

**Minooka Community Consolidated School District 201**  
Board of Education Meeting Minutes

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Regular Meeting

Monday, March 16, 2026

Minooka School District Office  
Boardroom

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Stephen Blount  
Emily Conquest  
Thomas McGowan  
Jennifer Monson  
Adam Shainberg  
Katherine Tonelli

**ABSENT:**

Ed Cronin

**1. Call to Order Regular Meeting**

**1.01 Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Emily Conquest. Roll call was answered as indicated. Others present were: Rachel Kinder, Tiffany Staab, Sarah Massey, Mary Robinson, Adrienne McKerrow, Nick Jakusz, Erika Martinez, Monica Totaro, Teri Leuer, Stacey Tucker, Mike Beguin, Jeff Minott, Rodney Hiser, April Harr, Chris Boblak, Regina & Michael Fuller, Michele Flanagan, Jake Hukanson, Jackie Holte, Jon Ryan, Sarah & Joshua Stone, Shannon & Jeff Luif, Tracy Ivan, Catherine & Glen Ackerman, Diana Valenzuela and Lori Shanholtzer.

**1.02 Pledge of Allegiance**

**1.03 Approval of Agenda**

Moved by Tonelli, seconded by Monson to approve the agenda as presented.

Aye: Tonelli, Monson, Blount, McGowan, Shainberg, Conquest

Motion Carried

**2. Public Comments and Recognitions**

**2.01 Students of the Month**

Julia Lowry presented the students of the month from Minooka Intermediate School.

Monica Totaro presented the students of the month from Minooka Junior High School.

**2.02 Girls's Basketball Team**

Coach Mike Beguin presented the Girl's Basketball Team to the Board and they were recognized.

**2.03 Boy's Wrestling**

Coach Jon Ryan presented the Boy's Wrestling state qualifiers to the Board and they were recognized.

**2.04 Public Comments**

None

### **3. Consent Agenda**

Moved by Shainberg, seconded by McGowan to approve the list of bills, Treasurer's report, minutes from the February 23, 2026 regular board meeting and committee of the whole board meeting, destruction of the closed session recordings from March 2024, personnel report, FOIA requests, E-Rate Projects: K-4 Firewalls, Battery Backup, Firewall Log Monitoring Service and MJHS Chiller Replacement Project Change Order #1 Cabling as presented.

Aye: Shainberg, McGowan, Blount, Monson, Tonelli, Conquest  
Motion Approved.

### **4. Action Items**

#### **4.01 2026-2027 Academic Calendar (revised)**

Moved by Tonelli, seconded by McGowan to approve the 2026-2027 Academic Calendar (revised) as presented.

Aye: Tonelli, McGowan, Blount, Monson, Shainberg, Conquest  
Motion Approved.

#### **4.02 Jones Elementary Gym and Cafeteria Sound System Upgrade**

Moved by Shainberg, seconded by Blount to approve the Jones Elementary Gym and Cafeteria Sound System Upgrade as presented.

Aye: Shainberg, Blount, McGowan, Monson, Tonelli, Conquest  
Motion Approved.

### **5. Discussion and Information Items**

#### **5.01 Capital Planning Update**

Director of Finance and Operations Mary Robinson and Director of Building and Grounds Director Jeff Minott shared their presentation on Capital Planning. (presentation can be located in the electronic board packet)

#### **5.02 Elementary After School Care Programming**

Superintendent Rachel Kinder shared Before/After Care information for the YMCA and Right at Schools Programs. The decision will be made on which program the district will use and will be communicated out to parents/staff.

#### **5.03 Strategic Planning**

Superintendent Rachel Kinder gave an update on the Strategic Planning process. (all information can be located in the electronic board packet)

### **6. COMMUNICATION**

#### **6.01 Administrative Reports**

Rachel Kinder, Superintendent reported:

- Thanked the parents for their partnership with all of the school events happening in the district.
- Thanked all building leaders, maintenance and support staff for all that they do.

Aaron Souza, Director of Informational Technology reported:

- Thanked the maintenance and technology staff with all they did to help with the power outages.
- Updated the Board with the Task Force AI training that the district had.

**6.02 Board Topics**

none

**7. Executive Session**

none

**8. Action as a result of Executive Session**

none

**9. Adjournment**

Moved by Blount, seconded by Tonelli to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:34 p.m.

Aye: Blount, Tonelli, McGowan, Monson, Shainberg, Conquest

Motion Carried at 7:34 p.m.



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Emily Conquest, President



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Stephen Blount, Secretary