

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
Manitowoc Board of Education
October 22, 2013

A special meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by Board President Linda Gratz at 12:02 p.m. Members present were Ms. Karen Rohrer, Mr. Lee Braunel, Ms. Catherine Shallue, Mr. Dave Longmeyer, Mr. Dave Nickels, Mr. Keith Shaw, and Ms. Linda Gratz. Also present were Superintendent Marcia Flaherty and Board secretary Rebecca McLafferty.

Director of Business Services Ken Mischler referred to a memorandum from Bob Lang, Director of the Legislative Fiscal Bureau, regarding the effect of special session assembly bill LRB-3402/1 and special session senate bill 1 on general school aids distribution. Total tax levy funds are expected to total \$18.7 million, a decrease of 6.28%, with equalized property values decreasing approximately 1.13%. The net tax levy rate is expected to decrease approximately 5.22%, for an estimated tax levy rate of \$8.14/thousand. The deadline for the general aid distribution was moved from October 15 to October 31. School Boards must determine their property tax levy by November 6 instead of November 1. The November 10 certification date remains unchanged. Mischler reiterated that the proposed tax bill changes do not give the school district more money because the tax levy must be lowered. The regular school board meeting scheduled for November 12, 2013, will be changed to November 5, 2013, to accommodate these deadlines.

Board President Linda Gratz volunteered to be the Manitowoc Public School District's Representative to the 2014 Wisconsin Association of School Boards Delegate Assembly. Keith Shaw volunteered to be the alternate representative. The representative will attend the 2014 State Education Convention in Milwaukee in January, 2014.

Lincoln High School Principal Luke Valitchka gave a presentation on pre-expulsion and expulsion procedures. Valitchka commended LHS teachers and staff members for doing a great job of reinforcing behavioral expectations to students, and making students aware that increased behavioral issues causes increased consequences. Board members asked questions and conversation followed.

On motion by Keith Shaw, seconded by Lee Braunel, and carried, the meeting adjourned at 12:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca McLafferty, Secretary

Linda Gratz
Board President