

SHELDON SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
SHELDON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LIBRARY
January 12, 2016
5:30 PM

AGENDA:

- 5:30pm Call Meeting to Order
- Agenda Amendments
- 5:35pm Comments and Correspondence from the Public (Listen)
- Possible Topics for Future Board Meeting Agendas
- 5:40pm Approval of December 8th Board Meeting Minutes (Action)
- 5:45pm Business Report
- Check Warrants (Action)
 - Finalize School Budget (Action)
- 6:10pm Principal's Report
- Updates, Announcements, and Celebrations
 - Leading, Teaching, and Learning
 - Calendar Highlights
- 6:35pm Superintendent's Report
- Board Member Elections
 - Legislative Update
 - Solar Electric Update
 - Act 46 Update
 - Side by Side Options
 - Act 46 Feedback Forums
 - January 13th in Swanton
 - January 20th in Sheldon
 - January 27th in Highgate
 - Anthony Muhammed Professional Learning
 - Board Members Invited - Feb. 1st
 - Legion Hall - St. Albans
- 6:55pm Old Business
- HVAC Control Tech Repair Update
 - School Siding Repair Update
- 7:00pm New Business (Action)
- Board Message for Town Report
- 7:05pm Anticipated Executive Session -

(Answer the Executive Session Compliance Question... *Where premature public knowledge would clearly place the Board or other party at a substantial disadvantage*)

- ESP Negotiations Issue

7:15pm Exit Executive Session Possible Action

7:25pm Future Board Meeting Dates

- Sheldon Elementary Board Meeting - February 9th @ 5:30 PM
- FNWSU Board Meeting - April 6th @ 6:30 PM at Swanton Central

7:30pm Adjournment

FY2016 Board Goals

1. The Board regularly evaluates progress toward meeting established school goals specific to student learning.
2. The Board engages the community meaningfully in understanding changes in the education system needed for the 21st century.
3. Regular Board Meetings are efficient and generally last no more than 2-3 hours.

***Public Comments at Board Meetings**

The FNWSU and District School Boards are working to improve the response to public comments made at Board meetings.

The Board reserves the right to ask visitors the following questions before they are invited to address complaints to the Board:

- Have you directed your complaint through our "Complaint" Policy i.e.
 - Attempt to address the complaint first with teacher/staff member, and,
 - If not satisfied, discuss complaint with the principal, and,
 - Still not resolved, then meet with the superintendent,
 - Only then, will the Board hear your concern at a Board meeting.
- When speaking with the Board, if the complaint becomes personal, disrespectful, or threatening, then the Board chair may rule the speaker "Out of Order" or,
- If the complaint addresses specific personnel or is evaluative then the Board chair may invite the complainant into executive session, and,
- The Board chair may limit speaking time for each individual and ask that similar points of view from multiple speakers not be presented.

Anyone making a comment can expect a response from the Board that will fall into one of the following categories:

- Thank the person with no further action planned.
- Respond immediately by the Board chair or administration.
- Direct the administration to contact and respond to the person.
- Seek clarification from the administration at a specified meeting.

- Add the topic to a future Board agenda.
- Refer the matter to an executive session.
- Hold a public hearing on the matter.
- Send a note of appreciation.