

MORTON UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 709

October 15, 2019

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Morton Unit School District 709 held October 15, 2019, at the Morton Education and Administration Center.

REGULAR MEETING

Call to Order and Roll Call –

President Shad Beaty called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:21 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 –

Board Member Recognition – Master Board Members -

Dr. Hill recognized Mr. Austin and Mr. Rinkenberger for attaining Master Board Member status from the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB). Points are earned by attending IASB division meetings, Governing meetings, legislative leadership programs as well as holding positions of leadership within the Association.

President's Report –

Dr. Beaty reported that the Board met earlier in the evening with Lettie Brown School teachers. Board members were given updates from teachers on the new initiatives along with a report from the PTO. All agreed it was a very informational and enjoyable meeting.

Agenda Building – Dr. Beaty asked that a review of student cell phone usage be added to a future agenda.

Discussion Item –

Ms. Kowalski reviewed the timeline for approval of the 2019 Levy and the 2020-21 tentative budget:

- November 5 – approve 2019 Tentative Levy and 2020-21 proposed budget;
- November 20 - Publish Truth in Taxation Notice in newspaper
- December 17 – hold public hearing (though the district is not required to hold a public hearing since the levy will not exceed the 5% cap.); vote to approve Levy Resolution.

Ms. Kowalski reviewed:

- New Property History
- Historical EAV
- 2019 Levy Assumptions
- Proposed 2020-2021 Tentative Budget

Ms. Kowalski and Dr. Hill are recommending a 2.32% increase in the 2019 levy. The total levy increase including the prior voter approved referendum bonds would be 2.16%

Action Items -

Approve IASB Delegate and Alternate –

Each year the Board of Education approves the Delegate and Alternate for the IASB Annual Conference Resolution Committee per Board Policy 2:120.

Motion by Mr. Neeley, second by Mr. Rinkenberger, that the Board of Education appoint Mr. Schmidgall as Delegate and Mr. Braker as Alternate for the IASB Annual Conference for 2019.

Roll Call:	Yea 6	Nay 1 (Braker)
------------	-------	----------------

Motion carried.

Approve Addendum to Superintendent Contract –

Motion by Dr. Cross, second by Mr. Rinkenberger, that the Board of Education approve the addendum to the Superintendent’s contract adding two (2) years to his current contract extending it to June 30, 2022.

Roll Call:	Yea 7	Nay 0
------------	-------	-------

Motion carried.

Consent Agenda –

Motion by Mr. Schmidgall, second by Mr. Austin, that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented:

- Approve Personnel Report
- Approve Minutes of the October 1, 2019, Regular Meeting and the October 1, 2019, Regular Meeting Closed Session.

Approve Bills and Payroll

	Bills 10-4-19	Bills 10-11-19	Payroll 8-30-19	Payroll 9-13-19	Payroll 9-27-19
Ed. Fund	\$148,994.04	\$348,862.36	\$819,514.90	\$797,822.30	\$814,897.28
Bldg. Fund	449,855.89	27,559.18	49,780.81	45,940.95	47,566.99
Trans. Fund	362.51	17,895.11	19,995.09	21,750.46	25,477.67
IMRF Fund	--	--	43,695.73	43,769.96	47,657.56

Roll Call: Yea 7 Nay 0

Motion carried.

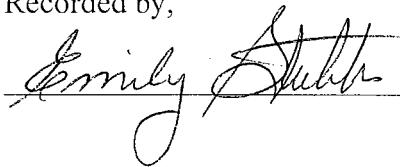
Adjournment –

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

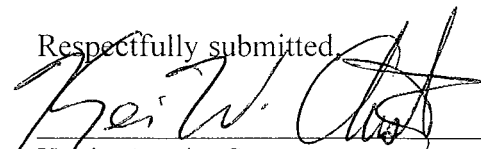
Voice Vote: Yea 7 Nay 0

Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

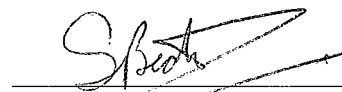
Recorded by,



Respectfully submitted,



Kevin Austin, Secretary



Shad Beaty, President