

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 – April 17, 2024

5:30 PM

BOARD ROOM

MAPS Central Administration Building

(1111 N. Sales Street, Merrill, Wisconsin)

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call: Nubs Ashbeck, Kevin Blake, Jacqueline Gremler, Chad Krueger, Ron Liberty, Kendra Osness, Paul Proulx, 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, April 11, 2024
- 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.

- VII. Recognition
- VIII. Recognition of Outgoing Board Members and Welcome New
- IX. Student BOE Representative Report
- X. Administrative Reports
 - a. Director of Curriculum & Instruction Report - School Forest Overnights
 - b. Director of Pupil Services/Special Education - Northern Achievement Center
 - c. Pine River School for Young Learners - Monthly Data - Enrollment Numbers, Documents from the Office of Head Start, Health Screening, USDA Meals for Students and P-Card Statements

- d. Food Service
 - e. Director of Business Services Report - Budget Meetings; Enrollment Projections with Staffing Decisions; and, Postings
 - f. Superintendent's Report - Community Education Program; and Superintendents/ Meeting with Rural Districts
- XI. Committee Reports/Action
- a. Finance/HR Committee
 - b. Curriculum/Technology/Pupil Services Committee
- XII. Unfinished Business
- a. None
- XIII. Board of Education Business
- a. 2024 Summer Academy Program
 - b. Elementary Student Handbook 2024-2025
 - c. Prairie River Middle School Course Descriptions 2024-2025
 - d. High School Student Handbook/Planner for 2024-2025
 - e. Approval of Head Start Training and Technical (T/TA) Assistance Plan for 2024-2025
 - f. Coach Positions for Social-emotional Learning (SEL) Curriculum
 - g. Food Service Contract Addendum
 - h. Decodable Classroom Library Books Purchase
 - i. New Playgrounds
 - j. CESA 9 Shared Service Contract Addendum
 - k. Updated Facilities Projects
 - l. Health Insurance for 2024-2025
 - m. Dental Insurance for 2024-2025
 - n. Voluntary Benefits
 - o. Revision to Teacher Comp Plan
 - p. CTE Coordinator Position
 - q. Administrator and Professional Staff Compensation Plan

- r. Support Staff Reduction
- s. Referendum Information Recap and Next Steps
- t. Personnel Report – Hirings, Recruitments and Resignations/Retirements

XIV. Consent Agenda

- a. Minutes of: March 27, 2024 Regular Board Meeting
 April 10, 2024 Special Board Meeting
- b. Policy - Second Readings

 NEOLA Vol. 33, No. 1 Policy Update

 Policy 6611 District-Supported/Sponsored Student Activity Accounts
- c. Claims & Vouchers and Receipts/Cash Reconciliation/Treasurer's Report – Liberty & Osness
- d. Donations

XV. Items for Future Meetings

- a. Unfinished Items for Future Meetings
 - Future of Jefferson School
 - Informing the community how the Board operates
 - Other sports using HUDL

XVI. Radio Schedule: Thursday, April 18, 2024, at 8:15 AM @ Bluejay 730 Radio Station

XVII. Future Meetings

- Special Board Meeting - Organizational Meeting: Monday, April 22, 2024 @ 5:30 p.m. in the Board Room
- BVA Governance Board Meeting: Thursday, April 25, 2024 @ 12:45 p.m. virtually
- Safety Committee Meeting: Monday, April 29, 2024 @ 12:30 p.m. in the Board Room
- Facilities Committee Meeting: Wednesday, May 1, 2024 @ 3:30 p.m. in the Board Room
- BVA Governance Board Meeting: Tuesday, May 7, 2024 @ 12:45 p.m. virtually
- Curriculum/Technology/Pupil Services Committee Meeting: Wednesday, May 8, 2024 @ 4:30 p.m. in the Board Room
- Finance/HR Committee Meeting: Wednesday, May 8, 2024 @ 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room
- Head Start Policy Council: Tuesday, May 14, 2024 @ 5:30 p.m. at PRSYL
- Regular Board Meeting: Wednesday, May 15, 2024 @ 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)(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.

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

- 1) Act Upon Parental Requests for Student Opt-Out of State Assessments (if applicable and necessary)
- 2) Act on Any Other Closed Session Item(s) (if applicable and necessary)

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.