

Moline, Illinois

## Notice of Meeting

Members of the Board of Education

Ladies and Gentlemen:

You are hereby notified that there will be a Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Board of Education, School District No. 40, at 6:00 PM, on Monday, November 13, 2023, at the Franklin Elementary School, 5312 11th Avenue C, Moline, Illinois 61265.

Kristin Sanders  
Secretary, Board of Education

### AGENDA AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Board of Education  
Moline, Illinois  
Monday, November 13, 2023

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Public comments may be made in person or e-mailed to the Board Secretary, Kristin Sanders, at [ksanders@molineschools.org](mailto:ksanders@molineschools.org) no later than 4:30 p.m. on Monday, November 13, 2023, with "Public Comment" in the subject line.

Doors will open at 5:45 p.m. for the public. The Moline-Coal Valley School District follows the guidance of the Illinois Department of Public Health and the Illinois State Board of Education.

1. **Opening of Meeting** - Roll Call

2. **Approval of Minutes**

A. Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of October 09, 2023

**MOLINE-COAL VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT 40**  
**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING**  
**Monday, October 09, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Committee of the Whole Meeting was called to order by Board President Andrew Waeyaert at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, October 09, 2023 at Coolidge Professional Development Room, 3430 Avenue of the Cities, Moline, IL 61265.

**The following Committee members were present:**

Audrey Adamson, Board Member

Dr. Matt DeBaene, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Teaching and Learning

Chet DeSmet, Board Member

Todd DeTaeye, Assistant Superintendent for Administration and Human Resources

Ramona Dixon, Board Member

Jason Farrell, Board Member

Vince Gallo, Chief Financial Officer

Lindsey Hines, Board member

Jathinram Kollarapu, Student Advisory Board Member

Dr. Brian Prybil, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Teaching and Learning

Craig Reid, Director of Technology

Kristin Sanders, Assistant Superintendent for Pupil/Personnel Services and Special Education  
and Secretary of the Board of Education

Dr. Rachel Savage, Superintendent of Schools

Andrew Waeyaert, Board Member

Erin Waldron-Smith, Board Member

**The following committee member were absent:**

**APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES**

A motion was made by Audrey Adamson, seconded by Jason Farrell, unanimously carried, that the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting of September 11, 2023 be approved as presented and placed on file.

**PUBLIC COMMENT AND PARTICIPATION**

Public comment was deferred to the regular board of education meeting.

**STUDENT SPOTLIGHT - HAMILTON ELEMENTARY**

Andy Waeyaert, Board Member, introduced Hamilton Elementary and Mrs. Oswald, Principal of Hamilton Elementary. Amanda Carter, Building Supervisor, has taken on overseeing the Student Jobs program at Hamilton. In order to apply for a student job, students must have at least 80 percent school attendance, grades at or above a C, and all assignments completed. Hamilton currently has the following student jobs: equipment managers, lunchroom custodial assistants, recyclers, and kindergarten lunch assistants. This program is connected to the “C” for Community in PACE goals. Each quarter of the 2023-2024, Hamilton School’s goal is to reduce the number of office referrals received by 15% in comparison to office referrals from the 2022-2023 school year. Hamilton’s update on office referrals for September 2022-2023 there were 18 major and 63 minor compared to September 2023-2024 with 8 major and 34 minor. Lindsey Hines, Board Member, asked the students what are a couple new jobs the students would like to implement. Students responded with rec room cleaner, recess helpers, and electrician to turn off the lights.

Audrey Adamson, Board Member, asked the students what they have learned. The students responded that kindergarteners like chips, kindergarteners are needy, kindergarteners can’t open anything on their own, some of the equipment is hard to get out of the shed, and legos are usually everywhere.

### **ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT/AUDIT**

Vince Gallo, Chief Financial Officer, introduced Sarah Bohnsack, Accountant from Bohnsack & Frommelt LLP, to review the District’s financial reports. Ms. Bohnsack passed out the 2023 annual comprehensive financial report, Illinois State Board of Education annual financial report, communication with government report, and the control deficiency report. The District had three audits, with the financial statements audit receiving an unmodified opinion which is the highest opinion, the government auditing standards with no finding, and the federal single audit again with no findings. In looking at the District’s revenues, they are up 19 million this year from last year. The two areas that revenues increased were grants and federal grant expenditures. The property tax rate decreased this year. The District's expenditures increased by about 9.4 million. This year the operating fund equity increased about 17.6 million for the District, and the financial profile score increased to 4.0 on a 4.0 scale which is very good and increased from 3.9 last year.

