

Official Minutes

Board of Directors Regular Meeting, August 10, 2026

These are minutes of the Morrow County School District Board of Directors meeting on Monday, August 10, 2026 6:00pm held at the STAR Facility/Zoom

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Brian Kollman, Becky Kindle, Mary Killion, Rosa Delgado, Erin Anderson, Ashley Lindsay

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Vacancy Position 3

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Matt Combe, Barbara Phillips, Marie Shimer, Erin Stocker, Marissa Turner, Gabe Hansen, Jill Ledbetter, Karen Frenette, Rose Palmer, Maria Ortega, Ryan Gerry, Karen Shelton, Steve Sheller, Sarah Christy, Rachel Herron, John Christy, Richard Harshberger, Brandi Sweeney, Beth Dickenson.

OTHERS PRESENT: Dave Fowler, Curtis Earl, KC Anderson, Natalie Piper, Catherine Lindsay, Paige Miller, Mikalie Duncan, Kayelee Davis, Avia Botefuhr.

Call to Order:

Board Vice Chair, Brian Kollman called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a quorum was established.

1. Board Chair: Ashley Lindsay nominated Becky Kindle to serve as Board Chair for the 2026/27 school year. Nomination was seconded by Mary Killion.

AYES: Brian Kollman, Becky Kindle, Mary Killion, Ashley Lindsay, Rosa Delgado, Erin Anderson.

2. Board Vice Chair: Becky Kindle nominated Brian Kollman to serve as Board Vice Chair for the 2026/27 school year. Nomination was seconded by Ashley Lindsay.

Ayes: Brian Kollman, Becky Kindle, Mary Killion, Ashley Lindsay, Rosa Delgado, Erin Anderson.

Public Comment: None

Delegations:

MCEA: None

OSEA: None

Presentations:

1. Community Counseling Partnership Recognition – Mr. Combe presented CCS with a Certificate of Recognition and Kimberly Lindsay with CCS gave a presentation on the history of the partnership with MCSD and also the new STAR Facility that will be opening this Fall.

Travel Request – The Heppner FFA Chapter requested permission to travel to the annual FFA Convention in Indianapolis.

Motion: Erin Anderson made a motion to approve the HHS travel request. Ashley Lindsay seconded the motion.

AYES: Brian Kollman, Becky Kindle, Mary Killion, Ashley Lindsay, Rosa Delgado, Erin Anderson.

Motion passed

Consent Agenda

1. Approve Minutes – June 8, 2026

2. Approve Financial Report

3. Employment Action

4. 1st Reading of Rescinded, New or Revised Policies – JFCIA

5. Adoption of Rescinded, New or Revised Policies – AE, BBAA-Rescind/Readopt, BBE- Rescind/Readopt, BCB, BCE, BDC-Rescind/Readopt, BDD- Rescind/Readopt, BDDC-Rescind/Readopt, BDDG-Rescind/Readopt, CBA, CBG, DBEA, EBB, EBBA, GBA, GCBDD/GDBDD, GBN/JBA, JBA/GBN, IIA

6. 2026-27 Substitute Teacher Pay Rate - \$265.80

7. Physical Restraint and Seclusion 2025/26 Annual Report

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Superintendent Report – Mr. Combe

