

# MILWAUKEE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS



**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING  
6:30 P.M., THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2011**

## **AGENDA (Advance Copy)**

Central Services Building Auditorium — 5225 West Vliet Street  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

### **BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS**

Michael Bonds, President		
Peter Blewett, Vice President		
Terry Falk	Tim Petersons	David Voeltner
Larry Miller	Jeff Spence	Annie Woodward
Bruce Thompson		

Dr. Gregory E. Thornton  
Superintendent of Schools

Lynne A. Sobczak  
Director, Office of Board Governance/Board Clerk



## **MISSION STATEMENT**

Milwaukee Public Schools educates all students for success in higher education, careers and responsible citizenship so that MPS is the first choice for families.

## **VISION STATEMENT**

Milwaukee Public Schools will be among the highest-performing urban public school districts in the country, providing rigorous, high-quality learning opportunities for students. Schools will enable lifelong learning among students, families, educators and other staff focused on continuous improvement. Teaching will be child-centered, based on research-proven methods, and aligned to high academic standards; it will meet the learning needs of individual students. The district, its schools, and its employees will be accountable for measurable gains in student achievement.

Schools will be safe centers of community activity that are welcoming, well maintained, and accessible. Children will be provided maximum educational opportunities to become responsible citizens who make positive contributions to their communities. The district and its schools will strengthen partnerships with families and those in the community who influence and affect students and families.

## **CORE BELIEFS**

- Children come first.
- The classroom is the most important place in the district.
- Leadership and accountability are keys to our success.
- Central Services supports student achievement.
- Families are valuable partners.
- Community partnerships add value.

*Adopted July 26, 2007*

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**ORDER OF BUSINESS**  
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1. Informational Report with Possible Action on a Request to Work with Milwaukee County to Develop an Intergovernmental Agreement to Share Common Services 1

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**(ITEM 1) INFORMATIONAL REPORT WITH POSSIBLE ACTION ON A REQUEST TO WORK WITH MILWAUKEE COUNTY TO DEVELOP AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT TO SHARE COMMON SERVICES**

*This item initiated by the Administration*

**ADMINISTRATION'S REPORT**

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1. The Administration has engaged in discussions with the Acting County Executive relative to the possibility of the County and Milwaukee Public Schools sharing common services as a means to realize more cost effective and efficient operations at this time of economic shortfall for most public entities.
2. Some of the common areas that there have been preliminary discussions on include human resources, early childhood, parks and recreation, facilities, transportation and mental health services.
3. Should the Board indicate they wish to pursue this possibility; the Administration will proceed in developing an intergovernmental agreement with the County to share common services. Any such proposed intergovernmental agreement will be brought to the Board for final approval.

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