

MISSISQUOI VALLEY UNION SCHOOL BOARD

SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING

MVU LIBRARY

January 3, 2017

7:00 PM

SCHOOL BOARD AGENDA:

- 7:00 PM **Call Meeting to Order (Listen)**
- Agenda Amendments
- 7:10 PM **Public Comments Regarding Current and Future Agendas**
- 7:15 PM **Adopt December 15th Board Meeting Minutes (Action)**
- 7:20 PM **Old Business (Action)**
- Finalize MVU Long Range Plan
 - Capital Reserve Fund
 - Finalize Budget
 - Act 46 Independent Study Update
 - Board Member Petitions
- 8:10 PM **Meeting Dates**
- Act 46 Independent Committee Meeting - Jan. 16th 7pm in MVU Library
 - Next MVU Board Meeting - Jan. 19th, 6:00 Finance/7:00 Bd. Meeting
 - FNWSU School Board Meeting - Jan. 4th, 6:30pm MVU
 - Support Staff Negotiations - Feb. 2, Feb. 23, 6:00 PM in MVU Library
 - Teacher Negotiations - Jan. 11, 7:00 PM in MVU Library
- 8:15 PM **Anticipated Executive Session (Answer the Executive Session Compliance Question... *Where premature public knowledge would clearly place the Board or other party at a substantial disadvantage...*)**
- Negotiations Update
- 8:30 PM **Possible Executive Session Action**
- Possible Action
- 8:35 PM **Adjournment**

Board Goals:

1. Monitor school performance more deliberately at Board meetings
 - a. Schedule monthly Board presentations

- b. Utilize social media and web site to disseminate school performance information
 - c. Create Board agendas with primary focus on student achievement reporting
 - d. Identify program accountability metrics
2. Increase parent and community engagement with MVU
 - a. Create and charge a Board/Communications Committee
 - b. Focus on growing alumni participation
 3. Develop and implement a 5-year facilities stewardship plan
 - a. Appoint a Facilities Committee to prioritize needs and present recommendations to the Board
 - b. Develop a new facilities bond process
 4. Increase effectiveness of Board operations
 - a. Include quarterly goal progress report sessions at Board meetings
 - b. Schedule monthly Board Chair meeting preparation sessions

***Public Comments at Board Meetings**

The FNWSU and District School Boards are working to improve the response to public comments made at Board meetings.

The Board reserves the right to ask visitors the following questions before they are invited to address complaints to the Board:

- Have you directed your complaint through our "Complaint" Policy i.e.
 - Attempt to address the complaint first with teacher/staff member, and,
 - If not satisfied, discuss complaint with the principal, and,
 - Still not resolved, then meet with the superintendent,
 - Only then, will the Board hear your concern at a Board meeting.
- When speaking with the Board, if the complaint becomes personal, disrespectful, or threatening, then the Board chair may rule the speaker "Out of Order" or,
- If the complaint addresses specific personnel or is evaluative then the Board chair may invite the complainant into executive session, and,
- The Board chair may limit speaking time for each individual and ask that similar points of view from multiple speakers not be presented.

Anyone making a comment can expect a response from the Board that will fall into one of the following categories:

- Thank the person with no further action planned.
- Respond immediately by the Board chair or administration.

- Direct the administration to contact and respond to the person.
- Seek clarification from the administration at a specified meeting.
- Add the topic to a future Board agenda.
- Refer the matter to an executive session.
- Hold a public hearing on the matter.
- Send a note of appreciation