



MORTON

UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 709

Board of Education Meeting Highlights

JULY 12, 2022

Administrative Reports—

- ◆ Superintendent's Report— Dr. Smock
 - ⇒ Dr. Smock presented updates on administrative transitions within the district. He thanked everyone who has helped make the transitions smooth. He spent two days in Springfield at an IASA at a training for new Superintendents.
 - ⇒ Welcomed Dr. Sander who reported 32 of 36 teachers needed have been hired and two administrators. He is preparing for the New Teacher Orientation and Dinner.
 - ⇒ One FOIA request was fulfilled and posted on the website.
 - ⇒ We are participating in the Central Illinois Educators Cooperative for health insurance again this year. About 30 other schools are involved to give us buying power. Kepple Insurance advocates for us and does an outstanding job. It is our third year in CIE. It has been beneficial in getting the best rates and coverage.
 - ⇒ Ms. Kowalski presented the FY23 Tentative Budget. She reviewed FY22, including additional funding that came in from ESSER funds and FEMA grants. She reviewed the FY23 Budget and offered to answer any questions. Cost of benefits is hard to predict. Projections are conservative. The FY23 Budget will be an agenda discussion item on 8/2/22.
- ◆ School Board President —Mr. Braker
 - ⇒ New Policy—Call to convene the Policy Committee for the review of several policies.

Discussion Items —

- ⇒ Cropper Enrollment/ Capacity Study results reviewed and discussed.
- ⇒ A facilities discussion followed. Enrollment, capacity and rethinking space in our current facilities was discussed. A fifteen year plan was suggested. The facilities committee will convene and bring ideas to the whole board.

Action Items Approved —

- ⇒ Non-Resident Student was approved Per Board Policy 7:60
- ⇒ Board Position Statement on Parents' Rights and Teacher's Role approved as new Board Policy 6:85.

Consent Agenda—

The Board of Education approved the Consent Agenda including the personnel report, minutes of the previous meeting, bills and payroll.

Next Meeting— August 2, 2022 at 7:30pm at the MEAC.

If you wish to learn more about a subject, you may view an archived broadcast of the meeting on [MP-TV](#) available on the District website; and/or watch our website for posted minutes after being approved by the Board of Education.

Valerie Smith— School Board Secretary
Morton Unit School Dist. 709