

METAMORA COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING AGENDA

Metamora Grade School Library
Thursday, August 13, 2026, 7:00 PM

- 1 Call to Order - President Dana Smith
- 2 Roll Call - Secretary Mary Schierer
- 3 Pledge of Allegiance
- 4 **Reports from the Public**
 - A. Public Comments and/or Petitions to the Board

People wishing to address the Board of Education are guided by Board of Education Policy 2:230, "Public Participation at School Board Meetings and Petitions to the Board"

- 5 Acknowledgement of Cards and Letters
- 6 **Consent Agenda**
 - A. Minutes

METAMORA COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT #1
Regular Board of Education Meeting–Metamora Grade School
Thursday, July 9, 2026 7:00 p.m.

Minutes

ATTENDEES

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm. Those in attendance: Dana Smith (via phone), Matt Wilkerson, Trent Yoder, Kristina Grebner-Rauh, Dave Gleissner, Mary Schierer, Jared Frye, Tim Damery, Elizabeth Stephens, Rose Efau, Dr. Ben Lee.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Dave Gleissner, second by Jared Frye, motion passed 5-0.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Superintendent Report–Dr. Lee provided an update on the property at 901 Partridge. Asbestos testing has been completed. The next step is the generation of the abatement scope and bidding process to determine the most cost effective removal.

The passage of solar legislation will push MGS to the front of the line in the required engineering study queue from our current position of number 145.

Preliminary health insurance premium renewals showed a 20% increase. The health insurance committee is reviewing plan options as well as appealing for rate relief. Finally, the MGS Foundation was the recipient of Reclaimed Resale's generous revenue sharing program with this check totaling \$10,000! The Foundation's first round of teacher mini-grant applications for the school year will be shared next week.

Transportation Director Elizabeth Stephens provided the Board with an update on busing. To combat the rising costs of buses, routes have been restructured to balance riders and allow for at least one less bus in the fleet. This is the last year of our bus lease and we wish to avoid leasing in future years. We currently have 12 buses total. The route changes will be communicated with parents with in person Q&A available during Back to School night August 17. Parents can meet the bus drivers, learn anticipated pick up and drop off times, etc.

Dr. Lee explained the goal of enhancing crosswalk features for Route 89 through the Safe Routes to School grant, allowing for an even safer crossing option for students, enabling the possibility of busing fewer in-town students north of Route 116 in the future.

ACTION ITEMS

The Board approved the following:

- **APPROVE NICOLE ROACH AS CERTIFIED TEACHER, PENDING RESULTS OF LICENSURE AND BACKGROUND CHECK.**

MOTION: Dana Smith, SECOND: Trent Yoder; motion carried 5-0.

ADJOURN

Motion by Dana Smith, Second by Trent Yoder to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote at 7:45 p.m.

Dana Smith, President

Mary Schierer, Secretary



ISDLAF+ Monthly Statement

Metamora C.C.S.D. #1

Please Note:

THE FUND WILL BE CLOSED SEPTEMBER 7TH IN OBSERVANCE OF THE LABOR DAY HOLIDAY

Activity Summary (IL01-11327-0101) General Fund

7/1/2026 - 7/31/2026

Investment Pool Summary	LIQ	MAX
Beginning Market Balance	\$334.54	\$760,407.06
Dividends	\$0.93	\$2,311.12
Purchases	\$0.00	\$0.00
Redemptions	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ending Market Balance	\$335.47	\$762,718.18
Average Monthly Rate	3.565%	3.579%
NAV / Share Price	1.000	1.000
Total	\$335.47	\$762,718.18

Total Fixed Income	\$963,200.00
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Account Total	\$1,726,253.65
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Your Representative

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Transaction Activity (IL01-11327-0101) General Fund

LIQ 7/1/2026 - 7/31/2026

Transaction	Trade Date	Settle Date	Description	Redemption	Purchase	NAV / Share Price	Shares this Transaction
	07/31/2026	07/31/2026	Total Dividend Reinvestment	\$0.00	\$0.93	\$1.000	0.930
				\$0.00	\$0.93		0.930

Beginning Market Value: \$334.54 | Ending Market Value: \$335.47



Transaction Activity (IL01-11327-0101) General Fund

MAX 7/1/2026 - 7/31/2026

Transaction	Trade Date	Settle Date	Description	Redemption	Purchase	NAV / Share Price	Shares this Transaction
	07/31/2026	07/31/2026	Total Dividend Reinvestment	\$0.00	\$2,311.12	\$1.000	2,311.120
				\$0.00	\$2,311.12		2,311.120

