

MORTON UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 709

April 2, 2019

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Morton Unit School District 709 held April 2, 2019, at the Morton Education and Administration Center.

REGULAR MEETING

Call to Order and Roll Call –

President Neeley called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:32 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 –

Freedom of Information Requests –

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

Recognize MHS Lady Potters Basketball State Champions -

Coach Bob Becker introduced the Lady Potters Basketball team and coaches. The team is the Class 3A State champions for the fourth time in five years. He noted their accomplishments on and off the court. Mr. Neeley thanked them for representing Morton well and bringing a positive focus to the community.

Recognize John Brown – Retiring Custodial Supervisor –

Dr. Hill introduced John Brown who has worked for the school district for 41 years. He began his career here in 1978 and has been the Supervisor of K-8 custodians since 1980. Mr. Neeley and the Board thanked him for his service and spending his career at District 709.

Superintendent's Report –

Dr. Hill reported:

- He accompanied the state champion MHS Lady Potters Basketball and the MHS Baseball teams to the State Capitol earlier in the day. They were honored on the floor of the House of Representatives and by Governor Pritzker. He thanked Representative Keith Sommer for arranging the visit.

- He is awaiting the details of the traffic study recently completed at the Jr. High. He will get the full report soon from the Village.
- The five hour school day mandate was reinstated by the Illinois legislature with some exceptions allowed.
- The increase in operating efficiency in the new units in the Bertha Frank Performing Arts Center are estimated to be 10-20% cost savings for natural gas and 25-30% for electricity.

President's Report –

President Neeley congratulated the 1994-1998 MHS softball teams for being inducted into the Greater Peoria Hall of Fame.

President Neeley reported he had just returned from attending the National School Board Association Conference.

Discussion Items -

Review of Progress on District Goals (Board Retreat) –

Dr. Hill and President Neeley suggested the board divide its annual discussion to review the District Goals into two meetings. For the goals of Facilities and Finance, the board would like to encourage the community to attend for a two-way discussion. A date and venue will be determined at an upcoming meeting.

Consent Agenda –

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

- Approve Personnel Report
- Approve Auditor for 2018-19 School Year
- Approve Minutes of the March 19, 2019, Regular Meeting; and the March 19, 2019, Regular Meeting Closed Session.
- Approve Resolution for Non-Re-Employment of Education Support Staff
- Approve Resolution for Non-Re-Employment of Professional Staff

Approve Bills and Payroll

	Bills 3-22-19	Bills 3-29-19	Payroll 3-29-19
Ed. Fund	\$498,588.95	\$15,985.34	\$591,195.49
Bldg. Fund	59,537.63	--	36,797.35
Trans. Fund	12,250.75	66.64	17,661.96
Payroll Accts. Pay.	--	--	276,085.86

Roll Call: Yea 7 Nay 0

Motion carried.

Closed Session -

Motion by Mr. Schmidgall, second by Dr. Beaty, that the Board of Education enter into closed session for discussion of Personnel, Student Discipline, and Negotiations. **(SILCS 120/2 115 ILCS 5/18)**

Roll Call: Yea 7 Nay 0

Motion carried. The board entered closed session at 7:17 p.m.

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

Roll Call: Yea 7 Nay 0

Motion carried. The board returned to regular session at 8:34 p.m.

Adjournment –

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

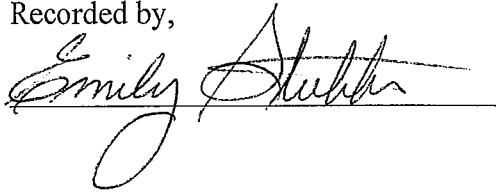
Voice Vote: Yea 7 Nay 0

Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

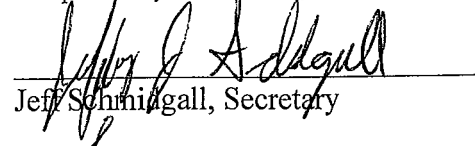
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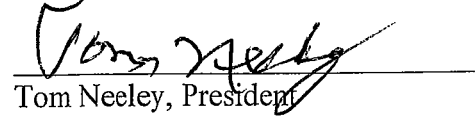
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Respectfully submitted,



Jeff Schmitgall, Secretary



Tom Neeley, President