### **FACILITY UPDATES, PROJECTS, AND TIMELINES**

Vince Gallo, Chief Financial Officer, and Keith Karstens, Director of Facilities, presented the facilities updates & future projects of the District. Mr. Gallo reviewed the summer projects that took place in the District during 2023. Washington received new casework and cabinetry in classrooms, a new HVAC system, new LED lighting in the hallways, new paint in the gym, drop ceilings in the hallways, new boiler and chiller rooms, new switchgear and heating pump, and new fire prevention. Lincoln-Irving received a new HVAC system, new LED lighting, fire prevention, new chiller enclosure and electrical service, kindergarten classrooms relocation of

smartboards, new carpet in the library, and new carpet and air conditioning in the new specialists room. An exact shipping date for the Lincoln-Irving chiller is still unknown according to Mr. Karstens. The High School received a new roof, tuck-pointing on the front of the building, and the east gym block exterior was reglazed. Butterworth received a new parking lot along with new sidewalks on the west side of the building. Horace Mann's west drive and bus drop off area received asphalt replacement.

Erin Waldron-Smith, Board Member, asked if Washington received new furniture. Mr. Karstens stated that both Washington and Butterworth have received additional new furniture for classrooms.

Mr. Gallo highlighted the 2023-2024 school year projects. The High School projects will be the welding room design completion and bidding in October, front entrance bidding in October, and also an athletic facility study. John Deere's stage lighting is under contract. Wilson's stage lighting is awaiting board approval. Wilson is also in need of fire alarms (HLS). Horace Mann is in need of a new boiler; the design is complete and out for bid. Bicentennial, John Deere, and Roosevelt are in need of heat pump repair.

Mr. Gallo spoke about the school year 2024-2025 and beyond. The District will have the Lincoln-Irving expansion, all athletic field assessments & updates, Browning facility updates, 10 year life safety survey, interior painting, and Allendale tuck-pointing. The following buildings are in need of LED lighting (Esser 3 Funds for 2024); Bicentennial, Jefferson, Roosevelt, Wilson, Allendale, Coolidge, and Wharton Fieldhouse.

Mr. Gallo updated the timeline for Lincoln-Irving & Athletic Facility. During the fall of 2023, the District will address immediate needs and start discussions on scope of projects. During the spring and fall of 2024, the District administration will develop preliminary designs. In the 2025-2026 school year the District will seek additional stakeholders to help finalize project planning and design. During the school year 2026-2027, Lincoln-Irving construction will begin with students moving into the remodeled Lincoln-Irving building in 2027-2028. The District will retire Willard Elementary once the students move into the new Lincoln-Irving building.

## **BOARD POLICY REVIEW**

### **Procedure 4:150 Facility Management and Building Programs**

Andy Waeyaert, Board Member, asked for questions regarding this policy. Ramona Dixon, Board Member, would like to reiterate that "All District buildings and grounds shall be adequately maintained in order to provide an appropriate, safe, and energy efficient physical environment for learning and teaching." Ms. Dixon talked about young ladies not feeling safe and comfortable in a restroom at the High School due to the restroom not having exterior doors, which allows others to see into the restroom. Jathinram Kollarapu, Student Advisory Board Member,

commented that it isn't just male or female restrooms without entry doors, certain doors are removed and create a lack of privacy. Dr. Savage proposed that an assessment be done of the restrooms.

Ms. Waldron Smith asked when the last time bathrooms were updated at the High School. Dr. Savage advised that restroom updates could be discussed as a future project.

Mr. Kollarapu, stated that the potholes in the student parking lot are becoming an issue.

Policy 7:160 Student Appearance

This discussion will be tabled until the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

A motion was made by Chet DeSmet, seconded by Audrey Adamson, unanimously carried, that the Committee of the Whole meeting be adjourned. Time: 6:54 p.m.

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President

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Secretary

### **3. Introduction of Student Board of Education Member**

Recitation of the Oath of Office for Student Board of Education Member

### **4. Public Comment and Participation**

### **5. Student Spotlight - Franklin Elementary**

### **6. Presentation of 2023 Tax Levy - Vince Gallo**

### **7. Economics Textbook Update - Dr. Matthew DeBaene**

### **8. Discussion Regarding Delegate Assembly Proposals to be Presented at the Triple I Conference in November 2023 - Jason Farrell**

### **9. Adjournment**

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