

# **MARSEILLES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #150**

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## **BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING AGENDA**

**201 Chicago Street**

**Marseilles, Illinois**

**Library**

**May 21, 2026, 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.**

### **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 Maintenance: Brent DeFore**

**Type: Informational**

**3.02 Marseilles Education Association**

**Type: Informational**

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

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**4.01 Principal: Lindsey Johnson**  
**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 23, 2026**

**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 May 6, 2026, from Sunlight Access and responded to on May 7, 2026.**

#### **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 transfers/hires pending appropriate licensure and passing of all background checks (if new): Evalyn Mateski (music teacher), Jessica Crosby and Emmalee Crosby (shared 5th and 6th grade cheer), Lexi Baudino (volleyball coach), Braelin Rice (2nd grade to 3rd grade), Bejan Roumi (1st grade to 2nd grade) and Brittane Callahan (Kindergarten to Pre-Kindergarten).  
Recommended: Approve as presented.**
- 7.03 Approve the following resignations: Nani Torres (part-time custodian), Anna Schiefelbein (Pre-K paraprofessional and volleyball coach).  
Type: Action  
Recommended: Approve as presented.**
- 7.04 Approve the intent to retire at the end of the 2026-2027 school year, from Sarah Manz (special education teacher).  
Type: Action  
Recommended: Approve as presented.**
- 7.05 Approve the payment of \$82,409.99 for the Property/Casualty/Liability Package and \$62,519.87 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. There was a 35% increase for 25-26 with \$82,434.31 for the Property/Casualty/Liability Package and \$59,682.31 for the Workers Compensation Package. The 26-27 school year brings a 2% increase overall.  
Type: Action  
Recommended: Approve as presented.**
- 7.06 Approve the second reading of PRESS issue 121.  
Type: Action  
Recommended: Approve as presented.**

**7.07 Approve the 2026-27 Board of Education meeting/event calendar.**

**Type: Action**

**Recommended: Approve the calendar 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 25, 2026**

**Regular Meeting 7:00 pm**