

Minooka Community Consolidated School District 201
Board of Education Meeting Minutes

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Regular Meeting
Minooka School District Office
Boardroom

Monday, July 20, 2026

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

ABSENT:

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, Mary Robinson, Sarah Massey, Adrienne McKerrow, Erika Martinez, Aaron Souza, Josh Curran, Alan Osinski, Brian Dowdle and Lori Shanholtzer.

1.02 Pledge of Allegiance

1.03 Approval of Agenda

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

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

Motion Carried

2. Public Comments and Recognitions

2.01 Public Comments

None

3. Consent Agenda

Moved by Tonelli, seconded by McGowan to approve the list of bills, Treasurer's report, minutes from the June 15, 2026 Regular Board Meeting and July 7, 2026 Special Board Meeting, destruction of the closed session recordings from July 2024, personnel report, FOIA requests, Semi-Annual Closed Session Minutes Review, Approval of Minooka Elementary School PTO Playground Playset Donation, as presented.

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

Motion Approved.

4. Action Items

4.01 Approval of Publication of the 2026-2027 Budget in Tentative Form and Setting the Public Hearing for September 21, 2026

Moved by Shainberg, seconded by Blount to approve the Publication of the 2026-2027 Budget in Tentative Form and Setting Public Hearing for September 21, 2026 as presented.

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

Motion Approved.

4.02 Approval of Construction Manager Contract

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

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

Motion Approved.

4.03 Approval of Superintendent Contract

Moved by Monson, seconded by McGowan to approve the Superintendent Contract as presented.

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

Motion Approved.

5. Discussion and Information Items

5.01 IASB PRESS Release Issue 122

Rachel Kinder highlighted items in the latest IASB PRESS Release Issue 122 and it will be brought to the August board meeting for approval.

6. COMMUNICATION

6.01 Administrative Reports

Rachel Kinder, Superintendent reported:

- Shared information regarding preparing for the 2026-2027 school year.
- Stated that 391 families still have to complete student registration.
- Building Leadership meetings will be at the end of July to start planning for the school year.
- Thanked all staff for all they are doing to prepare for the 2026-2027 school year.

Aaron Souza, Assistant Superintendent reported:

- Thanked the board for approving the purchase of Chromebooks and laptops.
- Charging carts to K-2 laptops will be at the end of August.
- Upgrading video doorbells in which the video feed will come on the phone versus cameras.

6.02 Board Topics

None

7. Executive Session

Moved by Blount, seconded by Tonelli to go into closed session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, and/or dismissal of employees, negotiations, the purchase of real property, confidential student matters, and/or litigation.

Motion Carried at 6:27 p.m.

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

Motion Carried

Moved by Tonelli, seconded by McGowan to return to open session at 7:34 p.m.

Motion Carried at 7:34 p.m.

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

Motion Carried

8. Action as a result of Executive Session

none

9. Adjournment

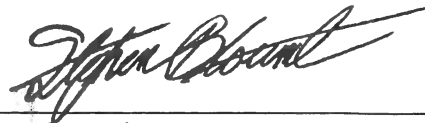
Moved by Blount, seconded by Tonelli to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:35 p.m.

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

Motion Carried at 7:35 p.m.



Emily Conquest, President



Stephen Blount, Secretary