequent Agendas.

6. 1. 4. **Hard Cap for Employees’ Medical Benefit Plan** (Associate Superintendent Finance)

   Public Act 152 of 2011 limits a public employer’s expenditures for medical benefit plans. Under the Act, a public employer that offers or contributes to a medical benefit plan for its employees is prohibited from paying more of the annual costs or illustrative rate (and any payments for reimbursement of co-pays, deductibles, or payments into health savings accounts or similar accounts used for health care costs) than State set hard cap limits. Administration recommends that the Board reaffirm the District’s commitment to pay no more than the hard cap for its employees' medical benefits per fiscal year.

6. 1. 5. **Administrative Assistant Authorization** (Superintendent)

   It is recommended that the Superintendent's designee, the Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent, be authorized to assist the Secretary of the Board in election matters through December 31, 2020.

7. **ADJOURNMENT**