Beginning Market Value: \$760,407.06 | Ending Market Value: \$762,718.18

Current Portfolio

7/31/2026

Type	Code	Holding Id	Trade Date	Settle Date	Maturity Date	Description	Cost	Rate	NAV / Share Price	Face/Par/Shares	Market Value
LIQ				07/31/2026		LIQ Account Balance	\$335.47	3.565%	\$1.000	335.470	\$335.47
MAX				07/31/2026		MAX Account Balance	\$762,718.18	3.579%	\$1.000	762,718.180	\$762,718.18
CD	N	1400922-1	04/10/2026	04/10/2026	04/09/2027	Solera National Bank, CO	\$240,800.00	3.726%		249,747.810	\$240,800.00
CD	N	1400923-1	04/10/2026	04/10/2026	04/09/2027	First State Bank of DeQueen, AR	\$240,800.00	3.715%		249,722.270	\$240,800.00
CD	N	1400924-1	04/10/2026	04/10/2026	04/09/2027	ServisFirst Bank, FL	\$240,900.00	3.737%		249,878.840	\$240,900.00
CD	N	1400921-1	04/10/2026	04/10/2026	04/09/2027	Flagstar Bank, National Association, NY	\$240,700.00	3.769%		249,747.130	\$240,700.00
							\$1,726,253.65			1,762,149.700	\$1,726,253.65

Time and Dollar Weighted Average Portfolio Yield: 3.737%

Weighted Average Portfolio Maturity: 252.00 Days

Note: Weighted Yield & Weighted Average Portfolio Maturity are calculated using "Market Value" and are only based on the fixed rate investments.

Portfolio Summary

Type	Allocation (%)	Allocation (\$)	Description
LIQ	0.019%	\$335.47	LIQ Account
MAX	44.183%	\$762,718.18	MAX Account
CD	55.797%	\$963,200.00	Certificate of Deposit

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Cost is comprised of the total amount you paid for the investment (including any fees and commissions) plus any reinvested dividends.

Rate is the average monthly yield for pool investments or the rate on the last business day of the month for SDA investments or the yield to maturity or yield to worst for fixed term investments.

Face/Par/Shares is the amount received at maturity for fixed rate investments or the balance at statement date for pool investments.

Market Value reflects the market value as reported by an independent third-party pricing service. Certificates of Deposit and other assets for which market pricing is not readily available from a third-party pricing service are listed at "Cost" for fixed term investments or the balance at statement date for pool investments.

Deposit Codes

N	Single FEIN
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Itemized Categories

6/30/2017 through 8/6/2026

8/6/2026

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Date	Account	Num	Description	Memo	Clr	Amount
INCOME						1,488,305.13
	5th Grade Coin Wars Income					2,107.27
	8th Grade Class, Field Trip Income					164,055.31
	Art Commotion Income					22,212.25
	Bank Charge Income					1,078.65
	Book Fair Income					117,543.50
	Boy's Baseball Income					21,131.84
	Boy's Basketball Income					73,905.97
	Cheerleaders Income					83,601.17
	Chorus Income					26,200.99
	Cross Country Income					14,557.98
	Girl's Basketball Income					10,492.31
	Girl's Softball Income					1,215.80
	Golf Income					2,024.90
	Kdg Trips Income					700.00
	Lego Club Income					118.00
	Math Counts Income					627.50
	Newspaper Income					1,487.80
	PE Income					4,065.00
	Playground Income					159,876.86
	Pom Pon Income					14,269.73
	PTO Income					403,389.28
	Redbird Boosters Income					235,779.33
	Roley Service Project Income					954.50
	Scholastic Team Income					2,508.00
	Snack Donation Income					200.00
	Snacks & Smiles Income					1,082.45
	Speech Literary Income					4,017.97
	Student Council Income					41,633.85
	Sunshine Fund Income					43,292.38
	Target, Kroger Rebate Income					7,965.12
	Tjaden 6th Grade Math Income					1,000.00
	Track (Boys And Girls) Income					3,395.89
	Ukuelle Club Income					27.00
	Unified Redbirds Income					3,357.18
	Volleyball Income					5,652.00
	water fund					0.00
	Yearbook Income					12,777.35
EXPENSES						-1,412,141.37
	Uncategorized					0.00
	1st Grade Trip					0.00
	2nd Grade Trip					0.00
	3rd Grade Trip					0.00
	4th Grade Trip					0.00
	5th Grade Coin Wars					-1,716.30
	5th Grade PNC Grant					0.00
	5th Grade Trip					0.00
	6th Grade Trip					0.00
	7th Grade Trip					0.00
	8th Grade Class, Field Trip					-160,345.20

