

Franklin Northwest Supervisory Union Board Meeting
Sheldon Elementary School Library
January 3, 2018
6:30 PM

Agenda:

- 6:30 Call Meeting to Order**
- Agenda Amendments
- 6:35 Correspondence, Items for Future Agendas, and Public Comments**
- Wellness/Tobacco Policy and VSBA School Finance Primer – February Board Meeting
- 6:40 Approval of December 6th SU Board Meeting Minutes (Action)**
- 6:45 Every Student Succeed Act (ESSA) Presentation – Libby Bonesteel**
- 7:10 SU Budgets Approval (Action)**
- Review New SU Office Structure
 - SU Budgets Approval
- 7:45 Old Business**
- Designate Act 46 Team for the State Board Presentation (Action)
 - Review Letter to Governor Scott and Area Legislators (Action)
 - Superintendent Search Update - Tom Gates
- 8:15 New Business**
- Swanton ECP Expansion Grant Teacher Contract
- 8:20 Superintendent's Report**
- Legislative Update
- 8:30 Future Meeting Dates**
- FNWSU Board Meeting – February 7th, 6:30 PM, MVU School Library
 - Superintendent Interviews
- 8:35 Anticipated Executive Session (answer question – *Where premature general public knowledge would clearly place the Board or parties at a substantial disadvantage*)**
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- 8:40 Exit Executive Session**
- 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.