

# **MARSEILLES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #150**

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## **BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING AGENDA**

**201 Chicago Street**

**Marseilles, Illinois**

**Library**

**May 22, 2025, at 7:00 P.M.**

### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

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**1.01 Roll Call Members: Jim Barnes, Cherise Byone, Christy Carpenter, Lawrence Cowie, Brad Miller, Julie Morey, and Vickie Thomas**

**Type: Action, Procedural**

**1.02 Pledge of Allegiance**

**Type: Procedural**

**1.03 Mission**

**Type: Procedural – Marseilles Elementary School is a collaborative community that ensures success for each student in all aspects of learning.**

**1.04 G.R.I.T. Award Recognition - 4th Quarter**

### **II. PUBLIC HEARING PETITIONS, QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM GUESTS AND VISITORS**

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**2.01 Public Comment**

**Type: Discussion**

At this point of our agenda, the public may address the Board. Comments are limited to three minutes per speaker. While a speaker may address any topic, we urge you to comment on matters that are on our agenda or which may be coming before the Board in the near future. The Board would like to remind the audience that the Board does not respond to or act on personnel complaints made in open session. The District has an established process for filing a personnel complaint and, consistent with the Open Meetings Act, we consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees in executive session. Similarly, the Board does not accept or respond to new evidence or arguments regarding student discipline matters. Consistent with the provisions of the School Code, and Illinois School Student Records Act, student discipline matters are heard before a hearing officer in a closed meeting, and acts on the hearing officer's report only.

### **III. ORGANIZATION/COMMITTEE REPORTS TO THE BOARD**

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**3.01 Marseilles Education Association**

**Type: Informational**

#### **IV. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

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**4.01 Principal: Shawn Collins**  
**Type: Informational**

**4.02 Superintendent: Brenda Donahue**  
**Type: Informational**

#### **V. FINANCIAL REPORT**

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**5.01 Treasurer's Report: Craig Hepner**  
**Type: Informational**

#### **VI. CONSENT AGENDA**

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**Type: Action**

**Recommended: Approve the Consent Agenda as presented.**

**6.01 Minutes of the Meeting(s): April 24, 2025**

**6.02 Treasurer's Report**

**6.03 Accounts Payables**

**6.04 Deposits**

**6.05 Employee and/or Board Member professional development, travel expenditures  
and/or reimbursements**

**6.06 Payroll**

**6.07 Activity report**

**6.08 Budget Reports**

**6.09 Disposal of Closed Session**  
**Audio Recording(s) –**

**6.10 Requests for Information - Received on 5.7.25 by Abbas Khan and responded to on  
5.12.25.**

## **VII. ACTION ITEMS**

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- 7.01 Approve the Consent Agenda.**  
Type: Action  
Recommended: Approve the Consent Agenda as presented.
- 7.02 Approve the following resignations: Cheyenne Timm (fifth-grade teacher), Lainey Mason (junior high teacher), Haylee Casey (part-time custodian), Lainey Hicks and Tonya Thompson (TNT club sponsors), and Jared Mason (boys basketball coach).**  
Type: Action  
Recommended: Approve as presented.
- 7.03 Approve the following transfers/hires pending appropriate licensure and passing of all background checks (if new): Lexi Greve (fifth grade teacher) and Lisa Smith (special education teacher).**  
Type: Action  
Recommended: Approve as presented.
- 7.04 Approve the intent to retire at the end of the 2028-2029 school year, from Janice Johnson (second grade teacher).**  
Type: Action  
Recommended: Approve as presented.
- 7.05 Approve the first reading of Press Policy issue 118.**  
Type: Action  
Recommended: Approve as presented.
- 7.06 Approve the placement of the Fiscal Year 2025 budget on display.**  
Type: Action  
Recommended: Approve placement as recommended for amendment.
- 7.07 Approve raising the adult lunch price by 25 cents for the 25-26 school year as required by the National School Lunch Program and Section 205 of the Healthy Hunger-Free Kids Act Of 2010.**  
Type: Action  
Recommended: Approve as presented.
- 7.08 Approve the payment of \$82,434.31 for the Property/Casualty/Liability Package and \$59,682.31 for the Workers Compensation Package to the Prairie State Insurance Cooperative.**  
Type: Action  
Recommended: History - For the 19-20 school year we switched to PSIC which is a self-insured structure, so claims come from the pool first before going to the actual policy. We previously paid \$62,615 for property and \$42,145 for workers' compensation with our previous company. Our 19-20 year's premiums were \$52,151 for the Property/Casualty/Liability Package and \$32,732 for the Workers Compensation Package to the Prairie State Insurance Cooperative. We had to pay for an additional flood policy of \$23,940 to be accepted into the program. In 20-21, we paid \$38,924 for the Property/Casualty/Liability Package and \$34,504 for the

Workers Compensation Package, with the additional flood policy on top of that. In 21-22, the flood policy requirement was dropped once we were out of the flood plain and we paid \$44,516 for the Property/Casualty/Liability Package and \$33,365 for the Workers Compensation Package. We had an overall 10% increase for 22-23 which is in line with market increases paying \$52,262.76 for Property/Casualty/Liability and \$33,245.64 for Workers Compensation. In 23-24 we paid \$56,187.66 for the Property/Casualty/Liability Package and \$32,336.04 for the Workers Compensation Package. The total cost for 23-24 represented an overall 4% increase, a 19% increase 24-25 years paying \$61,005.44 for the Property/Casualty/Liability Package and \$44,142.56 for the Workers Compensation Package. This is a 35% increase 25-26.  
Type: Action  
Recommended: Approve as presented.

- 7.09 Approve the 2024-25 final public school calendar.  
Type: Action  
Recommended: Approve the amended calendar as presented. We utilized 1 emergency day and 1 e-learning day.
- 7.10 Approve the designation of interest earned as interest income.  
Type: Action  
Recommended: Approve as presented.
- 7.11 Approve the 2025-2026 handbook.  
Type: Action  
Recommended: Approve the changes as presented.

## **VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

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8.01 Roll Call Members: Jim Barnes, Cherise Byone, Christy Carpenter, Lawrence Cowie, Brad Miller, Julie Morey, and Vickie Thomas.

Next meeting:  
Thursday June 26, 2025  
Regular Meeting 7:00 pm