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Date	Account	Num	Description	Memo	Clr	Amount
			8th Grade Field Trips			0.00
			8th grade Science Fund			0.00
			Art Commotion			-19,825.11
			Bank Charge			-811.06
			Blakesly Memorial Fund			0.00
			Book Fair			-109,697.95
			Boy's Baseball			-20,294.29
			Boy's Basketball			-72,981.97
			Character Education			0.00
			Cheerleaders			-83,013.72
			Chess Club			0.00
			Chorus			-25,218.67
			Cross Country			-11,721.48
			Diversity Fair			0.00
			Donna Shifeling Memorial			0.00
			Erin's Law			0.00
			Galeen Driscoll Memorial			0.00
			Girl's Basketball			-8,582.03
			Girl's Softball			-1,145.03
			Graduation			0.00
			Jacobs-Private Donation			0.00
			Jean's Donation			0.00
			Jr High Incentives			0.00
			Kdg Trips			-700.00
			Math Counts			-387.50
			Misc.			0.00
			Miscellaneous			0.00
			Paper Machine			0.00
			PE			-3,820.65
			Playground			-159,876.86
			Pom Pon			-12,274.59
			PTO			-377,694.45
			Reading - AW			0.00
			Reading Program			0.00
			Recycling Program			0.00
			Redbird Boosters			-230,735.52
			Roley Service Project			-954.50
			Scholastic Team			-2,172.36
			SESS			0.00
			Simpsons Stem Group			0.00
			Snack Donation			-185.66
			Snacks and Smiles			-744.20
			Speech Literary			-3,415.91
			Student Council			-36,311.99
			Summer School Scholarship			0.00
			Sunshine Fund			-42,461.89
			Target, Kroger Rebate			-5,392.24
			Taylor Rudd Memorial			0.00
			Technology-chromebook Repair			0.00
			Technology-chromebooks			0.00
			Tjaden 6th Grade Math			-996.43
			Track (Boys And Girls)			-1,653.23

Itemized Categories

6/30/2017 through 8/6/2026

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Date	Account	Num	Description	Memo	Clr	Amount
			Unified Redbirds			-2,575.99
			Volleyball			-5,340.57
			Wood-private Donation			0.00
			Yearbook			-9,094.02
OVERALL TO...						76,163.76



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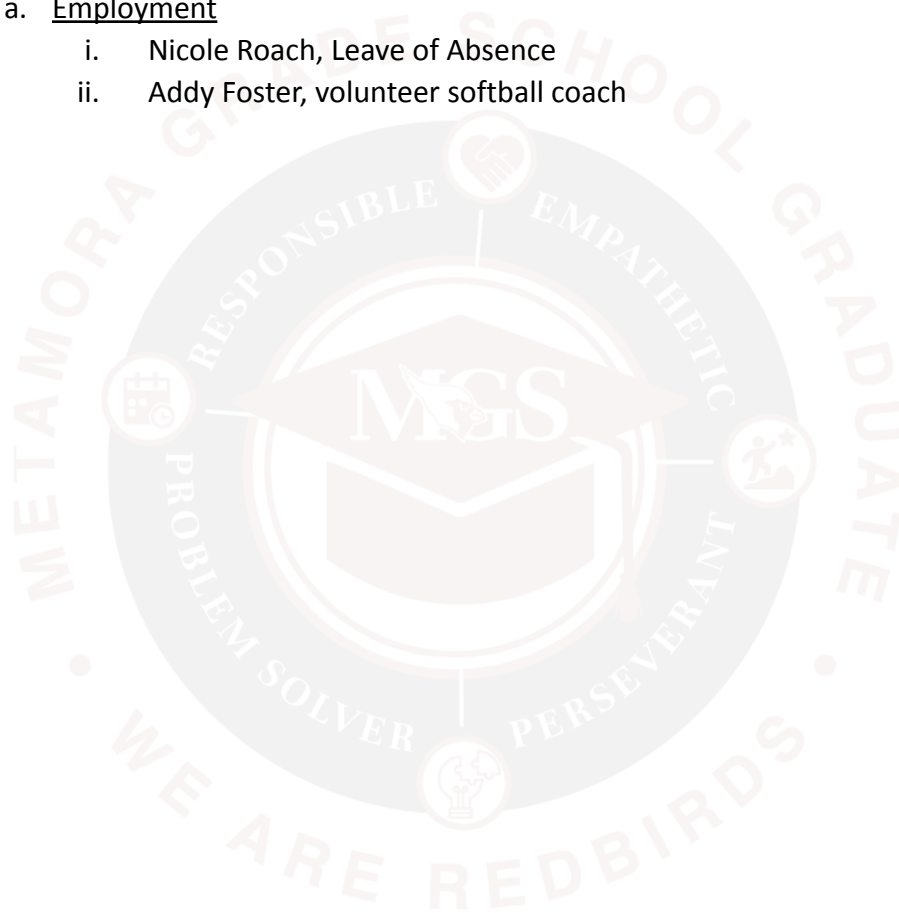
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Board of Education Personnel Report

August 2026

a. Employment

- i. Nicole Roach, Leave of Absence
- ii. Addy Foster, volunteer softball coach



DR. BENJAMIN LEE, SUPERINTENDENT
MR. TIM DAMERY, PRINCIPAL K-4
MR. BEN DIRKS, PRINCIPAL 5-8

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July 21, 2026

Dear Dr. Lee,

I am writing this to request approval from the Board of Education for a leave of absence beginning August 19, 2026 and ending September 25, 2026; this is for a total of 27 school attendance days. The leave requested is due to the birth of my child on July 23, 2026. If complications arise, I will make sure to amend the date and notify you and the Board of Education as soon as possible.

Thank you!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nicole Roach". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Nicole" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Roach".

