

**Missisquoi Valley School District  
School Board Meeting  
Highgate Elementary School Library  
May 1, 2019  
6:30 PM**

**Agenda:**

**6:30 Superintendent Calls Meeting to Order**

- **Agenda Review**
- **Board Organization (Action)**
  - **Nominations for Board Chair**
  - **Nomination for Vice Chair**
  - **Nomination for Clerk**
  - **Authorization of Board Chair to sign Employment Contracts and Grants**
  - **Set Date and time of Regular Board Meetings**

**6:35 Correspondence, Items for Future Agendas and Public Comments**

**6:45 Transition Framework Update  
Next Steps**

**7:00 Fiscal  
Review and Discuss Merged School District Budget and possible approval**

**8:00 New Business  
If Articles of Agreement passes  
Nominations to fill three board vacancies/one from each town  
Set Date of the FY20 Budget Vote  
Review items to be Warned and possible Approval**

**8:15 Legislative Update  
Update on Merger Delay Status**

**8:25 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) Legal Issues**

**8:40 Future Meeting Dates  
Next MVSD Board Meeting- ? 6:30pm**

**8:45 Adjournment**

**\*Public Comments at Board Meetings**

The Franklin Northwest Supervisory Union Board, the Missisquoi Valley School District Transition Board 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.