

Franklin Northwest Supervisory Union Board Meeting
Swanton Elementary School Library
January 30, 2018
6:30 PM

Agenda:

6:30 Call Meeting to Order

6:35 Correspondence and Public Comments

6:45 Old Business

- Authorize Letter to Governor Scott and Area Legislators (Action)
- Direct Act 46 Committee to Consider an Addition to the State Board Act 46 Committee Report (Action)
- SU Audit Management Letter Draft (Discussion)
- Prepare and Coordinate Local Budget Information Sessions and Related Communications (Discussion)
- Superintendent Search Update - Tom Gates (Information)

7:25 New Business

7:30 Superintendent's Report

- Legislative Update
 - Proposed New School Funding Law (Feedback)

7:45 Future Meeting Dates

- FNWSU Board Meeting – February 7th, 6:30 PM, MVU School Library
 - Superintendent Interviews

7:50 Anticipated Executive Session (answer question – *Where premature general public knowledge would clearly place the Board or parties at a substantial disadvantage*)

- Superintendent's Evaluation
- Advice from Legal Counsel

8:30 Exit Executive Session

- Possible Action

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.