Nicole Roach

3rd Grade ELA and Social Studies

(309) 397-3087

- E. Destruction of Executive Session Audio Recordings Older than 18 Months
- 7 **Information Items**
 - A. **Administrative Reports**
 - 1. K-4 Principal Report



METAMORA GRADE SCHOOL

TIM DAMERY - K-4 PRINCIPAL

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BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT

August 13, 2026

Academic Growth/Engaged Learning Environment

- In Service Highlights for Aug. 17-19
 - Station Rotation Model
 - MTSS/MAP Data
 - BLT Presentations on Station Rotation
 - Progress Monitoring Training
 - Reading Horizons Training for K-5 to Support MTSS
 - Staff and Team Meetings

Community Engagement

- PTO Pool Party on Aug. 7th.
- Kindergarten Kick Off sponsored by the PTO on Aug. 16th.
- PTO Purchased three picnic tables and five benches for the playground
- Back to School Night on Aug. 17th





METAMORA GRADE SCHOOL

BEN DIRKS - 5-8 PRINCIPAL

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BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT

August 13, 2026

Academic Growth

- We are preparing for staff and students to return to the building for another exciting year full of learning and growth! Highlights for the Teacher In-Service activities for August 17 and 18 are below...
 - MTSS Process Improvement
 - MAP Data Deep Dive
 - The Building Learning Team will present to staff about the Station Rotation Model.
 - Teacher training on ALEKS, GoGuardian, Reading Horizons, and Progress Monitoring.
 - Para-Pro Staff Meeting
 - Grade Level Team Meetings
- New Teacher Orientation is scheduled for Friday, Aug 7, 2026 .

Engaging Learning Environments

- Jr. High student schedules are completed with the exception of any requested changes.

Community Engagement

- KNZ Construction is still planning on fixing the roofs on the baseball and softball field dugouts. They are hoping to complete this next week. Weather delays have put them behind this summer.
- New tables and benches for the playground/ball fields are ready to be used!
- Back to School Night is Monday, Aug 17, 2026 .





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August 2026 Superintendent Report

Strategic Pillar 2: Engaging Learning Environment

Enrollment & Class Size Update

As of August 7, 230 students have been officially registered. That number typically ramps up the first week of August. There was no increase in registration fees. The incoming kindergarten class size is 66. The outgoing 8th grade class size was 92. We've had 28 new students register and 14 existing students unenroll.

Strategic Pillar 4: Facilities & Operations

Tentative Budget–

The budget tracks very similarly to last year—same revenue projected locally, with a modest increase in Evidence Based Funding predicted—although actual numbers have yet to be released. Increased costs to salaries, retirement contributions will be partially offset by not budgeting any flexible seating upgrades or technology investments.

Facilities Update–

Asbestos abatement for 901 Partridge is scheduled for August 19-24. Demolition will occur after that. Window installation/replacements were delayed due to installer backlog. Therefore, they will be completed this fall when students are not in the building. Cafeteria floor and sound paneling is completed!

Safe Routes to School Grant–

Throughout the year, data will be collected, including parent feedback, as part of this IDOT grant. The objective is to provide new, highly visible crosswalk equipment to improve the safety of students and parents crossing the highway on the way to and from school.

DR. BENJAMIN LEE, SUPERINTENDENT
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- B. Transportation Director Stephens**
1. Vehicular Hazard Resolution & Map

**RESOLUTION
CERTIFYING TRANSPORTATION SAFETY HAZARD FINDINGS
METAMORA CCSD #1**

WHEREAS, the Illinois School Code, 105 ILCS 5/29-3, requires that once a determination of hazardous transportation conditions is submitted by a School District and approved by the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), and;

WHEREAS, the respective School Board must annually review the conditions initially approved, and certify whether the conditions remain in existence and unchanged, and;

WHEREAS, the Metamora CCSD #1 Board of Education (the Board) certifies that the conditions set forth in the 2013 IDOT Serious Safety Hazard Findings (area west of Route 89 and south of 116 up to a 1.5 mile radius from Metamora Grade School continue to exist and remain unchanged, and;

WHEREAS, the Board has not identified any new serious safety conditions that might qualify as IDOT Serious Safety Hazards during the past year, except as noted above, and;

WHEREAS, the Board requests free transportation for the student population identified as being served by Serious Safety Hazard Findings during the 2026-2027 school year.

