AGENDA

BOARD OF EDUCATION – Regular Meeting – Monday, May 20, 2013
Library – Macomb Jr./Sr. High School - 7:00 p.m.
1525 South Johnson Street, Macomb, IL  61455

Note: Those attending the Board meeting should enter Macomb Jr./Sr. High School at entrance "A", located on the east side of the building.

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In setting its agenda, the Board attempts to link its items with the values and goals in the District’s overall Mission Statement, which you will find below. Specific parallels will often be noted on the agenda:

Mission Statement
Macomb Community Unit School District No. 185 provides educational experiences that prepare each student for a successful future.

Strategic Goals
Macomb CUSD 185 will... 
  o Provide a high quality, well-rounded, educational experience that engages, challenges, and supports each student.
  o Recruit, develop, and retain highly qualified, caring, compassionate staff who form relationships with students to enhance learning.
  o Be prudent stewards of our resources through intentional planning and budgeting.
  o Provide and maintain high quality facilities and infrastructure that support a safe and nurturing learning environment.
  o Provide focused, transparent leadership that builds relationships with students, families, and the community.

District Values
• Responsibility
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- We value our responsibility to ensure that our children become productive citizens.
- Learning
  - We value an education which challenges individuals, promotes exploration, encourages collaboration and inspires all to become life-long learners.
- Respect
  - We value integrity, honesty, and a respect for the ideas presented in the learning process and the environment in which they are presented.
- Safety
  - We value safety by creating an environment that protects and nurtures the individual.
- Service
  - We value service by giving back to our community.
- Equity
  - We value diversity within our District by supporting fair treatment and equal opportunity.
- Excellence
  - We value excellence in all that we do.

Routine/Regular Business

7:00 p.m.  1. Call to Order – Mr. Matthew Bierman, Board President

7:01 p.m.  2. Pledge of Allegiance – Mr. Bierman

7:02 p.m.  3. Roll Call – Ms. Lisa Mooney, Recording Secretary

7:03 p.m.  4. Recognition of Students, Staff Members, and Community Members – Mr. Bierman

4.1 The Board of Education recognizes Jackson Cavett, son of Lynn and Cindy Cavett, for being selected Senior of the Month for April, 2013. Jack is very involved in school activities which include cross country, basketball, track and field, tennis, Interact Club, marching band, wind symphony, and National Honor Society. Community involvement is also very important to Jack. He participates in the Road Racers Club, rings bells for the Bell Choir at the 1st Presbyterian Church, helps at the church rummage sale, and volunteers at the Little Bomber Basketball camp. Jack has earned many honors while at MHS such as Illinois All State Academic Team, Illinois State Scholar, Peoria Journal Start Scholar Athlete, Cross Country MVP, 2009, 2011 and 2012 track and field most dedicated 2012 and Macomb High School basketball co-MVP 2013. Jack’s work experience includes WIU’s Horn Field Campus where he belayed the high ropes course and climbing tower. He enjoys sports, including ultimate Frisbee, disc golf, running and hockey, as well as camping, reading and movies. After graduating from MHS, Jack plans to attend Bradley University and major in Mechanical Engineering.
4.2 The Board of Education recognizes Margaret McGowan, daughter of Michael and Cheryl McGowan, for being selected Senior of the Month for May 2013. Margaret is involved in many school activities, including Thespians, Wind Symphony Concert Choir, Madrigals, Rotary Interact Club, Marching Band and MHS Choir Council Librarian. She is also involved in the community through the Dead Theologians Society, Macomb and Canton and a Cantor at St. Paul church. Margaret has earned many honors during her high school years such as Illinois State Scholar, All-State Honors Chorus, The Instrumentalist Magazine Merit Award, earned highest score in Soprano I division at District IV Musical Festival. She enjoys reading novels and cooking in her spare time. She also studies vocal technique with Terry Chasteen and ballet in the Community Ballet School, and her work experience includes dishwasher at the Everly House Retirement Center. After graduating from MHS, Margaret plans to attend Southern Illinois University to pursue a degree in French and ESL. She also plans to minor in Spanish.

This program is sponsored by the Mid-America National Bank, who established the program to recognize the accomplishments of outstanding senior students.

4.3 The Board of Education recognizes Eli Cousins, son of Kristie Kump and James Cousins, for being selected the Outstanding Career-Technical Student of the Year.

The Western Area Career System recognizes exemplary students enrolled in career-technical courses based on attendance, attitude, leadership and technical skills demonstrated during class and related activities.

4.4 The Board recognizes the MSHS Math Team for their successful season and competition at the ICTM State meet at U of I.

4.5 The Board recognizes the MJHS Science Olympiad team for their 3rd place finish at State competition.

4.6 The Board of Education recognizes the WYSE team for their 3rd place finish in their division at State competition.

4.7 The Board recognizes Mrs. Diana Cremer, teacher at MacArthur Early Childhood Center, for being chosen as the Spring 2013 recipient of the Donald L. Troyer Outstanding Mentor Teacher Award.

