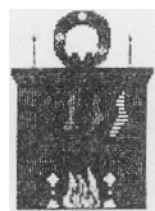




# THE SCHOOL RECORD

Minford Local School District

December 1, 2006



## Highlights of the November 20, 2006, Regular Board Meeting of the Minford Local Board of Education

Title One/ Curriculum Supervisor, Amy O'Dell, presented the "Flat World" DVD and discussed the Third Grade reading achievement test. Sixty-six percent of incoming third grade students at Minford passed the test. It will begin again in the spring.

Punch list items were topics of discussion concerning the Athletic Complex.

Discussion was held concerning the Board Policy Review Committee's recommendations.

President Joe Stockham reported that the flag pole had been painted in the Memorial Park area.

Kevin Lloyd, Middle School Principal, made a presentation on open enrollment and Barb Dever, High School Assistant Principal and District Safety Coordinator, made a presentation concerning the Safety Plan

Dennis Meade, Superintendent, discussed lunch charge policy and the current situation and provided information on the addendum items.

### In action the Board:

Approved an out-of-state trip for Grades 6, 7, 8 Academically Advanced Class to travel to Boston, MA in May

### Recognized the following volunteers:

Alley, Amy  
Campbell, Kara  
Canter, Cathy  
Charles, Crystal  
Compton, Angie  
Cordle, Catherine  
Cordle, Kristen  
Cyrus, Mandy  
Eshem, Helen  
Gampp, Michelle  
Goddard, Christine  
Grashel, Laryssa  
Grasso, Tracy  
Howard, Kathy  
Khoury, Cheryl  
Kinker, Michael  
Lindamood, Julie  
Martin, Mindy  
McGraw, Patty  
Powell, Christy  
Shoemaker, Norma  
Thoroughman, Tanya

Employed Sabrina Shonkwiler and Debra Huff as Co-advisors for Middle School Drama.

Postponed action on a Board/OAPSE Agreement.

- Accepted the Minford District and Buildings Safety Plan.

Employed Amy Cox and C Greg Slone for the MARCS after school program.

Employed Paula DeVore as an as-needed aide.

Changed the December Board Meeting date to 5:00 p.m., December 21, 2006 at the High School Media Center.

Accepted donations for the following:

Athletic Complex Project

Glenn Franke  
Kevin White

Scholarship Fund

Medical Mutual of Ohio  
Stand Energy Corporation

In Memory of Gwen Skaggs

Southeastern Ohio Education Association

The donations are appreciated very much.

Changed the school calendar to add the make-up day of December 20, 2006, as the last day before Christmas Break.

Accepted the High School Achievement Incentive Program Guidelines as revised.

Approved the first reading of the following policies:

- KG - Community Use of School Facilities
- KG - Regulations
- KGC - Smoking on District Property
- GBK - Smoking on District Property by Staff Members (To comply with the new State law)

Approved payment to Mechanical Construction for purchase and installation of a triple sink at the football concession.

Approved the High School Chorus trip to Ashland, KY to perform on Friday, December 8 at the City Center Mall.

Made revisions to the Loyal Falcon Senior Pass Guidelines as follows:

- a. Allow Golden Buckeye Card holders in for \$1.00 to all regular season athletic events that have an admission fee of \$3.00 or less (baseball, softball, JV & freshman football, etc.)
- b. We reciprocate with any schools that we are aware of that allow our Senior Citizens in FREE.
- c. Allow grandparents (of our student athletes) who are not residents or past graduates of Minford to be eligible for the Loyal Falcon Senior Pass.

***SUPERINTENDENT'S NOTE***

Kevin Lloyd recently conducted a survey of some of our parents asking them why they send their children to Minford schools on open enrollment or why they send their children to another school district. The results he received are interesting and add to Minford's good reputation. In sending their

children to Minford, the most responses were because the parent or spouse was an alumnus of Minford. A close second was "Strong Academic Programs". The biggest reason for leaving Minford was "the child has a parent/guardian working in the district they attend followed by "the child has always attended the school and/or parents are graduates of that particular district.

Proximity to the school was given as a reason to come to Minford and to leave Minford. One reason to come to Minford or leave that is popular among the citizenry is that Minford or the other district has a better sports program. These results placed the reason down the list and about even coming or leaving.

Minford has much of which to be proud and we have many more students coming in than leaving (173 leaving and 272 students coming here). Credit is given to our excellent faculty and staff, our beautiful facilities and the great people who make up the community known as Minford Local School District.

As mentioned in the Board Highlights, our make-up day for the November 3<sup>rd</sup> closing will be December 20<sup>th</sup>. We will have a one-hour early dismissal on that day. Closing for a funeral is not recognized by the State as a calamity day and must be made up. We are trying to avoid going into June which could affect any retirement plans by throwing the retirement into the next month; however, a snowy winter could do it anyway.

*Dennis*

Those Health Plan members who have not yet completed the Online Health Risk Assessment may log onto My Health Plan at [MedMutual.com](http://MedMutual.com) and complete the assessment. Your name will be entered into a drawing for a nicely equipped Highway Safety Kit. The drawing will be held at noon on December 18<sup>th</sup>. Your assessment is confidential and is designed to help you determine your health risks. MedMutual has certain programs that are free to our members and can help maintain good health. For further information, call Kim Blunt at 614-932-7219.

***HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:***

|        |                 |
|--------|-----------------|
| Dec 10 | Ashley Porter   |
| Dec 12 | Mark Shonkwiler |
| Dec 14 | Martha Oberley  |
| Dec 18 | Linda Bender    |
| Dec 30 | Linni Coriell   |
| Dec 31 | Michele Compton |



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