

Hearing Meeting

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Jacksonville School District #117

AGENDA

Wednesday, January 21, 2026

Board Room

211 West State Street

Jacksonville, IL 62650

6:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. REPORTS

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- ***Public Hearing-Conduct of a public hearing concerning the intent of the Board to sell not to exceed \$3,500,000 General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) for the purpose of building and equipping a new elementary school building.***

MINUTES of a regular public meeting of the Board of Education of School District Number 117, Morgan and Greene Counties, Illinois, held in the District Office Board Room, 211 West State Street, Jacksonville, Illinois, in said School District at 6:00 o'clock P.M., on the 21st day of January, 2026.

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The meeting was called to order by the President, and upon the roll being called, Noel Beard, the President, and the following members were physically present at said location:

The following members were allowed by a majority of the members of the Board of Education in accordance with and to the extent allowed by rules adopted by the Board of Education to attend the meeting by video or audio conference: _____

No member was not permitted to attend the meeting by video or audio conference.

The following members were absent and did not participate in the meeting in any manner or to any extent whatsoever: _____

At _____ o'clock P.M., the President announced that the next agenda item for the Board of Education was a public hearing (the "*Hearing*") to receive public comments on the proposal to sell bonds in the amount of \$3,500,000 for the purpose of building and equipping a new elementary school building (the "*Alternate Bonds*") and explained that all persons desiring to be heard would have an opportunity to present written or oral testimony with respect thereto.

The President opened the discussion and explained that the reasons for the proposed issuance of the Alternate Bonds were as follows: for the purpose of building and equipping a new elementary school building.

Whereupon the President asked for additional comments from the members of the Board of Education. Additional comments were made by the following:

(If no additional comments were made,
please so indicate with the word “none.”)

Written testimony concerning the proposed issuance of the Alternate Bonds was read into the record by the Secretary and is attached hereto as *Exhibit I*.

(If no written testimony was received,
please so indicate with the word “none.”)

Whereupon the President asked for oral testimony or any public comments concerning the proposed issuance of the Alternate Bonds. Statements were made by the following:

(If no additional statements were made,
please so indicate with the word “none.”)

The President then announced that all persons desiring to be heard had been given an opportunity to present oral and written testimony with respect to the proposed issuance of the Alternate Bonds.

Member _____ moved and Member _____ seconded the motion that the Hearing be finally adjourned.

After a full discussion thereof, the President directed that the roll be called for a vote upon the motion.

Upon the roll being called, the following members voted AYE: _____

The following members voted NAY: _____

Whereupon the President declared the motion carried and the Hearing was finally adjourned.

Other business not pertinent to the conduct of the Hearing was duly transacted at said meeting.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting was adjourned.

Secretary, Board of Education

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS
COUNTY OF MORGAN)

CERTIFICATION OF MINUTES

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Education of School District Number 117, Morgan and Greene Counties, Illinois (the “Board”), and as such official I am the keeper of the records and files of the Board.

I do further certify that the foregoing constitutes a full, true and complete transcript of the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on the 21st day of January, 2026, insofar as the same relates to a public hearing concerning the intent of the Board to sell \$3,500,000 General Obligation School Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source).

I do further certify that the deliberations of the Board at said meeting were conducted openly, that said meeting was called and held at a specified time and place convenient to the public, that notice of said meeting was duly given to all of the news media requesting such notice, that an agenda for said meeting was posted at the location where said meeting was held and at the principal office of the Board at least 120 hours in advance of the holding of said meeting, that at least one copy of said agenda was continuously available for public review during the entire 120-hour period preceding said meeting, that a true, correct and complete copy of said agenda as so posted is attached hereto as *Exhibit A*, that said meeting was called and held in strict compliance with the provisions of the Open Meetings Act of the State of Illinois, as amended, the School Code of the State of Illinois, as amended, and the Bond Issue Notification Act of the State of Illinois, as amended, and that the Board has complied with all of the provisions of said Acts and said Code and with all of the procedural rules of the Board in the conduct of said meeting.

I do further certify that notice of said public hearing was posted at least 120 hours before said public hearing at the principal office of the Board, that at least one copy of said notice was continuously available for public review during the entire 120-hour period preceding said public hearing and that attached hereto as *Exhibit B* is a true, correct and complete copy of said notice as so posted.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto affix my official signature, this 21st day of January, 2026.

Secretary, Board of Education

EXHIBIT B

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING THE INTENT OF
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER 117,
MORGAN AND GREENE COUNTIES, ILLINOIS
TO SELL \$3,500,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BONDS (ALTERNATE REVENUE SOURCE)**

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By order of the President of the Board of Education of School District Number 117, Morgan and Greene Counties, Illinois.