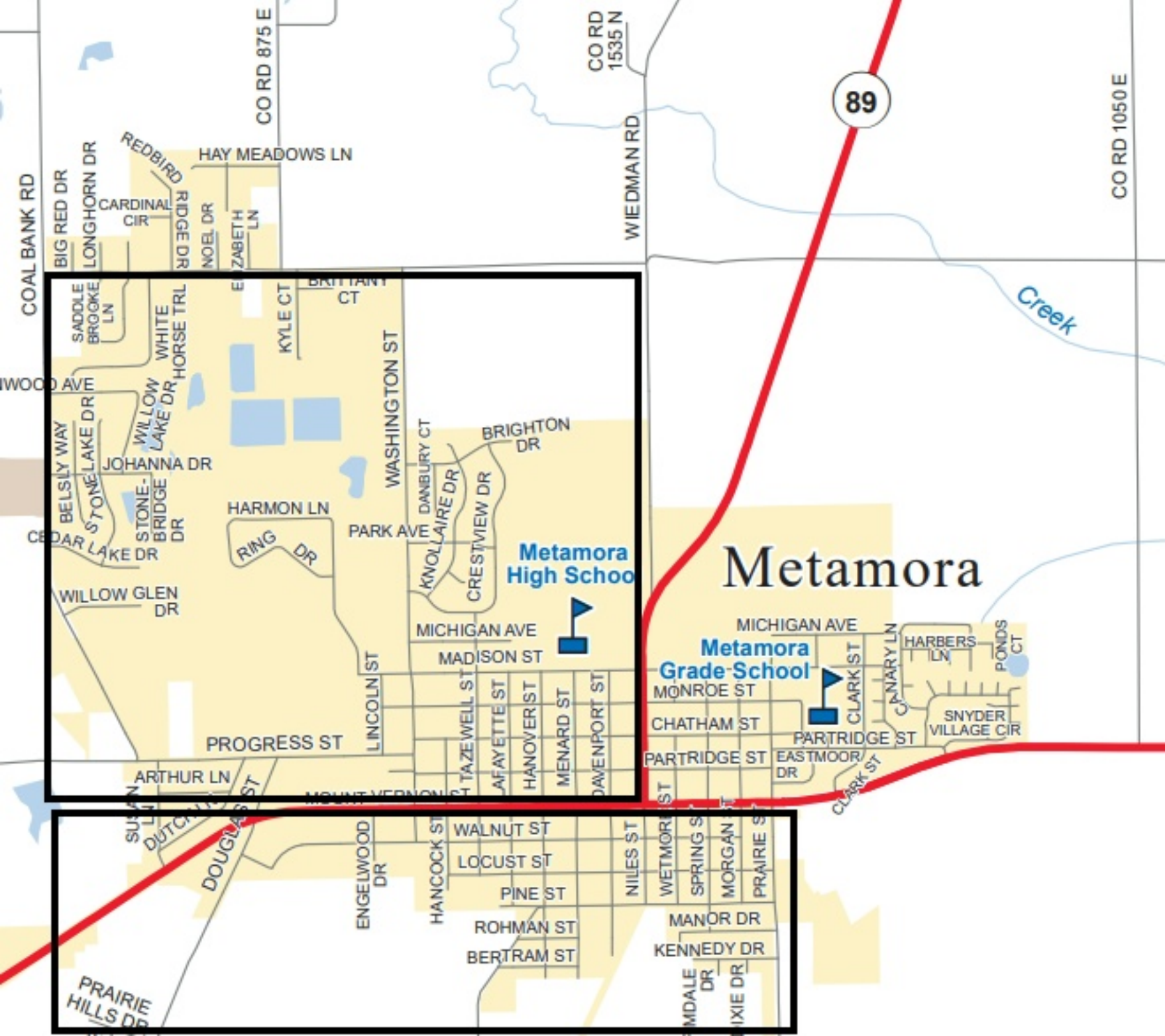
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, this 13th Day of August, 2026, that the Metamora CCSD #1 Board of Education requests free transportation for these students for the 2026-2027 school year, as allowed under 105 ILCS 5/29-3.

AYES _____
NAYES _____
ABSTAIN _____

Dana Smith, Board President

Attest:

Jared Frye, Board Vice President





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MGS Resignations-BOE Informational Item

August 2026

a. Resignations

- i. Amber Lorenzatti, Volleyball Coach
- ii. Skylar Miller, Kindergarten Teacher
- iii. Emily Brewer, Part-Time Special Education Aide
- iv. Justin Gibson, Bus Driver

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Fwd: Volleyball

1 message

Karrie Damerell <kdamerell@mgsredbirds.org>
To: Ben Lee <blee@mgsredbirds.org>

Wed, May 20, 2026 at 9:19 AM

Ms. Karrie Damerell
Metamora Grade School
Athletic Director
8th Grade Social Studies
O: 309.367.2361
"Let's Go Redbirds!!"

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Amber Lorenzatti** <alorenzatti@mgsredbirds.org>
Date: Tue, May 12, 2026 at 3:25 PM
Subject: Volleyball
To: Karrie Damerell <kdamerell@mgsredbirds.org>, Madison Tjaden <mtjaden@mgsredbirds.org>

Good afternoon!

After careful consideration over the past several months, I have made the decision to resign from my position as the 8th grade volleyball coach. While I truly enjoyed coaching and would have loved to continue, I believe it is in the best interest of my commitments to step down to ensure I can effectively manage my graduate classes, internship, working full time, and being a mom.

7/13/2026

Dear Ben Lee & Tim Damery,

Please accept this letter as a formal notice of my resignation from my position as a Kindergarten teacher at Metamora Grade School.

