Franklin Northwest Supervisory Union Board Meeting

Highgate Elementary School Library
December 7, 2016
6:30 PM

Agenda:

6:30 Call Meeting to Order

- Agenda Amendments

6:35 Correspondence and Public Comments

6:45 Approval of November 2nd SU Board Meeting Minutes (Action)

6:50 Financial Report

- Finance Report
- Special Ed, Early Childhood and Central Office Budgets – Draft 2
- Tax Commissioner's Recommendations

7:10 Superintendent's Report (Listen)

- AOE Required Policies and Procedures
- RISE VT Childhood Wellness Movement

7:25 Old Business

- Title I Schoolwide at MVU – Libby Bonesteel
- Special Education Hiring Update – Linda Chaim
- Act 46 Independent Study Committee Update

7:50 New Business

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8:00 Anticipated Executive Session (answer question – *Where premature general public knowledge would clearly place the Board or parties at a substantial disadvantage*)

- Contract Issue
- Negotiations Update

8:30 Exit Executive Session

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8:40 Future Meeting Dates

- FNWSU Board Meeting - Jan. 4th, 6:30 PM at MVU
- Act 46 Independent Study Committee Meeting: Dec. 14th, 7:00 PM @ MVU Library
- Negotiations Meetings
  - Teacher Negotiation Dates (all @ 7:00 PM in MVU Library) Dec. 19, Jan. 11
  - Support Staff Negotiations Dates: (all @ 6:00 PM in MVU Library) Feb. 2, Feb. 23

8:45 Adjournment

***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.