

MARSEILLES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #150

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING AGENDA

201 Chicago Street

Marseilles, Illinois

Library

September 24, 2026, at 7:00 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

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

3.01 Maintenance: Brent DeFore

Type: Informational

3.02 Marseilles Education Association

Type: Informational

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

4.01 Principal: Lindsey Johnson

Type: Informational

4.02 Superintendent: Brenda Donahue

Type: Informational

V. FINANCIAL REPORT

5.01 Treasurer's Report: Craig Hepner

Type: Informational

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

Type: Action

Recommended: Approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

6.01 Minutes of the Meeting(s): August 20, 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 from Marina Melachrinis on 9.14.2026 and responded to on 9.16.2026. Received from Jennifer Mitchell on 9.15.26 and responded to on 9.16.2026. Received from Allison Hester on 8.28.26 and responded to on 8.28.26. Received from CT Mills on 9.3.26 and responded to on 9.3.26. Received from Justin Wenig on 9.12.26 and responded to on 9.14.26. Received from Dakota Redfield on 9.1.26 and responded to on 9.2.2026. Received from Catarina Mascarenhas on 8.28.26 and responded to on 8.28.26.

VII. ACTION ITEMS

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): Nicole Wickersham (yearbook club sponsor)**
Recommended: Approve as presented.
- 7.03 Approve the requests for FMLA from Kaelyn Rodriguez and Tracy Bianchi.**
Type: Action
Recommended: Approve as recommended.
- 7.04 Approve the 26-27 calendar amendment.**
Type: Action
Recommended: Legislation did not pass requiring schools to be off for Election Day. Approve as recommended.
- 7.05 Approve the second reading of press policy issue 122.**
Type: Action
Recommended: Approve as presented.
- 7.06 Approve the renewal of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Illinois medical and dental rates.**
Type: Action
Recommended: Approve as presented. There will be a 2% decrease in this year's premiums, reflecting a savings of \$13,753. There was a 14.5% increase last year and a 6.5% increase the year before.
- 7.07 Approve the Fiscal Year 2027 budget.**
Type: Action
Recommended: Approve as recommended. It has been on display for at least the required 30 days.
- 7.08 Accept the resignation of board member Brad Miller.**
Type: Informational / Discussion / Review
Recommended: Approve as recommended. We are incredibly thankful for Brad's nine years of service to our school community.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

- 8.01 Roll Call Members: Jim Barnes, Cherise Byone, Christy Carpenter, Lawrence Cowie, Julie Morey, and Vickie Thomas.**

**Next meeting:
Thursday, October 22, 2026
Regular Meeting 7:00 pm**