

MINUTES: Meeting of the Monona Grove School District Board of Education, held Tuesday, June 9, 2026 at Monona Grove District Office, Room 306

Open Session to begin no earlier than 6:00pm

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Janice Stone, Philip Haven, Elizabeth Cook, Rachelle Miller, Susan Manning, Stephanie Lehmann, Eric Hartz

ADMINISTRATORS & STAFF PRESENT: Tanya Fredrich, Katy Byrnes Kaiser, Kristin Sobocinski, Maggie Sanna, Bill Miller

A. Call to Order – Rachelle Miller called the meeting to order at 6:03pm.

B. Declaration of Public Notice – acknowledged

C. Order of Business

D. Consent Agenda

1. Meeting Minutes

Staff Hirings

Fei Smith - 1.0 FTE Special Education Teacher at Monona Grove High School, replacing Tina Wagner. For the 26-27 school year.

Daunte Unke McConley - 0.36 FTE PE Teacher at Winnequah, replacing Kaye Ryan (transfer). For the 26-27 school year.

Kevin Dorsey-Notter - 1.0 FTE French Teacher at GDS, replacing Ibrahima Doumbya. For the 26-27 school year.

Claudia Bakken - 1.0 FTE Special Ed Teacher at GDS, replacing Caden Nelson. For the 26-27 school year.

Haley Corcoran - 1.0 FTE Special Ed Teacher at GDS, replacing Caden Nelson. For the 26-27 school year.

Alex Dynes - 1.0 FTE PE Teacher at MGHS, replacing Zoe Kurth. For the 26-27 school year.

Christina Fluegel - 1.0 FTE 2nd grade Teacher at WINN, replacing Hannah Miles. For the 26-27 school year.

Ruby Sisler - 1.0 FTE Occupational Therapist, replacing Heidi Gulachek/Nicole Beam (transfer). For the 26-27 school year.

2. Staff Resignations/Retirements

Resignations

Elise Rucker - 1.0 FTE School Counselor at Winnequah, effective 6/12/26. Resignation received 5/14/26.

Joel Jarosky - 1.0 FTE Special Ed Teacher at MGHS, effective 6/12/26. Resignation received 5/14/26.

Hannah Miles - 1.0 FTE 2nd grade Teacher at Winnequah, effective 6/12/26. Resignation received 5/22/26.

Shelby Steel - 1.0 FTE Special Education Coordinator, effective 6/30/26. Resignation received 6/2/26.

Helen Thao - 1.0 FTE ESL Teacher, effective 6/12/26. Resignation received 6/3/26.

3. Contract Amendments

Kristin Tuschen - 4K Teacher at CGS for 26-27 school year, moving from 1.0 FTE to 0.5 FTE starting 6/12/26 due to enrollment numbers.

4. Vouchers Payable

5. School Safety Drills

6. WIAA Award of Excellence Application

E. Celebration of Excellence

The Board recognized students who qualified for state level competition, performance or tournament.

F. Student Board Report

Elsa Beuthling, the 2025-2026 Student Representative to the Board shared her final report with the Board.

G. Public Appearances

- Andrew Seidel
- Chelsey Pepper - Not in attendance Public Comment was read on Ms. Pepper's behalf.
- Nicole Schoenbeck Claas
- Rachel Whaley- Not in attendance Public Comment was read on Ms. Whaley's behalf.
- Rob Podell

H. Action Items

1. 2026-2027 Support Staff Handbook

Motion: Rachelle Miller moved approval of the 2026-2027 Support Staff Handbook, as presented. Janice Stone seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

2. 2026-2027 Building and Grounds Collective Bargaining Agreement

Motion: Philip Haven moved approval of the 2026-2027 Building and Grounds Collective Bargaining Agreement, as presented. Janice Stone seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

3. 2026-2027 Buildings and Grounds Compensation Plan

Motion: Philip Haven moved approval of the 2026-2027 Buildings and Grounds Compensation, as presented. Janice Stone seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

4. 2026-2027 Paraprofessional/Admin Assistants Collective Bargaining Agreement

Motion: Philip Haven moved approval of the 2026-2027 Paraprofessional/Admin Assistants Collective Bargaining Agreement, as presented. Janice Stone seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

5. 2026-2027 Paraprofessional/ Admin Assistants Compensation Plan

Motion: Rachelle Miller moved approval of the 2026-2027 Paraprofessional/ Admin Assistants Compensation Plan, as presented. Janice Stone seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Discussion and Possible Action regarding Property Utilization

Motion: Eric Hartz moved to authorize the administration to solicit a non-binding letter of intent from the City of Monona regarding the potential sale of the Maywood School building located at 902 Nichols Road, to be received by August 31, 2026, with formal contract negotiations to commence only after Board receipt and review of said letter; no further exploration any other real estate assets owned by the Monona Grove School District at this time. Philip Haven seconded.

