

Minooka Elementary School District 201
Board of Education Meeting Minutes

Education and Curriculum Committee
District Office Board Room

Tuesday, April 23, 2024

1. Introduction

Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Dr. Kathleen Cheshareck, Interim Chief Academic Officer. Dr. Kathleen Cheshareck introduced new Chief Academic Office Adrienne McKerrow to the committee. All attendees introduced themselves.

Present: Adrienne McKerrow, Haley Tribuzzi, Erika Martinez, Monica Totaro, Jeana Pekol, Adam Shainberg, Nicole Horrigan, Mike Tonelli, Maymi Heaser, Jennifer Garapolo, Anita Stimac, Jen Monson, KC Tonelli, Jeanine Ruggeri, Kristin Konfirst and Lori Shanholtzer.

2. Discussion Items

- **Education Committee Purpose** - Dr. Kathleen Cheshareck stated that the purpose of the committee is to act as a parent advisory group to the Board.
- **Parent-Student Handbook 2024-2025** - Information was shared regarding changes the principals would like to make to the handbook regarding discipline and safety.
- **Standards Based Grading** - Discussion took place regarding revisiting expanding our Standards Based Grading from K-2 to K-4. There will be a meeting in early Fall 2024 to further discuss options that the district will have. Highlights of the discussion were having 4 grading levels (EMTB) versus the current 3 levels (MTB) for standards based grading.
- **Minooka #201 Multilingual Plan**
 - **Ms. Erika Martinez, Emerging Bilingual Coordinator**
Ms. Erika Martinez shared an overview of the Multi-Lingual District Program. She presented how students are identified due to the caseloads growing in all of the district's schools. Highlights of the discussion were starting to roll out a Dual Language program with Kindergarten for the 2025-2026 school year.

3. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Next meeting will be determined.


Emily Conquest, President


Stephen Blount, Secretary