This was not an easy decision, as I have valued my time here and I am so grateful for the opportunities, support, and relationships that I have built during my time at Metamora. I have learned so much and will always appreciate being part of this community.

After much thought, my fiance has accepted a job opportunity back home, and we have decided that this is the right step for us as we begin the next chapter of our lives and prepare to start our family.

Thank you for guidance, encouragement, and support. I wish you, the staff, and the students continued success in the years ahead.

Sincerely,

Skylar Miller

Switch to Sub Role

Emily Brewer <brewemk@gmail.com>

Wed, Jul 29, 2026 at 3:33 PM

To: Ben Lee <blee@mgsredbirds.org>

Dr. Lee

I would like to formally resign from my position as a 1:1 aide for Luke and switch to perform a more flexible sub role due to my ongoing medical problems.

I appreciate your care in this matter and plan to start the year as I had previously planned, just under a sub role instead. Once my role has been filled, I would like to be considered for a couple of full-day sub positions for Gen-ed or para professional roles per week as needed.

Thanks,

Emily Brewer

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **justin gibson** <gibby53085@gmail.com>

Date: Thu, Jul 30, 2026 at 4:30 PM

Subject: Letter

To: Elizabeth Stephens <estephens@mgsredbirds.org>

To Whom It May Concern,

Please accept this letter as my formal resignation from my position as a bus driver with Metamora Grade School. I have accepted another opportunity and have decided to pursue a new direction in my career.

I am grateful for the opportunity to have worked with the students, staff, and community. Thank you for the support and experience I have gained during my time at Metamora Grade School.

I wish everyone at Metamora Grade School continued success in the future.

Sincerely,

Justin Gibson

8 Discussion Items

9 **Action Items**

A. Approve Leave of Absence for Nicole Roach

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July 21, 2026

Dear Dr. Lee,

I am writing this to request approval from the Board of Education for a leave of absence beginning August 19, 2026 and ending September 25, 2026; this is for a total of 27 school attendance days. The leave requested is due to the birth of my child on July 23, 2026. If complications arise, I will make sure to amend the date and notify you and the Board of Education as soon as possible.

Thank you!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nicole Roach". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Nicole Roach
3rd Grade ELA and Social Studies
(309) 397-3087

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1	Begin entering data on EstRev 6-10 and EstExp 11-19 tabs.											
2	Description: Enter Whole Numbers Only	Acct #	(10) Educational	(20) Operations & Maintenance	(30) Debt Service	(40) Transportation	(50) Municipal Retirement/ Social Security	(60) Capital Projects	(70) Working Cash	(80) Tort	(90) Fire Prevention & Safety	
3	ESTIMATED BEGINNING FUND BALANCE (without Student Activity Funds) ¹ as of July 1, 2026		489,556	163,113	24,385	41,191	139,627	637,690	2,128,233	66,933	219,412	
4	RECEIPTS/REVENUES (without Student Activity Funds)											
5	LOCAL SOURCES	1000	4,572,806	560,815	1,547,471	293,145	230,887	580,100	148,305	320,495	98,226	
6	FLOW-THROUGH RECEIPTS/REVENUES FROM ONE DISTRICT TO ANOTHER DISTRICT	2000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
7	STATE SOURCES	3000	2,868,392	0	0	300,000	0	50,000	0	0	0	
8	FEDERAL SOURCES	4000	385,600	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
9	Total Direct Receipts/Revenues ⁸		7,826,798	560,815	1,547,471	593,145	230,887	630,100	148,305	320,495	98,226	
10	Receipts/Revenues for "On Behalf" Payments ²	3998										
11	Total Receipts/Revenues		7,826,798	560,815	1,547,471	593,145	230,887	630,100	148,305	320,495	98,226	
12	DISBURSEMENTS/EXPENDITURES (without Student Activity Funds)											
13	INSTRUCTION	1000	5,618,039				137,077			0		
14	SUPPORT SERVICES	2000	1,466,727	570,158		723,140	201,591	600,000		291,637	0	
15	COMMUNITY SERVICES	3000	7,164	0		0	0	0		0		
16	PAYMENTS TO OTHER DISTRICTS & GOVT UNITS	4000	1,262,810	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	
17	DEBT SERVICES	5000	0	0	1,547,898	0	0	0		0	0	
18	PROVISION FOR CONTINGENCIES	6000	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	
19	Total Direct Disbursements/Expenditures ⁹		8,354,740	570,158	1,547,898	723,140	338,668	600,000		291,637	0	
20	Disbursements/Expenditures for "On Behalf" Payments ²	4180	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	
21	Total Disbursements/Expenditures		8,354,740	570,158	1,547,898	723,140	338,668	600,000		291,637	0	
22	Excess of Direct Receipts/Revenues Over (Under) Direct Disbursements/Expenditures		(527,942)	(9,343)	(427)	(129,995)	(107,781)	30,100	148,305	28,858	98,226	
23	OTHER SOURCES/USES OF FUNDS											
24	OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDS (7000)											
25	PERMANENT TRANSFER FROM VARIOUS FUNDS											
26	Abolishment the Working Cash Fund ¹⁶	7110										
27	Abatement of the Working Cash Fund ¹⁶	7110				200,000						
28	Transfer of Working Cash Fund Interest	7120										
29	Transfer Among Funds	7130										
30	Transfer of Interest	7140										
31	Transfer from Capital Projects Fund to O&M Fund	7150		0								
32	Transfer of Excess Fire Prev & Safety Tax & Interest ³ Proceeds to O&M Fund	7160		0								
33	Transfer of Excess Accumulated Fire Prev & Safety Bond and Int ^{3a} Proceeds to Debt Service Fund	7170			0							
34	SALE OF BONDS (7200)											
35	Principal on Bonds Sold ⁴	7210										
36	Premium on Bonds Sold	7220										
37	Accrued Interest on Bonds Sold	7230										
38	Sale or Compensation for Fixed Assets ⁵	7300										
39	Transfer to Debt Service to Pay Principal on Leases	7400			0							
40	Transfer to Debt Service to Pay Interest on Leases	7500			0							
41	Transfer to Debt Service Fund to Pay Principal on Revenue Bonds	7600			0							
42	Transfer to Debt Service Fund to Pay Interest on Revenue Bonds	7700			0							
43	Transfer to Capital Projects Fund	7800						0				
44	ISBE Loan Proceeds	7900										
45	Other Sources Not Classified Elsewhere	7990										
46	Total Other Sources of Funds ⁸		0	0	0	200,000	0	0	0	0	0	