The Board continued to discuss the item. Susan Manning expressed concern with the communication and order of the motion.

Roll call vote: Miller - aye, Haven - aye, Hartz - aye, Stone - aye, Manning - nay, Lehmann - aye, Cook - aye. The motion carried 6-1.

7. 2026-27 Property, Casualty & Work Comp Insurance Renewal

Motion: Rachelle Miller moved approval of the 2026-27 Property, Casualty & Work Comp Insurance Renewal, as presented. Stephanie Lehmann seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

8. 2026-2027 School Nutrition Fees

9. **Motion:** Philip Haven moved approval of the 2026-2027 School Nutrition Fees, as presented. Rachelle Miller seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

10. Taylor Prairie Roof Project

Motion: Rachelle Miller moved to approve repairs of Taylor Prairie's roof, as presented. Philip Haven seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

11. Designation of Wisconsin Association of School Board (WASB) Delegate and Alternate

Motion: Philip Haven moved approval of Janice Stone serving as the Wisconsin Association of School Board (WASB) Delegate and Rachelle Miller serving as alternate for 2026-2027. Stephanie Lehmann seconded. The Board discussed the agenda item further. Elizabeth Cook suggested the Policy and Legislative Committee discuss adding this to the charge of that committee. The motion carried unanimously.

12. Wireless Communication Device Policy

Motion: Eric Hartz moved approval of the Wireless Communication Device Policy, as presented. Philip Haven seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

13. Revised 2026-2027 Schedule of Regular Board Meetings, Dates and Locations

Motion: Philip Haven moved approval of the Revised 2026-2027 Schedule of Regular Board Meetings, Dates and Locations, as presented. Janice Stone seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

I. Informational Items

1. Finance & Operations Committee - Stephanie shared a brief report.
2. Personnel Committee - Janice Stone shared a brief report.
3. Policy & Legislative Engagement Committee - Janice Stone shared a brief report.
4. Teaching, Learning & Equity Committee - Rachelle Miller shared a brief report.
5. Monona Grove Education Foundation - Susan Manning shared a brief report.

J. Superintendent Report

Dr. Fredrich shared a report with the Board.

K. Future Meeting Dates

Teaching, Learning & Equity Committee - June 16, 2026 at 4:00pm - Virtually, via Zoom

Personnel Committee - August 4, 2026 at 4:00pm, virtually via Zoom

Policy and Legislative Engagement Committee - August 26, 2026 at 8:15am - Monona Grove District Office

Board of Education - July 14, 2026 at 6:00pm - Cottage Grove Village Hall

L. Convene into Closed Session Pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(c) and 19.85(1)(f) for consideration of the following:

1. Superintendent Evaluation
2. Review of Professional Conduct and Performance Data Regarding an Employee
3. 2026-2027 Non-represented Support Staff Compensation

4. 2026-2027 Administrator Compensation

Motion: Philip Haven moved convene into Closed Session Pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(c) and 19.85(1)(f) at 8:34pm for consideration of the following:

1. Superintendent Evaluation
2. Review of Professional Conduct and Performance Data Regarding an Employee
3. 2026-2027 Non-represented Support Staff Compensation
4. 2026-2027 Administrator Compensation

Rachelle Miller seconded. Roll call vote: Miller - aye, Haven - aye, Hartz - aye, Stone - aye, Manning - aye, Lehmann - aye, Cook - aye. The motion carried 7-0.

M. Reconvene into Open Session

Motion: Philip Haven moved reconvene into Open Session at 9:21pm. Stephanie Lehmann seconded. Roll call vote: Miller - aye, Haven - aye, Hartz - aye, Stone - aye, Manning - aye, Lehmann - aye, Cook - aye. The motion carried 7-0.

N. Action Regarding Closed Session as Appropriate

1. 2026-2027 Non-represented Support Staff Compensation

Motion: Philip Haven moved approval of the 2026-2027 Non-represented Support Staff Compensation, as presented. Rachelle Miller seconded. Roll call vote: Miller - aye, Haven - aye, Hartz - aye, Stone - aye, Manning - aye, Lehmann - aye, Cook - aye. The motion carried 7-0.

2. 2026-2027 Administrator Compensation

Motion: Philip Haven moved approval of the 2026-2027 Administrator Compensation, as presented. Rachelle Miller seconded. Roll call vote: Miller - aye, Haven - aye, Hartz - aye, Stone - aye, Manning - aye, Lehmann - aye, Cook - aye. The motion carried 7-0.

O. Adjournment

Motion: Rachelle Miller moved to adjourn at 9:22pm. Janice Stone seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Approved: Monona Grove Board of Education
July 14, 2026