

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING  
Manitowoc Board of Education  
October 10, 2017

A regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by Board President Keith Shaw at 6:35 p.m. Members present were: Mr. Keith Shaw. Also present were Superintendent Mark Holzman and Board Secretary Laurie Braun.

Member absent: Ms. Linda Gratz, Ms. Karen Rohrer, Ms. Catherine Shallue, Ms. Elizabeth Williams and Mr. Dave Nickels,

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Director of Business Services Ken Mischler conducted a public hearing on the proposed 2017-2018 budget. A summary of the proposed 2017-2018 budget expenditures, revenues, total tax levy, equalized property value, and the net tax levy rate was provided. Mr. Mischler noted that the tentative budget numbers will be adjusted October 13, 2017 when the voucher numbers and final equalized aid are presented. Even with the referendum in consideration, the revenue limit is expected to decrease from \$50,409,190 to \$49,891,499 or a reduction of \$517,691 for 2017-18. The state equalization aid however, is projected to increase \$125,000. General Fund budgeted expenditures decreased 0.31% or \$178,005. It was noted that MPSD continues to be a low spending district according to the Wisconsin Information System for Education. There being no further comments, Board President Keith Shaw declared the public hearing closed at 6:59 p.m.

Board member Catherine Shallue arrived at 6:56 p.m.

Board President Keith Shaw acknowledged there were no communications.

Madison Elementary School Principal Matt Malcore and Teacher Cary Moyer shared information on their Peer Mediation Process and the roles their 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade Peer Mediators play. They discussed how teaching young people to become problem solvers, taking a problem and finding a solution for those involved. Several students from Madison presented a “mock” peer mediation to the Board and guests. The students explained the rules to the mediation and the end goal is working together to come to a solution.

Superintendent Holzman acknowledged the Superintendent and Directors Report. He extended his appreciation to staff members for their input.

Director Mischler presented the third Friday enrollment count to the Board. Discussion included this is the first year since 2006 that we have not had a decline in enrollment. Mr. Mischler also mentioned this is also the first year there are no students enrolled in Kindergarten ½ time. There was an increase of 20 students from 4K to 5K and enrollment is up 75 students at Washington Jr. High. Overall the district's enrollment is 5,160 students, the same as the 2016-2017 school year.

Board Members were asked to bring any questions regarding McKinley Academy to the next Board meeting so we may present them to McKinley Academy Principal, Luke Valitchka. Mr. Valitchka will provide responses to these questions at the November Board Meeting.

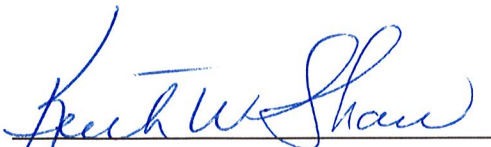
Discussion took place regarding the recent WASB Convention. Superintendent Holzman talked about this year's convention and how the highlighted topic was the State Budget. Also discussed was the significance of the lifetime licenses for teachers. The Convention also provided an opportunity for dinner and to discuss the upcoming January Convention. Superintendent Holzman also recognized Board President Keith Shaw as a Level 2 WASB member for Region 8.

Superintendent Holzman provided a District Activity Update which included the recent Homecoming week of events. Some of the events the community was able to take part in were the soccer game, the Homecoming parade, fireworks, and the football game. To add to the Homecoming Day festivities, we had a surprise appearance from the Manitowoc Minute Guy, Charlie Berens. Mr. Holzman also mentioned we will be hosting the Sectional Cross Country Meet in 2 weeks and if able to show support for this event. Also mentioned were the upcoming Parent Teacher Conferences and that November 3<sup>rd</sup> is end of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter.

Unfinished Business was not discussed with this not being a formal business meeting due to not having a quorum.

New Business was not discussed with this not being a formal business meeting due to not having a quorum.

No motion was needed to end the meeting due to not having a quorum. The meeting ended at 7:35 p.m.



Keith Shaw  
Board President

Respectfully submitted,  
Laurie Braun, Secretary