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2	Description: Enter Whole Numbers Only	Acct #	Educational	Operations & Maintenance	Debt Service	Transportation	Municipal Retirement/ Social Security	Capital Projects	Working Cash	Tort	Fire Prevention & Safety	
47	OTHER USES OF FUNDS (8000)											
49	TRANSFER TO VARIOUS OTHER FUNDS (8100)											
50	Abolishment or Abatement of the Working Cash Fund ¹⁶	8110							200,000			
51	Transfer of Working Cash Fund Interest	8120							0			
52	Transfer Among Funds	8130										
53	Transfer of Interest ⁶	8140										
54	Transfer from Capital Projects Fund to O&M Fund	8150										
55	Transfer of Excess Fire Prev & Safety Tax & Interest ³ Proceeds to O&M Fund	8160										
56	Transfer of Excess Accumulated Fire Prev & Safety Bond ^{3a} and	8170										
56	Int Proceeds to Debt Service Fund											
57	Taxes Pledged to Pay Principal on Leases	8410										
58	Grants/Reimbursements Pledged to Pay Principal on Leases	8420										
59	Other Revenues Pledged to Pay Principal on Leases	8430										
60	Fund Balance Transfers Pledged to Pay Principal on Leases	8440										
61	Taxes Pledged to Pay Interest on Leases	8510										
62	Grants/Reimbursements Pledged to Pay Interest on Leases	8520										
63	Other Revenues Pledged to Pay Interest on Leases	8530										
64	Fund Balance Transfers Pledged to Pay Interest on Leases	8540										
65	Taxes Pledged to Pay Principal on Revenue Bonds	8610										
66	Grants/Reimbursements Pledged to Pay Principal on Revenue Bonds	8620										
67	Other Revenues Pledged to Pay Principal on Revenue Bonds	8630										
68	Fund Balance Transfers Pledged to Pay Principal on Revenue Bonds	8640										
69	Taxes Pledged to Pay Interest on Revenue Bonds	8710										
70	Grants/Reimbursements Pledged to Pay Interest on Revenue Bonds	8720										
71	Other Revenues Pledged to Pay Interest on Revenue Bonds	8730										
72	Fund Balance Transfers Pledged to Pay Interest on Revenue Bonds	8740										
73	Taxes Transferred to Pay for Capital Projects	8810										
74	Grants/Reimbursements Pledged to Pay for Capital Projects	8820										
75	Other Revenues Pledged to Pay for Capital Projects	8830										
76	Fund Balance Transfers Pledged to Pay for Capital Projects	8840										
77	Transfer to Debt Service Fund to Pay Principal on ISBE Loans	8910										
78	Other Uses Not Classified Elsewhere	8990										
79	Total Other Uses of Funds ⁹		0	0	0	0	0	0	200,000	0	0	
80	Total Other Sources/Uses of Fund		0	0	0	200,000	0	0	(200,000)	0	0	
81	ESTIMATED ENDING FUND BALANCE (without Student Activity Funds) as of June 30, 2027		(38,386)	153,770	23,958	111,196	31,846	667,790	2,076,538	95,791	317,638	
82												
83	Student Activity (Fund 11) ESTIMATED BEGINNING FUND BALANCE as of July 1, 2026		105,579									
84	RECEIPTS/REVENUES (For Student Activity Funds)											
85	Total Student Activity Direct Receipts/Revenues (Local Sources)	1799	170,000									
86	DISBURSEMENTS/EXPENDITURES (For Student Activity Funds)											
87	Total Student Activity Direct Disbursements/Expenditures	1999	220,000									
88	Excess of Direct Receipts/Revenues Over (Under) Direct Disbursements/Expenditures		(50,000)									
89	Student Activity ESTIMATED ENDING FUND BALANCE as of June 30, 2027		55,579									
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91	Total ESTIMATED BEGINNING FUND BALANCE (All Sources Including Student Activity Funds) as of July 1, 2026		595,135	163,113	24,385	41,191	139,627	637,690	2,128,233	66,933	219,412	
92	RECEIPTS/REVENUES (All Sources with Student Activity Funds)											
93	LOCAL SOURCES	1000	4,742,806	560,815	1,547,471	293,145	230,887	580,100	148,305	320,495	98,226	
