

MORTON UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 709

JUNE 25, 2019

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Education of Morton Unit School District 709 held June 25, 2019, at the Morton Education and Administration Center.

SPECIAL MEETING -

President Shad Beaty called the Special Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Members present: Dr. Shad Beaty, Mr. Jeff Schmidgall, Mr. Kevin Austin,
Mr. Tim Braker, Mr. David Cross, Mr. Tom Neeley, Mr. Bart Rinkenberger

Discussion of District Goals – Facilities and Finance –

The entire discussion can be viewed on MPTV at this link.

Dr. Hill reviewed the Facilities and Financial Goals from the strategic dashboard:

- Develop a long-term facilities plan (75% complete)
- Improve safety and security of facilities (50% complete)
- Increase capacity and functionality of MJHS (50% complete)
- Set short term and long term priorities for MHS facilities improvements (New Goal)
- Develop a plan to fund long term facility needs (75% complete)
- Develop and implement a plan to transition new minimum wage legislation (New Goal)

Rodney Schuck reviewed maintenance priorities by building for the next 15 years. Board members asked that parking lot lighting at Brown and west gym bleachers at the high school be reviewed and possibly added to the list of priorities.

Dr. Beaty thanked Mr. Schuck and his team for compiling this comprehensive list.

Jeff Keach reviewed the 15 year budget plan summary for maintenance/capital improvement and health/life safety repairs.

Dr. Hill identified future priorities at the high school. They include:

- Short term – STEM Lab – immediate need; student staff collaborative space, and weight room/art room improvements. Mrs. Ripka explained plans for the stem lab and plans to enlarge the weight room.
- Long term – MHS canopy entrance improvements, cafeteria/library student space renovations, and updating science and tech ed. classrooms.

Dr. Hill reviewed the progress in securing a firm to complete a safety audit for the district.

CFO Lisa Kowalski reviewed the district's finances as they stand today as there is still another week

