

# Merrill Area Public Schools

*MAPS Mission Statement: Merrill Area Public Schools, in partnership with the Merrill Community and our families, will empower students to be lifelong learners, responsible citizens, and productive community members.*

## Regular Board of Education Meeting

Wednesday – May 18, 2022

5:30 PM

BOARD ROOM

**MAPS Central Administration Building**

(1111 N. Sales Street, Merrill, Wisconsin)

## AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call: Kevin Blake, Jacqueline Gremler, Chad Krueger, Ron Liberty, Kendra Osness, Paul Proulx, Maria Volpe, Brett Woller and Linda Yingling
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Written notice of this meeting has been posted and sent to the news media on Thursday, May 12, 2022
- V. Board Member/Administrator Expectations

NOTE: MAPS respects the role our elected Board members serve and the function of our Board meetings. Board members and administrators are committed to working collaboratively to provide our students a safe learning environment and the highest level of achievement. This meeting is a formal event and professional conduct is the expectation for all in attendance.

- VI. Public Comments to the Board / General Subject Matter Discussion

NOTE: The Board shall schedule fifteen minutes at the beginning of each regular meeting for members of the public to speak. Speakers will be allotted three minutes to address the Board. If you have a large group, please designate one representative to speak. Board members may ask clarifying questions during the comment section, but will usually postpone further discussion and/or action until further public input.

We appreciate your participation in the School Board meeting this evening. The Public Comment period is an important time for the Board to hear the concerns of its constituents. Nevertheless, prior to making a statement during the Public Comment period, you may wish to consider whether the content of your speech could be harmful to an individual person and if so, whether that person could have a legal claim against you related to the statement you make this evening.

We have been advised that the Wisconsin Supreme Court has specifically ruled that there is no absolute privilege which protects defamatory comments by speakers at Board meetings such as this. Therefore, please be aware that each speaker bears the personal risk if anything he/she says during the public comment period of the School Board meeting is defamatory, slanderous or otherwise harmful to another individual. Thank you.

- VII. Recognition

- VIII. Announcement of New Student School Board Representative for 2022-2023 School Year
- IX. Student BOE Representative Report
- X. Administrative Reports
  - a. Pine River School for Young Learners - Monthly Data - Enrollment Numbers, Health Screening, USDA/CACFP Meals for Students and P-Card Transactions
  - b. Director of Curriculum & Instruction Report - Human Growth and Development
  - c. Director of Special Education/Pupil Services Report - Open Enrollment
  - d. Human Resources/Budget/Technology Update - FY23 Budget Approval; Food Service Bid Status; Budget Performance Update; Budget Calendar Update; Open Positions; Replacement of SMART Board & Prometheans Projectors in Fieldhouse & Auditorium; HP Laptop Update; and, Vacant Positions
  - e. Food Participation Update
  - f. Director of Buildings & Grounds/Transportation Update - Building Consolidation Update; Summer Maintenance Projects; Transportation Updates; Capital Improvement Projects; Safety and Security; Aquatics; Department Meetings/Rounding
  - g. Superintendent's Report - Monthly Activities and Meetings; Administrator Evaluation Progress; Building Principal Meeting Agendas; ALT Meeting Agendas; CO Administrator Meeting Agendas; and Weekly Bulletins for Staff
- XI. Committee Reports/Action
  - a. Board and Membership Committee Appointments for 2022-2023 and Descriptions of Committees
  - b. Facilities Committee
  - c. Finance/HR Committee
  - d. Curriculum/Technology/Pupil Services Committee
- XII. Unfinished Business
  - a. None
- XIII. Board of Education Business
  - a. Resolution Authorizing the Transfer Of Funds, the Establishment of an Escrow Account With Respect To and the Defeasance of the Taxable General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2019, Dated October 24, 2019
  - b. Approval of 2022-2023 MADA Calendar
  - c. Approval of Washington DC and New York City Trip for 2023
  - d. Approval of Open Enrollment Applications

- e. Approval of Prairie River Middle School 1st and 3rd Floor Restroom Repairs
- f. Approval of Lifeguard Wage Structure
- g. Approval of 2022-2023 Summer Maintenance Projects
- h. 2022-2023 Staff Handbooks Review - Second Read and Approval
- i. Purchase of Capital Equipment for the Fab Lab
- j. Fund 46 Capital Improvement Plan
- k. Health Insurance Renewal
- l. Dental Insurance Renewal
- m. Voluntary Benefits Insurance Renewal
- n. FY23 Operational Insurance Renewal
- o. Approval of Federal COLA Supplement and Quality Improvement Funds
- p. Approval of Head Start State Supplemental Funds
- q. Capital Purchases for Metals Program
- r. Board of Education 2022-2023 Code of Ethics
- s. Technical Correction to Policy 5111.03
- t. Anonymous Donation for MHS Student Sponsorship to Summer Program
- u. High School Bluejay Nest Donation from Jon & Michelle Smith
- v. Personnel Report – Hirings, Recruitments and Resignations/Retirements

XIV. Consent Agenda

- a. Minutes of:     April 19, 2022 Regular Board Meeting  
                          April 25, 2022 Special Board Meeting - Organizational  
                          April 27, 2022 Special Board Meeting  
                          May 4, 2022 Special Board Meeting
- b. Claims & Vouchers and Receipts/Cash Reconciliation/Treasurer’s Report – Woller & Blake
- c. Donations

XV. Items for Future Meetings

- a. Unfinished Items for Future Meetings
  - Review Policy Committee Meeting frequency
  - Sub pay rate and different tiers

XVI. Radio Schedule: Thursday, May 19, 2022 at 8:15 AM @ Bluejay 730 Radio Station

XVII. Future Meetings

- School Forest Advisory: May 23, 2022 @ 4:00 p.m. at the School Forest
- Finance/HR Committee Meeting: Wednesday, May 25, 2022 @ 4:30 p.m. in the Board Room
- BVA Governance Board Meeting: Thursday, June 2, 2022 @ 12:45 p.m. virtually
- Curriculum/Technology/Pupil Services Committee Meeting: Wednesday, June 8, 2022 @ 4:30 p.m. in the Board Room
- Regular Board Meeting: Wednesday, June 15, 2022 @ 5:30 p.m. in the Board Room

XVIII. Contemplated MOTION to adjourn into executive (closed) session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes under Section 19.85(1) (c) considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility; (f) considering financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons except where par. (b) applies which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data, or involved in such problems or investigations.

The purpose of the closed session is to consider and act upon parental requests for student opt out of state assessments, including the potential for a closed session(s) to review the specifics applicable to the affected student(s) if the discussion of such in open session would be likely to have an adverse effect upon the reputation of such student(s) pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(f), Wis. Stats. Any such closed session(s) shall be immediately followed by reconvening in open session for further consideration and, ultimately, action upon the parental requests. Additionally to review specific administrator contracts in regards to administrators leaving the district under the terms of their contract and signing or not signing retirement/resignation agreements.

Closed Session

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Roll Call
- 3) Discuss Closed Session Item(s)
- 4) Adjournment of Closed Session

XIX. Contemplated motion to reconvene into open session for the Regular Board Meeting

- a. Act Upon Parental Requests for Student Opt-Out of State Assessments (if applicable and necessary)
- b. May Take Action Upon the Other Matters Discussed During the Closed Session Portion of the Meeting

XX. Adjournment

*Upon request to the District Office, submitted twenty-four (24) hours in advance, the District shall make reasonable accommodations, including the provision of informational material in an alternative format, for a disabled person to be able to attend this meeting.*