
NOTICE

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of Fort Atkinson will be held on Thursday, September 18, 2008, at 7:00 p.m., in the Board Room at the Luther Administration Center, 201 Park Street, Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin. Among the items to be considered, in addition to its regular business, the Board will:

- Receive a presentation from Young Auditorium;
- Receive a 2008 Summer School Program report;
- Receive a report on ACT results;
- Consider data point reports;
- Receive a Strategic Plan report;
- Receive a report on the start of school;
- Consider early graduation requests;
- Consider HSED requests;
- Receive Board committee reports;
- Discuss future meeting dates and start time;
- Consider receipt of gifts;
- Consider board policies;
- Consider appointments, resignations, and/or retirements;
- Receive a treasurer's report and consider payment of bills; and
- Receive WASB and CESA 2 reports;

The Board of Education may also consider a resolution to go into closed session as authorized under ss.19.82 (1) and 19.85 (1) and 19.85 (1) (c) of Wisconsin Statutes to discuss negotiations and personnel matters.

The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

Rodger Thomann, Clerk
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF FORT ATKINSON

If you require special accommodations to fully participate, please notify the School District office by telephone (920) 563-7807 or in writing 24 hours prior to the meeting time.

School District of Fort Atkinson
Board of Education

ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR REGULAR MEETING

**September 18, 2008
7:00 PM**

Luther Administration Center
201 Park Street
Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin 53538

Strategic Plan Mission Statement

The School District of Fort Atkinson is committed to delivering the quality opportunities and services each student needs to achieve his or her academic and personal potential

AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Meeting Will be Called to Order by President Kent Koebke
- B. Roll Call Will be Taken
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Reading of the Mission Statement

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting Dated August 21, 2008

The Board may wish to consider the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the regular meeting dated August 21, 2008, be approved.

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____

Board Action _____

III. RECOGNITIONS

- A. Recognition of Seth Kleinschmidt

The Board of Education will recognize Seth Kleinschmidt for winning first place in the international individual competition for Future Problem Solving. Approximately 1,500 students out of 50,000 students world-wide earned their way to the international competition.

B. Recognition of Joe Loof

The Board of Education will recognize Joe Loof for achieving the highest possible score of 36 on the ACT national test. Joe was one of 11 college-bound students in Wisconsin and one of 172 in the United States to achieve a perfect score.

C. Recognition of Crossroads Graduate(s)

The Board of Education will recognize Crossroads graduate(s).

D. Partnership Award

The Board of Education will present the Partnership Award to Verna Kriedeman for volunteer efforts in preparing envelopes for the monthly parent newsletter mailings.

IV. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON AGENDA AND NONAGENDA ITEMS

V. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Kim LeRoy and Joe Loof will serve as student representatives to the Board of Education for the 2008-09 school year. They may present a student representative report. Will Cook, a representative from the Middle School, may also present a report.

VI. INSTRUCTION

A. Presentation from Young Auditorium

Ms. Shannon Dozoryst will present information on programs at Young Auditorium in Whitewater.

B. Report on the 2008 Summer School Program

Mrs. Connie Swantz, Summer School Director, will report on the 2008 Summer School Program.

C. Report on ACT Results

Dr. Jeff Zaspel, Principal at the Fort High School, will present ACT college entrance exam results.

D. Data Point Reports

The Board may wish to discuss data point reports.

E. Strategic Plan Report

Superintendent Dr. Fitzpatrick will report on the Strategic Plan Diversity Goal.

F. Report on the Start of School

Dr. Fitzpatrick and Barrie Principal Tony Bolz will present information on the start of the 2008-09 school year, including the new 4K Program.

G. Requests for Early Graduation Option from Fort Atkinson High School

High School Principal Jeff Zaspel will present information regarding a high school senior who are requesting to graduate from Fort Atkinson High School at the end of the first semester of the 2008-09 school year. The Board may wish to consider the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that current Fort Atkinson High School senior AK who made application for early graduation in writing to the high school principal be permitted to graduate at the end of the first semester of the 2008-09 school year provided they have met the requirements for graduation as set forth in Board Policy 345.6.

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____

Board Action _____

H. Approval of Postsecondary At-Risk HSED Requests

The Board may wish to consider any requests received.

I. Board Curriculum Committee Report

A member of the Board Curriculum Committee may wish to present a report.

VII. NONINSTRUCTION

A. Board Buildings and Grounds Committee Report

A member of the Board Buildings and Grounds Committee may wish to present a report.

B. Board Finance Committee Report

A member of the Board Finance Committee may wish to present a report.

C. Board Communication Committee Report

A member of the Board Communication Committee may wish to present a report including information on the Strategic Plan Communication Agenda goal.

D. Board Policy Committee Report

A member of the Board Policy Committee may wish to present a report.

E. Board Meeting Dates and Start Time

The Board may wish to consider future Board Meeting dates and start time.

F. Receipt of Gifts to the School District

The Board may wish to consider the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accept the donation of gift certificates from Nasco International Inc., for new teachers and concrete tables and benches to Rockwell Elementary from DAnn Koebke, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education thank Nasco International Inc., and DAnn Koebke for the generous donations.

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____

Board Action _____

VIII. PERSONNEL

A. Appointments, Resignations and/or Retirements

The Board may wish to consider the following resignation and any other appointments, resignations and/or retirement requests received before the time of the Board Meeting.

BE IT RESOLVED that the resignation request of Gary Olson, Agriculture Teacher at the High School, effective October 31, 2008, be accepted, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that section 1.05(6) of the negotiated agreement between the Board of Education and the Fort Atkinson Education Association, Inc., be applied; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education thank Gary Olson for his eight years of service and dedication to the students and community of the School District of Fort Atkinson.

