

# MORTON UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 709

October 2, 2018

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Morton Unit School District 709 held October 2, 2018, at the Morton High School Library.

## REGULAR MEETING

### Call to Order and Roll Call –

President Neeley called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Members present: Mr. Tom Neeley, Dr. Shad Beaty, Mr. Jeff Schmidgall, Mr. Kevin Austin, Mrs. Michelle Bernier, Dr. David Cross, Mr. Bart Rinkenberger

### Reports –

#### Administrative –

##### Recognition of National Merit Scholar Student – Sarah Honegger -

High School Principal, Michael Gourley, reported that there is one National Merit Commended student this year from Morton High School. Sarah Honegger scored in the top 50,000 (3.3%) students in the nation that took the PSAT last year.

Board members congratulated Ms. Honegger and her parents.

##### Recognition of Principal Appreciation Week, October 21-27 –

Dr. Hill reported that National Principal Appreciation Week is October 21– 27.

##### County Facilities Sales Tax Update –

Dr. Hill reported he is in the process of presenting information on the County Facility Sales Tax (CFST) to local groups. The purpose of the presentations is to assure that individuals understand the details of the tax and what Morton District 709 would do with the revenue should the referendum pass.

### President's Report –

President Neeley reported that the Board met earlier in the evening with Morton High School teachers. The board heard reports from:

- PTO – Christina Smith, President – reported on PTO activities and planned purchases for teacher grants.
- Counseling Department -- Holly Riggins – very grateful to the Board for the two additional counselors who have contributed to less of a workload for all counselors allowing more time to spend with individual students.

- Early Release Days – Michael Gourley - explained how the time will be spent using the DuFour Model.

**Discussion Item -**

**Board Compliance – Operational Services –**

President Neeley reported that he and Dr. Hill have reviewed the Operational Policies and have determined that the district is in compliance. Dr. Hill and President Neeley will sign the compliance form and place it in the Master Compliance binder in the District Office.

**Consent Agenda –**

Motion by Mrs. Bernier, second by Dr. Cross, that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented:

- Approve Personnel Report
- Approve August Treasurer’s Report
- Approve Minutes of the September 18, 2018, Regular Meeting and the September 18, 2018, Regular Meeting Closed Session.
- Approve Bills and Payroll

	<b>Bills 9-21-18</b>	<b>Bills 9-28-18</b>	<b>Payroll 9-28-18</b>
Ed. Fund	\$443,921.21	\$5,672.25	\$562,244.78
Bldg. Fund	487,608.13	--	37,198.61
Trans. Fund	10,858.69	--	17,432.06
TORT	882.00	--	--
Payroll Accts. Pay.	--	--	444,742.28

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 and Student Discipline (**5ILCS 120/2 115 ILCS 5/18**)

Roll Call:                      Yea 7                      Nay 0

Motion carried. The board entered closed session at 7:10 p.m.

Motion by Dr. Beaty, second by Mrs. Bernier, that the Board of Education return to regular session.

Roll Call:                      Yea 7                      Nay 0

Motion carried. The board returned to regular session at 7:25 p.m.

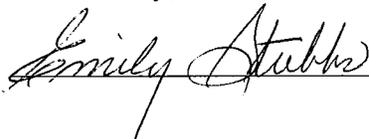
**Adjournment –**

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

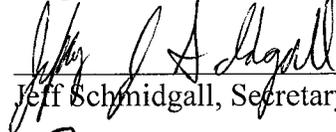
Voice Vote:                      Yea 7                      Nay 0

Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

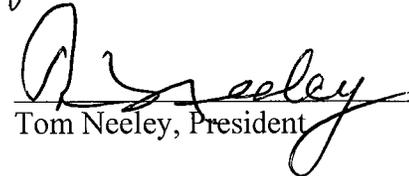
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Respectfully submitted,

  
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Jeff Schmidgall, Secretary

  
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Tom Neeley, President