

AGENDA
BOARD OF EDUCATION
ESWOOD ELEMENTARY DISTRICT 269

FEBRUARY 23rd, 2026

Eswood School Conference Room
304 N. Main Street

REGULAR MEETING

A. 6:00 P.M. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

B. ROLL CALL

ACTION ITEM:

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – [January 26th, 2026- MINUTES](#)

ACTION: Motion to approve the Minutes as submitted.

D. AUDIENCE COMMENTS:

E. SPECIAL REPORTS/UPDATES:

FOIA Requests: Michael Henry: Asking for:

1) School Board Background Checks

Response: Section 10-21.9 of the School Code ([105 ILCS 5/10-21.9](#)) requires school employees to undergo background checks, but this section does not apply to school board members.

2) District Bonds

Response: NO Bonds

3) District Attorney

Response: Whitt Law-Stuart Whitt

**1. Financial Reports- [JANUARY 2026 TREASURE'S](#); [JANUARY 2026 REVENUE REPORT](#),
[JANUARY 2026 EXPENDITURE REPORT](#), [BMO Statement December 2025](#) [DECEMBER 2025 BANK STATEMENT](#)**

ACTION: Motion to approve the Financial Reports as submitted for JANUARY 2026.

2. [BILLS PAYABLE](#)

ACTION: Motion to approve **Bills Payable as presented.**

3. **SY27 DISTRICT CALENDAR:** Administration is recommending the approval of the 2026-2027 District Calendar, keeping the Spring P/T conferences and PLCs. [PLC & P/T Conf Slides](#) [SY27 Calendar](#)

ACTION: Motion to approve the district calendar as presented.

4. **HEAD COOK:** Administration is recommending the promotion of Michele Swanson from assistant cook to head cook, starting with the 2026-2027 school year with a beginning salary of \$20,000.

ACTION: Motion to approve the promotion of Michele Swanson as head cook as presented.

5. **BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD RENEWAL:** Yearly BCBS renewal. There are plan changes of a monthly overall increase of 22.10% (\$1250/month more). Medical increases are trending 18-24%. Administration is recommending the renewal of the Blue Cross Blue Shield policy as shown in the renewal documents that will renew on March 1st, 2026, keeping the same coverage as last year.

ACTION: Motion to approve the Blue Cross Blue Shield renewal as presented.

F. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION THAT MAY COME UP FOR ACTION NEXT MONTH:

1. **New BUS LEASING options.** [Midwest Quote](#), Waiting on **Nelson Bus** (Whitewater, WI) Stilman and Byron use them. Great customer service. Quotes will be sent early March. I would like to vote on this at the March Board meeting.
Current: Midwest: 3 year lease: \$26,880/per bus w/ 12,000 miles/year
NEW Midwest: 3 year lease: 2025 Bus: 25,264/per bus w/12,000 miles/year
5 year lease: 2025 Bus: \$22,832/per bus w/12,000 miles/year
2. [SUMMER 2026 BUILDING WORK Options:](#)
3. **Posting an Assistant cook position, Middle School Math**

Other Overall Other Discussion Items:

1. **SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:** Girl's Bball Tournament this week at ACS Wednesday @ ____ Thursday: 5:30pm for Championship, Read Across America Week for Dr Suess Bday March 2-6th, Speech Meets: Tuesdays- March 10th & 17th, 8th Grade Annual KISH Career Day, March 16th.

G. CLOSED SESSION

1. To consider and discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees.

H. ACTION ITEMS FROM CLOSED SESSION

I. ADJOURNMENT