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____

Board Action _____

IX. TREASURER'S REPORT

A. Financial Report by the Treasurer

B. Payment of District Bills

The following resolution is recommended by the treasurer and administration:

BE IT RESOLVED that District bills be approved for payment as posted up to September 10, 2008 in the amount \$140,681.47 and the construction bills in the amount of \$896,441.79.

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____

Board Action _____

X. WASB / CESA REPORT(S)

XI. ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

- A. Date for Board/Administration Joint Meeting - The Board may wish to consider meeting with the Administrative Team on Friday, January 16, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. to review the progress of the Strategic Plan.
- B. GATE report
- C. Report on enrollment
- D. Youth Options request(s)
- E. October adjustments/tax levy
- F. School Nutrition Program Report
- G. Carl Perkins Consortium approval

XII. CLOSED SESSION

The Board of Education may wish to consider the following resolution to go into closed session under authority granted in Wisconsin Statutes 19.82(1) and 19.85(1) and 19.85(1)(c):

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education convene in closed session as authorized under ss. 19.82(1) and 19.85(1) and 19.85(1)(c) of Wisconsin Statutes to discuss negotiations and personnel matters.

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____

Board Action _____

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,
Dr. James Fitzpatrick, Superintendent of Schools



SCHOOL DISTRICT OF FORT ATKINSON

201 Park Street
FORT ATKINSON, WISCONSIN 53538
(920) 563-7804

September 2, 2008

Ms. Verna Kriedeman
104 Spry Avenue
Fort Atkinson, WI 53538

Dear Ms. Kriedeman:

I am pleased to announce that you are the September recipient of the School District of Fort Atkinson's Partnership Award. The Partnership Award program was initiated twelve years ago to recognize special partnerships that exist between our community and the school district.

You were nominated by Mrs. Debbie Kopps from Dr. Fitzpatrick's Office. Mrs. Kopps cited in her nomination that every month, you volunteer your time to the School District of Fort Atkinson. You prepare the envelopes so families receive Dr. Fitzpatrick's monthly newsletters. You pick up blank envelopes, affixes over 1,500 labels, separate out of and in town addresses, stamp them with the pre-sort mark, count and deliver the envelopes to the District Office. You also join the other volunteers and stuff the newsletters into the envelopes. Mrs. Kopps noted that she can always count on you to do a job "well-done" when preparing for mass mailings. Your help to the School District of Fort Atkinson is truly appreciated!

You will be recognized at our next school board meeting, which is scheduled to take place on Thursday, September 18th at 7:00 p.m. at the J.F. Luther Administrative Center, 201 Park Street. We hope that you can attend. The award presentation will take place in the early stages of the meeting. If you have any questions about your nomination and/or the upcoming recognition, please feel free to contact me at (920) 563-7804.

We thank you for your ongoing support and many contributions to our district.

Sincerely,


John Peterson, Director of Pupil Services

cc: Board of Education Newsletter Item
Randy Dullum, Daily Jefferson County Union
Dr. James Fitzpatrick, District Administrator
Mrs. Debbie Kopps, Secretary to Dr. Fitzpatrick

Summer School 2008 – Final Report
Connie Swantz, Summer School Coordinator
September 18, 2008

Dates: June 14 – August 25

Total Students Enrolled: 1302
(2007) 1294

Teachers Employed: 108 (89 - District Teachers)
(2007) 109

Aides/Secretaries Employed: 11
(2007) 12

Number of Courses Offered: 122
(2007) 116

Materials Fee: \$10.00
(2007) \$10.00

Full Time Equivalent: 88.0
(2007) 87.0

Total Pupil Minutes (4,261,652) / 48, 600 = FTE)

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Highlights:

- **Two sections of Career Pathways (increase of 17 students)**
- **Total Enrollment increased**
- **More students**
- **Breakfast in a Bag**
- **New classes were offered:**
 - **Luther Learning Time**
 - **Purdy Panther Family Literacy and Math Nights**
 - **South High Street Singers Summer Camp**
 - **Reading Adventures/Math Mania (special education classes)**

School District of Fort Atkinson
2008 Summer Curriculum Statistics

Participation Demographics

▪ **39 Teams**

- ✓ 8 Elementary Teams
- ✓ 10 Middle School Teams
- ✓ 3 Joint Middle School / High School Teams
- ✓ 18 High School Teams

▪ **84 Teachers Involved (Approximately 39% of FEA population)**

29 Elementary Teachers 21 Middle School Teachers 34 High School Teachers

Project Focus Areas

Alignment Focus

K-5 Balanced Literacy	MS Science Teams 4 & 5
K-5 Music	MS 6 th & 7 th Gr. Social Studies
K-5 Spelling	HS GEDO
K-5 Penmanship	HS Pre-Calculus Math
K-5 Health	

Alignment / Assessment Focus

MS Language Arts Department	MS/HS Music-Vocal Assessment Gr. 6-12
MS Science Team 1-3 & 6	MS/HS Music-Instrumental
HS Special Education	HS AP Microeconomics

Assessment Focus

K-5 Reading & Writing Profile	EL Special Education	EL Special Ed SS
HS Family & Consumer Ed	HS AP Psychology	HS Economics
HS Eastern Cultural Studies	HS Advanced Math	HS AP Computer Science

Instructional Focus

MS/HS Computer Science	HS Biotechnology	HS Minority Studies
HS Medical Occupations	HS New Student Preparation	HS Co-op Program
HS World Language	HS World Language 2-French	

Intervention Focus

HS Algebra I Team Common
Differentiation