DATED the 2nd day of January, 2026.

Teresa Wilson
Secretary, Board of Education, School District
Number 117, Morgan and Greene Counties,
Illinois

[TO BE POSTED AT THE PRINCIPAL OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION]

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Teresa Wilson
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ORDER calling a public hearing concerning the intent of the Board of Education of School District Number 117, Morgan and Greene Counties, Illinois, to sell \$3,500,000 General Obligation School Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source).

* * *

WHEREAS, School District Number 117, Morgan and Greene Counties, Illinois (the “*District*”), is a duly organized and existing school district created under the provisions of the laws of the State of Illinois, and is now operating under the provisions of the School Code of the State of Illinois, and all laws amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, including the Local Government Debt Reform Act of the State of Illinois, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the District (the “*Board*”) intends to sell bonds in the amount of \$3,500,000 for the purpose of building and equipping a new elementary school building (the “*Bonds*”); and

WHEREAS, the Bond Issue Notification Act of the State of Illinois, as amended, requires the Board to hold a public hearing concerning the Board’s intent to sell the Bonds before adopting a resolution providing for the sale of the Bonds:

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It and It Is Hereby Ordered by the undersigned President of the Board of Education of School District Number 117, Morgan and Greene Counties, Illinois, as follows:

1. I hereby call a public hearing to be held at 6:00 o’clock P.M. on the 21st day of January, 2026, in the District Office Board Room, 211 West State Street, Jacksonville, Illinois, in the District, concerning the Board’s intent to sell the Bonds and to receive public comments regarding the proposal to sell the Bonds (the “*Hearing*”).

2. I hereby direct that the Secretary of the Board (the “*Secretary*”) shall (i) publish notice of the Hearing at least once in *The Source*, the same being a newspaper of general circulation in the District, not less than 7 nor more than 30 days before the date of the Hearing and (ii) post at least 120 hours before the Hearing a copy of said notice at the principal office of the Board, which notice will be continuously available for public review during the entire 120-hour period preceding the Hearing.

3. Notice of the Hearing shall appear above the name of the Secretary and shall be in substantially the following form:

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Note to Publisher: Please be certain that this notice appears above the name of the Secretary of the Board.

4. At the Hearing, the Board shall explain the reasons for the proposed bond issue and permit persons desiring to be heard an opportunity to present written or oral testimony within reasonable time limits. The Board shall not adopt a resolution selling the Bonds for a period of seven (7) days after the final adjournment of the Hearing.

Ordered this 2nd day of January, 2026.

President, Board of Education,
School District Number 117, Morgan and
Greene Counties, Illinois

RECEPTION OF VISITORS, PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

This is time set aside during each meeting to allow the public to address the Jacksonville School District 117 Board of Education.

(Please note: The Board typically does not respond to comments or questions during this time, it is our time to listen to you. We will take your questions and comments under advisement and, as necessary, may refer them to the administration for appropriate action.)

Board Policy 2:230

Public Participation at Board of Education Meetings and Petitions to the Board

For an overall minimum of 30 minutes during each regular and special open meeting, any person may comment to or ask questions of the Board (public participation), subject to the reasonable constraints established and recorded in this policy's guidelines below. During public participation, there will be a 20-minute minimum total length of time for any one subject. When public participation takes less time than these minimums, it shall end.

To preserve sufficient time for the Board to conduct its business, any person appearing before the Board is expected to follow these guidelines:

1. Address the Board only at the appropriate time as indicated on the agenda and when recognized by the Board President. The Board President may allow extra time according to the topic and wishes of the rest of the members of the Board.
2. Identify oneself (name, address, email) and be brief. Ordinarily, the time for any one person to address the Board during public participation shall be limited to five minutes. In unusual circumstances, and when an individual has made a request to speak for a longer period of time, the person may be allowed to speak for more than five minutes.
3. Observe, when necessary and appropriate, the:
 - a. Shortening of the time for each person to address the Board during public participation to conserve time and give the maximum number of people an opportunity to speak;
 - b. Expansion of the overall minimum of 30 minutes for public participation and/or the 20-minute minimum total length of time for any one subject; and/or
 - c. Determination of procedural matters regarding public participation not otherwise covered in Board policy.
4. Conduct oneself with respect and civility toward others and otherwise abide by Board policy 8:30, Visitors to and Conduct on School Property.

Petitions or written correspondence to the Board shall be presented to the Board in the next regular Board packet.

IV. ADJOURNMENT