July 9, 2019

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Morton Unit School District 709 held July 9, 2019, at the Morton Education and Administration Center.

REGULAR MEETING

Call to Order and Roll Call –

President Beaty called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

Members present: Dr. Shad Beaty, Mr. Jeff Schmidgall, Mr. Kevin Austin,
Mr. Tim Braker, Dr. David Cross, Mr. Tom Neeley, Mr. Bart Rinkenberger

Reports –

Administrative –

Freedom of Information Requests –

Dr. Hill reported there are no Freedom of Information requests to report.

External Counseling Report –

Dr. Hill reported on the early intervention provided by Illini Family Counseling to MHS students and families. A summary of contacts made with students throughout the school year was provided. The report includes number of students served by semester and types of issues encountered.

Legislative Update –

Dr. Hill noted new or pending state legislation that impacts school districts including financial, curricular, and student safety issues.

Discussion Items –

Security Audit –

Dr. Hill updated the board on the progress to secure a firm to conduct a security audit on all buildings in the district. Three firms that oversee this type of audit are currently being considered. They will assess the exterior and interior of all buildings and the district's crisis plan. The process takes a month to complete and ideally would take place when students are in attendance. The auditing firm would partner with local law enforcement during the assessment.

Action Items –

Approve Non-Resident Student Per Board Policy 7:60 –

Motion by Mr. Rinkenberger, second by Dr. Cross, that the Board of Education approve the request for a non-resident student to attend Morton Schools for the 2019-2020 school year per board policy.

Roll Call -   Yea 7   Nay 0

Motion carried.

Approve Non-Resident Tuition Students (2) per Board Policy 7:60 –

Motion by Mr. Neeley, second by Mr. Rinkenberger, that the Board of Education approve the acceptance of two tuition students from the Delevan Unit School District to the Young Life Academy at MHS for the 2019-2020 school year.

Roll Call -   Yea 7   Nay 0

Motion carried.

Approve IASB President –

Motion by Dr. Cross, second by Mr. Austin, that the Board of Education approve Mr. Neeley for the position of President of IASB for a one year term.

Roll Call -   Yea 6   Nay 0   Abstain 1 (Neeley)

Motion carried.

Dr. Beaty noted that it is an honor for our district to have Mr. Neeley in this position at the state level advocating for public schools.

Consent Agenda –

Motion by Dr. Cross, second by Mr. Schmidgall, that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented:
      Approve Personnel Report
      Approve May 2019 Treasurer's Report
      Approve Revised Depository Resolution for 2019-2020
      Approve Minutes of the June 25, 2019, Special Meeting; and the June 25, 2019,
       Special Meeting Closed Session.

Approve Bills and Payroll

	Bills 6-28-19	**Bills 7-1-19**	**Payroll 6-21-19**	**Payroll 6-28-19**
Ed. Fund	$183,933.66	$67,095.26	$510,079.66	$17,526.03
Bldg. Fund	299,305.52	44,992.45	50,845.14	306.00
Trans. Fund	7,358.01	--	7,362.41	--
TORT	--	346,273.00	--	--
Payroll Accts. Pay.	--	--	393,771.47	6,463.80

Roll Call: Yea 7   Nay 0

Motion carried.

Closed Session -

Motion by Mr. Schmidgall, second by Dr. Cross, that the Board of Education enter into closed session for discussion of Personnel, Purchase or Sale of Land, and Student Discipline. (5ILCS 120/2 115 ILCS 5/18)

Roll Call: Yea 7   Nay 0

Motion carried. The board entered closed session at 7:15 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Schmidgall, second by Mr. Austin, that the Board of Education return to regular session.

Roll Call: Yea 7   Nay 0

Motion carried. The board returned to regular session at 7:36 p.m.

Adjournment –

Motion by Mr. Rinkenberger, second by Dr. Cross, that the meeting be adjourned.

Voice Vote: Yea 7   Nay 0

Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Recorded by,

Emily Stubbs
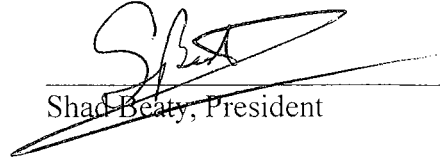
Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Austin, Secretary

Shad Beaty, President