94	FLOW-THROUGH RECEIPTS/REVENUES FROM ONE DISTRICT TO ANOTHER DISTRICT	2000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
95	STATE SOURCES	3000	2,868,392	0	0	300,000	0	50,000	0	0	0	
96	FEDERAL SOURCES	4000	385,600	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
97	Total Direct Receipts/Revenues ⁸		7,996,798	560,815	1,547,471	593,145	230,887	630,100	148,305	320,495	98,226	
98	Receipts/Revenues for "On Behalf" Payments ²	3998	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
99	Total Receipts/Revenues		7,996,798	560,815	1,547,471	593,145	230,887	630,100	148,305	320,495	98,226	
100	DISBURSEMENTS/EXPENDITURES (All Sources with Student Activity Funds)											
101	INSTRUCTION	1000	5,838,039				137,077			0		
102	SUPPORT SERVICES	2000	1,466,727	570,158		723,140	201,591	600,000		291,637	0	
103	COMMUNITY SERVICES	3000	7,164	0		0	0			0		
104	PAYMENTS TO OTHER DISTRICTS & GOVT UNITS	4000	1,262,810	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	
105	DEBT SERVICES	5000	0	0	1,547,898	0	0			0	0	
106	PROVISION FOR CONTINGENCIES	6000	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	
107	Total Direct Disbursements/Expenditures ⁹		8,574,740	570,158	1,547,898	723,140	338,668	600,000		291,637	0	
108	Disbursements/Expenditures for "On Behalf" Payments ²	4180	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	
109	Total Disbursements/Expenditures		8,574,740	570,158	1,547,898	723,140	338,668	600,000		291,637	0	
110	Excess of Direct Receipts/Revenues Over (Under) Direct Disbursements/Expenditures		(577,942)	(9,343)	(427)	(129,995)	(107,781)	30,100	148,305	28,858	98,226	
111	OTHER SOURCES/USES OF FUNDS											
112	OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDS (7000)											
113	Total Other Sources of Funds ⁸		0	0	0	200,000	0	0	0	0	0	
114	OTHER USES OF FUNDS (8000)											
116	Total Other Uses of Funds ⁹		0	0	0	0	0	0	200,000	0	0	
117	Total Other Sources/Uses of Fund		0	0	0	200,000	0	0	(200,000)	0	0	
118	ESTIMATED ENDING FUND BALANCE (All Sources with Student Activity Funds) as of June 30, 2027		17,193	153,770	23,958	111,196	31,846	667,790	2,076,538	95,791	317,638	
119												
120	SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES Without Student Activity Funds (by Major Object)											
121												
122	Description	Acct #	(10) Educational	(20) Operations & Maintenance	(30) Debt Service	(40) Transportation	(50) Municipal Retirement/ Social Security	(60) Capital Projects	(70) Working Cash	(80) Tort	(90) Fire Prevention & Safety	Total By Object
123	Object Name											
124	Salaries	100	4,725,555	287,536		281,766		0		97,669	0	5,392,526
125	Employee Benefits	200	1,077,543	43,781		90	338,668	0		0	0	1,460,082
126	Purchased Services	300	1,126,617	142,641	0	190,854		41,600		193,968	0	1,695,680
127	Supplies & Materials	400	481,432	96,000		72,900		0		0	0	650,332
128	Capital Outlay	500	121,548	0		175,070		558,400		0	0	855,018
129	Other Objects	600	822,045	200	1,547,898	2,460	0	0		0	0	2,372,603
130	Non-Capitalized Equipment	700	0	0		0		0		0	0	0
131	Termination Benefits	800	0	0		0				0		0
132	Total Expenditures		8,354,740	570,158	1,547,898	723,140	338,668	600,000		291,637	0	12,426,242

- C. Set Date and Time of Public Hearing to Approve 2026-2027 Metamora CCSD #1 Budget for 7:00PM on Thursday September 10, 2026

10 Executive Session

- A. 5ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) The appointment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity.
- B. 5ILCS (c) (2) Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.
- C. 5ILCS 12/2 (c) (14) Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by section 2.06 5ILCS 12/2 (c) (21)

11 Action Taken after the Executive Session Meeting

12 Adjournment