4.8 2012-2013 Class of Mentees/Mentors

The following veteran and first year teachers are recognized for participating in and successfully completing the mentoring program:
Brianne Policha  Jessica Orris
Jenna Thompson  Lindsay Schwerer
Jenny Geisler    Kate Hall
Shawn Hanold     Lynn vanAlstine
Kathy Burdick    Maureen Wallen
Jami Minter      Angie Schauble
Jeremy Anderson  Kris Thrapp
Zach Keene       Marshal Jordan
Tyler Taylor     Ginger Shryack
Tabitha Swain    Maureen Wallen
Madison Mershon  Mary Teresa Kessler

**District Mission Statement**

7:20 p.m.  5.  Board Comments and Correspondence – Mr. Bierman

7:25 p.m.  6.  Information Items – Dr. Reuschel  **Goal: Community Relations**

6.1 Macomb High Band placed third in their class for the 2013 IHSA Music Solo and Ensemble and Organization Contests.

6.2 Thanks from the Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center to MHS for the recently held blood drive, which yielded thirty-two units of blood.

6.3 FOIA Requests Received

**The Superintendent recommends approval of all action items.**

7:30 p.m.  7.  Consent Calendar – Mr. Bierman

7.1 Consider approval of minutes from the April 15, 2013, public hearing regarding reduction in force  PP. 7-8
7.2 Consider approval of minutes from the April 15, 2013, regular Board meeting  PP.9-12
7.3 Consider approval of minutes from the April 25, special Board meeting  P. 13
7.4 Consider approval of minutes from the April 25, 2013, reorganizational Board meeting  PP.14-15
7.5 Consider approval of minutes from the May 6, 2013, special Board meeting/work session  P. 16

**Goal: Communication**

7.6 Consider approval of the Treasurer's Report  P. 17
7.7 Consider approval of Investment Report  P. 18
7.8 Consider approval of Monthly Board Report  PP.19-34
7.9 Consider approval of Bills and Payroll  PP.35-65
7.10 Consider approval of Financial Update on Life Safety Projects (.05 levy) P. 66
7.11 Consider approval of Financial Update on Life Safety Projects PP.67-68
7.12 Consider approval of Monthly Activity Account Reports PP.69-75
7.13 Consider approval of Food Service Report P. 76
7.14 Consider approval of State Funding Update PP.77-78

Goal: Funding

7:35 p.m. 8. Review and consider approval of the minutes from the closed meetings held during the April 15, 2013, regular meeting and the April 25 and May 6, 2013, special meetings – Mr. Bierman

7:40 p.m. 9. Action Upon Personnel Recommendations – Mr. Bierman

Goal: Teacher Quality

7:45 p.m. 10. Old Business – Mr. Bierman

10.1 Conduct second reading on proposed changes to Policy 6:310 and consider approval – Mr. Bierman PP.79-82

10.2 Approve minimum participation numbers for athletics per recommendation of the Athletic Director – Mr. Bierman PP.83-86

7:50 p.m. 11. New Business – Mr. Bierman

11.1 Discussion

a. Announcement of Board of Education committee appointments – Mr. Bierman

Facilities and Transportation – Ardell Thompson, Jill Myers
Curriculum and Scholarship – Larry Adams, Jim La Prad
Finance and Insurance – Jude Kiah, Chris Sutton
Policy – Jill Myers, Ardell Thompson, Jim La Prad
Handbook – Jill Myers
Western Division Representative – Ardell Thompson
IASB Delegate – Larry Adams

b. Review District Strategic Plan – Dr. Reuschel

c. Report from Board Finance/Insurance Committee on the April 24 and May 8, 2013, District Insurance Committee
meetings – Mr. Bierman and Mr. Kiah, Committee Representatives

**Goal: Resources**

11.2 Consideration for action

a. Approve 6% increase for insurance premium effective July 1, 2013, per recommendation of the District Insurance Committee – Mr. Bierman

b. Approve change from HFN 20 network plan to HFN CHC Elite/Premier plan, effective January 1, 2014 – Mr. Bierman

c. Approve bid from Excess Risk/Companion for provision of reinsurance/stop loss coverage for the District health insurance plan, effective July 1, 2013 – Mr. Bierman

d. Approve addition to Administrators’ evaluation instrument – Mr. Bierman

e. Accept engagement letter for Gabriel Roederer Smith & Company to perform GASB 45 valuation for FYE June 30, 2013 – Mr. Bierman

f. Approve technology lease in the amount of $166,311.61 for network upgrades during fiscal years 2013, 2014, 2015, and 2016 – Mr. Bierman

g. Approve the final 2012-2013 District calendar – Mr. Bierman

**Goal: Leadership**

8:30 p.m. 12. Consider holding a closed meeting for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), collective negotiating matters, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2), student discipline, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9), and pending or imminent litigation, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) – Mr. Bierman

9:30 p.m. 13. Adjourn – Mr. Bierman

The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for Monday, June 17, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. in the Library at Macomb Jr./Sr. High School.