

Committee of the Whole Meeting
Monday, December 11, 2023 6:00 PM Central

Coolidge Professional Development Room
3430 Avenue of the Cities
Moline, Illinois 61265

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

2. **Approval of Minutes**

2.A. Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of November 13, 2023

MOLINE-COAL VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT 40
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
Monday, November 13, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

The Committee of the Whole Meeting was called to order by Board Vice-President Erin Waldron-Smith at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, November 13, 2023 at Franklin Elementary School, 5312 11th Avenue, 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
Jason Farrell, Board Member
Vince Gallo, Chief Financial Officer
Abigail Greenlee, Student Advisory Board Member
Lindsey Hines, Board member
Jathinram Kollarapu, Student Advisory Board Member
Dr. Brian Prybil, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Teaching and Learning
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:

Ramona Dixon, Board Member
Craig Reid, Director of Technology

APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

A motion was made by Jason Farrell, seconded by Audrey Adamson, unanimously carried, that the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting of October 09, 2023 be approved as presented and placed on file.

INTRODUCTION OF STUDENT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBER

Dr. Rachel Savage, Superintendent of Schools introduced Andrew Waeyaert, Board of Education President, who swore in Abigail Greenlee as a new Student Board of Education Member.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND PARTICIPATION

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

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT - FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY

Grant Putnam, Principal of Franklin Elementary, presented The Franklin Media Machine. There are four arms to The Franklin Media Machine, podcasts that drop every Sunday morning, Class Dojo messages that can be sent on a daily basis, a social media presence, and the news broadcast that airs every morning. Franklin has a news team with a president and four category managers. The Franklin news had over 85 applicants for the news team, which is made up of third, fourth, and fifth graders. The Franklin news is used for information sharing, a daily weather update, and most importantly sharing the positive to students about the good things happening at Franklin. The news is shared amongst students, staff, and parents.

PRESENTATION OF 2023 TAX LEVY

Vince Gallo, Chief Financial Officer, presented the 2023 Tax Levy calendar of events. Mr. Gallo's tax levy presentation on Monday, November 13th will be followed by a public hearing and board of education adoption at the meeting on December 11th. On December 19th the levy will be filed with Rock Island County, and then in the spring of 2024 the county will extend the levy amounts, and begin summer collection. A levy basis is the dollar amount the district needs next year from property taxes. It is the maximum dollar amount that the District will receive. This amount is based on the Equalized Assessed Value (EAV) and tax levy rates. The levy basis funds with statutory maximum rates are education, operations & maintenance, special education, fire prevention (life safety), working cash, and lease (facilities & technology). There are four levies with no statutory maximum rates based on District needs: liability insurance (tort), social security, Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF), and bonds & interest (quasi known). The 2023 detailed estimate is \$1,058,509,404 which is up 8.13%. A public tax levy hearing must be held if the levy is 105% of the prior year's extension (excludes bond & interest) and our District's percent is 109.4%, this hearing will be held in December 2023. The District's tax levy has been very steady for the last 20 years.

Jason Farrell, Board Member, asked about the District' working cash.

Lindsey Hines, Board Member, inquired about the hearing in December.

ECONOMICS TEXTBOOK UPDATE

Dr. Matthew DeBaene, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Teaching & Learning, informed all that the District is placing the Economics Textbook on public display starting tomorrow, November 14, 2023. The District uses McGraw Hill Networks for 6th-12th grades social studies curriculum. This Economics textbook aligns with the current social studies curriculum and includes an online component as well as physical copies of the textbook

Erin Waldron-Smith, Board Member, asked if this curriculum was piloted. Dr. DeBaene, stated that it was not piloted but the department reviewed options and selected this based upon content and alignment.

DISCUSSION REGARDING DELEGATE ASSEMBLY PROPOSALS TO BE PRESENTED AT THE TRIPLE I CONFERENCE IN NOVEMBER 2023

Jason Farrell, Board Member, presented to the Board about the upcoming voting recommendations for the Delegate Assembly. Mr. Farrell presented the three proposals that are not recommended to adopt: Industrial Construction, Employment History Review, and Alternative Safe School Funding. The two recommended proposals to adopt are School Resource Officer Funding and Bus Driver Regulations.

A motion was made by Adrew Waeyaert, seconded by Audrey Adamson, unanimously carried, that the Committee of the Whole meeting be adjourned. Time: 6:34 p.m.

President

Secretary

3. Public Comment and Participation

4. School Spotlight - Logan Elementary

5. Illinois School Report Card - Dr. Rachel Savage

6. Adjournment