

MORTON UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 709

August 19, 2014

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Morton Unit School District 709 held August 19, 2014, at the Morton Education and Administration Center.

PUBLIC HEARING -

Call to Order and Roll Call –

President Michelle Bernier called the Public Hearing to order at 6:30 p.m.

Members present: Mrs. Michelle Bernier, Mr. Tim Taylor, Mr. Shaun Bill,
Mr. John Applen, Mr. Clint Heinold, Mr. Tom Neeley, Mrs. Kelly Scarfe

Mrs. Bernier declared the Public Hearing open for the purpose of reviewing the resolution to transfer \$3,000,000 from the Education Fund to the Operations and Maintenance Fund for the improvement of facilities.

Dr. Hall reviewed the resolution.

There were no audience questions or discussion.

Mrs. Bernier declared the public hearing closed at 6:32 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING –

President Michelle Bernier called the regular meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

Members present: Mrs. Michelle Bernier, Mr. Tim Taylor, Mr. Shaun Bill,
Mr. John Applen, Mr. Clint Heinold, Mr. Tom Neeley, Mrs. Kelly Scarfe

Audience Presentations –

Mrs. Trisha Beaty, 133 S. Oklahoma, Morton, distributed a copy of a resolution recently passed by the East Peoria High School Board of Education concerning Common Core and unfunded state mandates.

Reports –

Administrative –

Facilities Update –

Dr. Hall reported that the Board of Education toured the high school prior to tonight's meeting. The heating project is almost complete. She noted some aesthetic

improvements were also made including new ceilings and lighting. Dr. Hall thanked the high school staff for their patience and the maintenance/custodial staff for their teamwork getting the building ready for the first day of classes.

Dr. Hall noted that the Board Goal discussion at the September 2 meeting is Facilities. She will give a more detailed presentation at that time.

Dr. Hall reported that the Communications Committee met recently to continue plans for the 709Connect meetings planned for this fall that will focus on facilities. Dates will be finalized soon. The committee is also looking at other ways to reach the community.

Enrollment Update –

Mr. Smock reported on the unofficial enrollment numbers. Official numbers will be taken on the sixth student attendance day which is at the end of the day on August 20. He will give a complete report at the September 2 meeting.

Action Item –

2nd Reading and Approval of Board Policy 7:180 –

Dr. Hall reported that a revision to Policy 7:180 is being made to reflect the recent legal revisions made to the policy by the Illinois Association of School Boards policy services due to changes in the law. The recommendation was presented to the Board of Education for discussion and a first reading at the August 5 meeting.

Motion by Mrs. Scarfe, second by Mr. Applen , that the Board of Education approve the revision of Board Policy 7:180.

Roll Call Vote: Yea 7 Nay 0

Motion carried.

Consent Agenda –

Motion by Mr. Neeley, second by Mr. Heinold, that the Consent Agenda be approved as follows:

- Approve Personnel Report
- Approve Resolution Authorizing an Interfund Transfer from the Educational Fund of Morton Community Unit School District No. 709 to the Operations and Maintenance Fund of the District
- Approve Resolution Authorizing the Abatement of the Working Cash Fund of Morton Community Unit School District No. 709 to the Operations and Maintenance Fund of the District

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Adjournment -

Motion by Mr. Appen, second by Mr. Taylor, that the meeting be adjourned.

Voice Vote:

Yea 7

Nay 0

Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shaun Bill, Secretary

Michelle Bernier, President