

The mission of our Morton District 709 Board of Education is to be a provider of and advocate for the education of all children.

DISTRICT GOALS –

- **Achievement** – Morton District 709 will nurture and challenge each student to reach their potential through the highest quality teaching using evidence-based instructional practices, curriculum, programs, and services.
- **Communication** – Morton District 709 will strive to engage all members of the district and community in open, meaningful two-way communication, providing timely information and opportunities for dialogue regarding key educational issues.
- **Climate** – Morton District 709 will maintain a cohesive organizational system, which fosters a culture characterized by mutual trust and respect among the board, administration, faculty, staff, students, and community, resulting in an organization focused on continuous improvement.
- **Facilities** – Morton District 709 will develop and maintain facilities providing the current and future students with safe, well-maintained, and functional space to support research-based best practices in teaching and learning.
- **Finance** – Morton District 709 will maintain a financial position that supports all district operations in an efficient, cost-effective manner, as well as providing long-term stability for the district.

FY26 BUDGET HEARING AGENDA

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call**
- II. Presentation of FY26 Budget - Ms. Lisa Kowalski, C.F.O.**
- III. Public Comment**
- IV. Board Discussion**
- V. Declare Adjournment of Budget Hearing**

E-LEARNING HEARING AGENDA

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call**
- II. Presentation of E-Learning Plan for FY26-FY28**
- III. Audience Questions and Discussion**
- IV. Declare E-Learning Plan Hearing Closed**

AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Recognition of Excellence - State Selected Artist -** Chris Carter, MJHS Principal, Brittany DuPont, MJHS Art Teacher, and Maize Ellis, MJHS Art Student
- IV. Agenda Related Audience Presentations:** Every board meeting provides two opportunities for public comments. The first session of public comments, at the beginning of the meeting, is strictly for items that appear on this meeting’s agenda for discussion or action. The second session of public comments, at the end of the meeting, is for other communication that is not necessarily on the board’s agenda. In order to speak at this meeting, members of the public must complete a card with their name and topic and turn it in prior to the beginning of the first segment of public comments. If you wish to speak and have not yet turned in a card, now is your final opportunity.

The Board of Education will take all comments under consideration and respond, if necessary, promptly. We ask that your comments address the Board of Education, not the audience. We will limit your comments to 5 minutes. (Or, replace that sentence with the altered time limits based on the number of speakers.) Participants are expected to conduct themselves with civility and respect and follow the guidelines outlined in Board Policy 8:30, “Visitors to and Conduct on School Property.” Further information about public participation in Board of Education meetings can be found in Board Policy 2:230.

V. Reports

A. Administrative

1. Six-Day Enrollment Report - Mrs. Kate Wyman, Executive Director of Curriculum, Instruction, Technology, and Safety
2. District Goals Presentation - Joe Sander
3. Board Visit Schedule
4. Monthly Board Policy Review - September 2025

B. Board

1. Committee Updates
2. Agenda Building

VI. Discussion Item(s)

- A. Board Policy-PRESS Issue 119

VII. Action Item(s)

- A. Action on E-Learning Plan
- B. Action on 2025-26 Budget (FY26)
- C. Action on MOU Regarding Health Savings Account
- D. Action on MHS Phase 2 Construction Bids
- E. Action on Non-Resident Tuition Student

VIII. Consent Agenda

- A. Approve Personnel Report
- B. Approve PRESS 119 Policy Updates
- C. Approve Overnight/Out-of-State Trip Board Policy 6:240 - MHS Marching Band, Regionals- St. Louis-October 18-19, 2025
- D. Approve Overnight/Out-of-State Trip Board Policy 6:240 - MHS Marching Band, Grand Nationals Indianapolis- November 14-15, 2025
- E. Approve Overnight/Out-of-State Trip Board Policy 6:240 - SkillsUSA Conference, Lisle, IL, October 15-18, 2025
- F. Approve Revised Board Calendar
- G. Approve Minutes: August 5, 2025, Regular Meeting; Minutes August 5, 2025, Regular Meeting Closed Session
- H. Approve Joint Stipulation for Clarification
- I. Approve Bills & Payroll

	Bills 8-8-25 8-11-25	Bills 8-20-25 8-25-25	Bills 8-28-25 8-29-25 9-2-25	Payroll 8-15-25
Ed. Fund (10)	\$386,837.74	\$187,483.19	\$208,489.17	766,394.33
Bldg. Fund (20)	\$340,137.20	\$583,824.63	\$111,836.42	70,074.92
Trans. Fund (40)	\$30,733.52	\$11,604.49	\$30,986.68	10,808.98
IMRF (50)				24,440.59
TORT (80)	\$1,892.00		\$23.73	

IX. Non-Agenda Audience Presentations

X. Closed Session as stated in the Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 120/2)

- A. **5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1)** The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees.
- B. **5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (5)** The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a parcel of property should be acquired.

XI. Next Meeting: October 7, 2025, Regular Meeting, 5:30 PM

Future Meetings: November 4, 2025, Regular Meeting, 5:30 PM; December 2, 2025, 5:30 PM Regular Meeting, 5:30 PM; January 13, 5:30 PM; February 3, 2025, 5:30 PM; March 3, 2025, 5:30 PM; April 14, 2025, 5:30 PM

XII. Adjourn