



Madison School Board

President's Presentation
Monday May 8, 2006



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- Board Expectations
- Committees & Assignments
- Possible Agenda Items For Future School Board Meetings
- June 19th Brainstorming/Planning
- Questions



Expectation of Respect

- Public Expectations
- Build Trust: Agree to Disagree but not be Disagreeable.
- Build Confidence: Work Together.
- Be Efficient: Use time wisely at meetings
- Be Effective: Make decisions – and move on.
- Have some fun!



School Board Committees

- Working committees
- Timelines and Deadlines
- Dual meetings on Monday nights
- Meet on other nights of the week
- Create Ad Hoc Committees
- Make recommendations
- Report to the full board
- Members assigned based on their knowledge, skills, and interests = success!



Finance & Operations

- Lawrie Kobza, Chair
- Carol Carstensen and Lucy Mathiak, members
- Items to consider:
 - Budget Process for 07-08
 - Budget Document
 - Recommendations for Cost Savings
 - Under Enrolled Schools – Affiliated Alt., Charter School, others...



Long Range Planning

- Carol Carstensen, Chair
- Lawrie Kobza and Arlene Silveira, members
- Items to consider:
 - City Wide Task Force/Working Committee
 - 5 year plan related to future building referendums
 - After the committee/board approves – the board/administration will meet w/City Council, Fitchburg Council and Madison part of Dane Co. Supervisors



Human Resources

- Ruth Robarts, Chair
- Shwaw Vang & Lawrie Kobza, members
- Items to consider:
 - Compare Teacher & Administrator Salaries at County, State and National levels
 - Reports on Minority Recruitment & Affirmative Action
 - Administrative Political Activity
 - Compare Health Care Programs & Options



Performance & Achievement

- Shwaw Vang, Chair
- Carol Carstensen & Ruth Robarts, members
- Items to consider:
 - Report, Analyze & Evaluate: District Reading, Math, TAG, Project Excel and others
 - Report on “Digital Districts”/Virtual Classes
 - Report from Expulsion & Truancy
 - Alternatives to Suspensions
 - Expulsions: Analyze Process and Procedures?



Community Partnerships

- Lucy Mathiak, Chair
- Shwaw Vang & Arlene Silveira, members and two citizens
- Fall & Spring Report from MSCR
- Reports from Fine Arts Coor. on Community Fine Arts Programs/Committee
- Oversight of Community Services Programs



Community Partnerships (cont'd)

- Special Assistant to the Superintendent
- Program oversight with site visits, consultation and program evaluation.
- Increased accountability by reports to the Committee.
- Urban League, Centro, CHHI, WCATY, My Cap, AAEA & possibility others.



Community Partnerships (cont'd)

- Items to consider:
 - Example: Work w/ Admin. (or give directive to) to develop mechanism to collaborate with community strings programs (WYSO & others) for recruiting students.
 - Strengthen collaborations with neighborhood centers, community organizations and U.W. Programs.



Communications/Legislative

- Arlene Silveira, Chair
- Lucy Mathiak & Ruth Robarts, members and 4 members
- Reports regarding Legislative issues affecting schools.
- Items to Consider:
 - Positive Press Campaign for the MMSD
 - Recruitment of Allies for School Funding
 - Utilize the "East Model" district wide
 - Maximize Channel 10 MMSD TV potential



Student Representative

- Monthly report from Student Senate Meetings



Board President's Responsibilities to the Committees

- Coordinate Board's activities
- Facilitate Committees' **SUCCESS!!**



Board Responsibilities

include but are not limited to:

- Bargaining
- Building Referendum
- Equity and Animals in Classroom Task Force Recommendations
- Superintendent's Evaluation
- Policy Oversight (e.g., Cell Antennas)
- Other interests of the community



Focus on Monday June 19th

- Brainstorm Ideas
- Generate Agenda Items/Ideas – Who's responsible? Entire Board? Standing Committee? Ad Hoc Committee? Task Force? Staff Briefing? Staff Directive?
- Prioritize Committee Goals & Board Goals



Conclusion

- Our school board will work cooperatively, effectively and respectfully
- Board Committees have assignments & possible charges
- Bring ideas for potential agenda items
- June 19th Brainstorming and Planning For 2006-07 School Year



School Board Goals 06-07

Trust

Confidence

Efficient

Effective

Questions?

Thank you!