

# MORTON UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 709

June 22, 2021

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Education of Morton Unit School District 709 held June 22, 2021, at the Morton Education and Administration Center.

## SPECIAL MEETING

### Call to Order and Roll Call –

President Jeff Schmidgall called the Special Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Members present: Mr. Jeff Schmidgall, Mr. Tim Braker, Mr. Bart Rinkenberger,  
Dr. Shad Beaty, Dr. Diane Krall, Mr. Tom Neeley, Mr. Jerry Rudd

**Audience Presentation** – Eric Osterman, MJHS parent, thanked the Board, administrators, teachers, and all staff for a tremendous school year. He suggested engaging students in the decision making process for next year as far as COVID mandates.

### Action Items –

#### **Approve Resignation of Board Member Shad Beaty –**

At the June 1, 2021, Board of Education meeting, Dr. Shad Beaty submitted his resignation as a member of the Morton Unit School District 709 school board effective at the conclusion of the June 1<sup>st</sup> meeting. The resignation must be approved by the remaining school board members prior to filling the vacancy his resignation created.

Motion by Mr. Neeley, with regrets, second by Mr. Rinkenberger, with regrets, that the Board of Education approve the resignation of Dr. Shad Beaty effective at the conclusion of the June 1, 2021, meeting.

Roll Call Vote:                      Yea 7                      Nay 0

Motion carried.

#### **Approve Appointment of Dr. David Cross –**

At the June 1, 2021, Board of Education meeting, Dr. Shad Beaty submitted his resignation as a member of the Morton Unit School District 709 school board effective at the conclusion of the June 1<sup>st</sup> meeting. There are 2 years remaining in his term. Dr. David Cross submitted a letter of application to fill the vacancy. Upon approval, a notice of vacancy and appointment must be signed and sent to the Regional Office of Education.

Motion by Mr. Neeley, second by Mr. Rudd, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Dr. David Cross to fill the remainder of the vacant 2-year term on the Morton

Unit School District Board of Education.

Roll Call Vote:                      Yea 7                      Nay 0

Motion carried.

President Jeff Schmidgall administered the Oath of Office and Dr. Cross took his seat at the Board table. Dr. Cross expressed that with Dr. Beaty leaving the board, he desired to provide continuity to the board. He chose not to run for another 4-year term this past spring, as he felt the candidates that chose to run would serve with the same values that are important to him. With a job change starting for him this fall, he is certain he can fulfill the 2-year term left by Dr. Beaty.

**Consent Agenda –**

Motion by Mr. Rinkenberger, second by Dr. Cross, that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented.

- Approve Personnel Report
- Approve Liability Insurance Renewal
- Approve Overnight Trip – MHS Volleyball Teams, Illinois State Univ.– July 16-17, 2021
- Approve Minutes from the 6-1-21 Regular Meeting and the 6-1-21 Regular Meeting Closed Session.
- Approve Bills

	<b>Bills 6-4-21</b>	<b>Bills 6-18-21</b>
Ed. Fund	\$346,610.78	\$163,077.64
Bldg. Fund	272,552.68	46,861.94
Trans. Fund	1,366.44	10,016.33
TORT	59.95	136.00

Roll Call Vote:                      Yea 7                      Nay 0

Motion carried.

**Closed Session -**

Motion by Mr. Neeley, second by Mr. Rinkenberger, that the Board of Education enter into closed session for Self Evaluation, practices and procedures or professional ethics, when meeting with a representative of a statewide association of which the public body is a member (**5ILCS 120/2 115 ILCS 5/18**), as stated in the Open Meetings Act.

Roll Call Vote:                      Yea 7                      Nay 0

Motion carried. The board entered closed session at 5:50 p.m.

Motion by Dr. Cross, second by Dr. Krall, that the Board of Education return to regular session.

Roll Call Vote:                      Yea 7                      Nay 0

Motion carried. The board returned to regular session at 8:54 p.m.

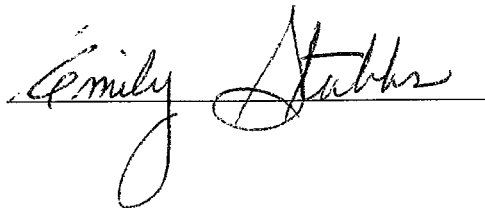
**Adjournment -**

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


Voice Vote:                      Yea 7                      Nay 0

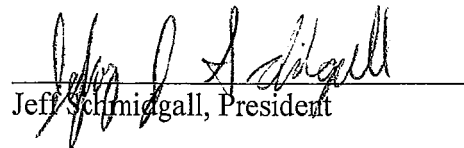
Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,

  
Bart Rinkenberger, Secretary

  
Jeff Schmidgall, President