

## The Board of Education

The Board of Education is a policy-making body comprised of five residents of the school district. Members of the Board are elected by the voters of the district and serve a four-year term. The Board derives its powers and responsibilities from the Ohio General Assembly to establish a sound educational philosophy.

The Board of Education establishes policy:

- ✓ To be responsible to the residents of the school district
- ✓ To serve as a policy-making body
- ✓ To develop sound financial plans based upon educational needs and available resources
- ✓ To provide leadership for the education progress
- ✓ To be responsible for the employment and evaluations of the Superintendent and Treasurer
- ✓ To recognize the Superintendent's responsibility for all administrative functions
- ✓ To refer applications, complaints, communication and other matters directly to the Superintendent
- ✓ To approve an annual school calendar
- ✓ To levy taxes when residents approve a tax issue
- ✓ To serve as the chief advisor to the Superintendent on community affairs
- ✓ Inform the public about the progress and needs of the schools

## Your Board of Education and District Leadership

Daniel Gaver, President of the Board  
E. Susanne Bline, Vice-President of the Board  
Scott DeLong, Member of the Board  
Brian Forrest, Member of the Board  
Paul McMahill, Member of the Board  
Dr. Bobby Moore, Superintendent  
Patricia Sheffield, Treasurer  
Danielle Prohaska, Director of Teaching & Learning  
Scott Wasserman, Junior High and High School Principal  
Ronald Widman, Elementary Principal  
Marlo Schipfer, Athletic Director  
Paul Boggs, Director of Maintenance  
Barbara Woodruff, Transportation Supervisor

We appreciate your attendance at the Mechanicsburg Exempted Village School District Board of Education Meeting.

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## Welcome To the Mechanicsburg Exempted Village School District Board of Education



## District Goals

- 1. Prioritize student learning and achievement for all students.**
- 2. Maintain a fiscally responsible and stable school district.**
- 3. Improve collaboration skills among staff, administrators and Board of Education.**
- 4. Focus on customer service, relationships and school safety.**

# Welcome to Tonight's Meeting

## Welcome!

We are pleased you have taken the time to attend tonight's Board of Education Meeting, and encourage you to do so in the future.

## The Agenda

Copies of the agenda for tonight's meeting are located on a table to the left as you enter the room. The agenda outlines the order in which the business will be handled during the meeting.

- I. Call to order and Roll Call
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Celebration and Recognition.  
Recognition of Guests, Public Participation, and Communications
- IV. Discussion Items
  - A. Old Business
  - B. New Business
- V. Board Committee Reports
- VI. Treasurer of the Board
- VII. Recommendations of the Superintendent of Schools
- VIII. Executive Session to discuss personnel
- IX. Personnel Items
- X. Adjournment

The agenda is prepared by the Superintendent and Treasurer with input from the President of the Board of Education. All board members receive an agenda with supporting materials a few days before the meeting so they may study

the material carefully and be ready for discussions or to take action.

## Executive Sessions

Sometimes the board will leave the meeting to go into executive session. Executive sessions are permitted by Ohio law in order to deliberate certain sensitive issues. These issues include: personnel matters, property purchases, possible legal action, employee negotiations, security arrangements, and items the law requires the Board to keep confidential. Executive sessions are for discussion only. All Board action is taken in public session.

## Public Participation

Although it is a Board of Education meeting there is still an opportunity for the public to ask questions, seek information, or offer suggestions for the school district. This is done during the Public participation portion of the agenda. To allow the Board to complete what is usually a very full agenda public participation may be limited. Each person addressing the Board should sign in on the clipboard inside the door. Please list your name and address. This will allow us to follow up with you if needed. Items of discussion are subject to the following guidelines:

1. Questions relating to individual problems and concerns, instruction or discipline should first be directed to the school staff, the teacher or advisor, then the principal, then the Superintendent, and finally the Board of Education.
2. Questions about individual members of the district's faculty, staff and administration are

- out of order in public Board meetings and should instead be taken to the school administrator closest to the situation.
3. The Board President is in charge of the meeting and has the right to limit discussion of an item.
4. Complex issues or issues which need to be researched will likely be deferred to a later meeting.

## District Core Values

We will never lose sight that "student learning" is a priority among the many goals of the school district.

We will always strive to build and maintain meaningful relationships with all staff, students, parents and community members and create a "Family Atmosphere."

We will never lose sight of the fact that children make mistakes and that this is a natural part of the learning process.

We will always be respectful, caring and giving.

We will always be respectful of individuals' diversities and opinions.

We will always value our identity of being a small school in a wonderful town.

We will always value the district's and community's rich history, heritage and alumni.

We will always solicit community, student and staff feedback and involvement.

We will always explore opportunities for children to showcase their talents and interests in a variety of programs.