- **Instructional Hours - Executive Order Update:** The OPB article released Friday and was included in this morning's OSBA-Or-Ed-News Opt. highlights growing questions about the role and authority of the Oregon State Board of Education as the state implements new requirements for the latest Executive Order regarding instructional time and continued conversations related to educational accountability. Local school leaders are seeking clearer guidance, stronger collaboration, and greater input with consideration of the financial and operational impacts of state mandates and policy implications regarding Executive Order's. The article underscores the importance of a shared statewide vision and coordinated efforts among state leaders with input from local school districts to implement clear, achievable policies designed to provide helpful support to school districts.
- **Financial Report:** Gabe has included the financial report in your board packets. As we begin the new school year, we continue to closely monitor our expenditures along with attendance and enrollment numbers.
- **Summer Maintenance & Facilities Projects Update:** Please refer to the maintenance report highlights for a summary of our completed and ongoing summer projects. Additionally, Scott Rogers from the Wenaha Group, our project management partner has submitted his Board Report.
- **Administrative Retreat & Planning Sessions:** This year's administrative retreat was held locally and in-house at MEC again this year, beginning with our annual administrative, secretarial, and district office staff meeting last Wednesday morning, followed by our 2026–27 administrative planning, which included planning/preparation sessions and a comprehensive review of our current board goals which were reviewed during our work session earlier this evening.
- **Fall Sports & Extracurricular Activities:** Fall athletics and extra-curricular activities will be kicking off soon. We are looking forward to the Fall sports season and the upcoming camps, practices, games, and tournaments. While keeping in mind the new OHA air quality and heat guidance recommendations/guidelines that were recently updated.
- **Summer Academic Programs – Successes:** Our June summer school and credit recovery program, along with the August "Jump Start" sessions, have been a success again this summer. A BIG Thank You goes out to the resolute MCSD staff who helped make these valuable opportunities and programs possible for our students.
- **District In-Service – Board Welcome Address:** We are still looking for a board representative to deliver the welcome address at our districtwide in-service on Tuesday, August 25, 2026, which will be held at The Sage Event Center in Boardman again this year.
- **Closing Thanks:** Finally, I want to express my sincere gratitude to each of you for your continued dedication and voluntary service to the students of Morrow County SD. Your leadership and commitment are appreciated as we kick off the 2026–27 school year!

Executive Director of Human Resources Report: Mrs. Stocker

- There are currently 2 teaching positions still open for the 2026/27 school year.
- New Teacher Inservice was held prior to Jumpstart taking place.
- The Admin/Secretaries meeting was held on August 5th. CARE and Wrap around luncheon is at the end of the week, and District Inservice will be held on August 25th.

Director of Educational Services Report: Mrs. Shimer gave an overview of the Oregon English Learners Report, as well as the MCSD Performance Growth Targets which are State mandated.

Sped Coordinator Report – Marissa Turner

- STAR Facility: Teaching position is still open
- Physical Restraint and Seclusion Training: We now have an additional trainer to help out in this area.

New Business

1. Board Position #3 Vacancy –

Motion: Mary Killion motioned to declare Board Position #3 vacant. Ashley Lindsay seconded the motion.

AYES: Brian Kollman, Becky Kindle, Mary Killion, Ashley Lindsay, Rosa Delgado, Erin Anderson.

Motion passed

2. Unanticipated Revenue – Resolution #2026-27-02 -

Motion: Ashley Lindsay made a motion to approve Resolution #2026-27-02. Erin Anderson seconded the motion.

AYES: Brian Kollman, Becky Kindle, Mary Killion, Ashley Lindsay, Rosa Delgado, Erin Anderson.

Motion passed

3. Construction Manager/General Contractor (CM/GC) Recommendation – Heppner K-12

Motion: Ashley Lindsay made a motion to accept the Evaluation Committee’s Recommendation of Award to Fowler General Construction for the Heppner K-12 project and to authorize Superintendent Matt Combe to proceed with contract negotiations. Mary Killion seconded the motion.

AYES: Brian Kollman, Becky Kindle, Mary Killion, Ashley Lindsay, Rosa Delgado, Erin Anderson.

Motion passed

4. OSAA Cooperative Sponsorship – Heppner/Condon Boys and Girls Cross Country

Motion: Erin Anderson made a motion to approve the Cooperative sponsorship. Ashley Lindsay seconded the motion.

AYES: Brian Kollman, Becky Kindle, Mary Killion, Ashley Lindsay, Rosa Delgado, Erin Anderson.

Motion passed

5. Adoption of 2026-27 Board Goals:

Motion: Mary Killion made a motion to adopt the 2026-27 Board Goals. Rosa Delgado seconded the motion.

AYES: Brian Kollman, Becky Kindle, Mary Killion, Ashley Lindsay, Rosa Delgado, Erin Anderson.

Motion passed

Vice Chair Kollman read the announcements:

- 2026-27 Staff In-Service – August 24-28, 2026
- Students Begin – August 31, 2026
- No School – Monday, September 7, 2026, Labor Day Holiday
- Next Board Meeting – Monday, September 14, 2026

Vice Chair Kollman adjourned the meeting at 7:06p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Barbara Phillips, Board Secretary

Date

Becky Kindle, Board Chair

Date