

Moline, Illinois

## **Notice of Meeting**

Members of the Board of Education

Ladies and Gentlemen:

You are hereby notified that there will be a Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Board of Education, School District No. 40, at 6:00 PM, on Monday, April 13, 2026, at the Moline Education Center, 1900 52nd Avenue, Moline, Illinois 61265.

Dr. Brian Prybil  
Secretary, Board of Education

### **AGENDA AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Board of Education  
Moline, Illinois  
Monday, April 13, 2026

Join from PC, Mac, iPad, or Android:

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Passcode:944096

#### **1. Opening of Meeting - Roll Call**

A. Approval of any Board of Education Member Participating Remotely

#### **2. Approval of Minutes**

A. Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of March 9, 2026

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**MOLINE-COAL VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT 40**  
**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING**  
**Monday, March 9, 2026**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Committee of the Whole Meeting was called to order by Board Vice-President Audrey Adamson at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, March 9, 2026 at Bicentennial Elementary School, 1004 First Street, Coal Valley, IL 61240.

**The following Committee members were present:**

Audrey Adamson, Board Member

Chet DeSmet, Board Member

Todd DeTaeye, Assistant Superintendent for Administration and Human Resources

Ramona Dixon, Board Member

Jason Farrell, Board Member

Vince Gallo, Chief Financial Officer

Abigail Greenlee, Student Advisory Board Member

Lindsey Hines, Board member

Keith Karstens, Director of Facilities

Geoff Manis, Board Member

Dr. Brian Prybil, Deputy Superintendent

Dr. Rachel Savage, Superintendent of Schools

Erin Terstriep, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services and Special Education

Lenny Young, Educational Technology User Support Specialist

**The following committee member was absent:** Varun Mekala, Craig Reid, Laura Sivertsen

**APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES**

A motion was made by Geoff Manis, seconded by Chet DeSmet, unanimously carried, that the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting of February 9, 2026 be approved as presented and placed on file.

**PUBLIC COMMENT AND PARTICIPATION**

Public comment was deferred to the regular board of education meeting.

**PRESENTATION - AMENDED 2025-2026 SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET - MR. GALLO**

Vince Gallo, Chief Financial Officer, presented the amended budget for the 2025-2026 fiscal year. The school district is amending its budget to reflect the transfer of restricted bonds from the education fund to the operating fund for the high school cafeteria project. The budget includes updated salaries and benefits, construction upgrades, and one-time expenses, including the completion of smart panels, the new ELA curriculum purchase, and the drivers education vehicle purchases. The district's projected ending fund balance is expected to be right under \$70 million, which is not concerning because the district has had surpluses in previous years and is spending down its funds appropriately.

**SPECIAL RECOGNITION TO KELLY BEEM AND LUANN LINDAUER FOR BEING NAMED AS FINALISTS FOR THE 2026 GOLDEN APPLE AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING**

Chet DeSmet, Board Member, introduced the finalists for the prestigious Golden Apple Award of Excellence in Teaching, with two teachers from the Moline-Coal Valley School District being among the finalists. Among the finalists are Kelly Beem and Luann Lindauer. The winner will receive a \$5,000 cash award and join the Golden Apple Academy of Educators. Thank you Kelly and Luann for setting an example and reminding us all what it means to show up for your students at school.

Audrey Adamson, stated that she ran into a couple of students at the local store, they were very excited to announce that two teachers at their school had won awards.

**STUDENT SPOTLIGHT - FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY**

Grant Putnam, Principal of Franklin Elementary, presented The Franklin Behavior Funnel as a system implemented by the school to improve student behavior and create a positive learning environment. The funnel includes four arms: positive office referrals, Dojo Madness, student broadcasts, and data analysis. The system has been successful in reducing student referrals and increasing positive behavior, with a 60% reduction in referrals over the last few years from 180 to 31.

Chet DeSmet, Board Member, after seeing the buy-in for the students and faculty it's good seeing all the great things happening at Franklin.

Geoff Manis, Board Member, stated it is great to see video content being pushed out into the community as it is important and making sure it catches the attention of the students.

Ramona Dixon, Board Member, as a past Franklin parent it means a lot to see that the experiences are carrying on still today and thinking about Franklin and their recent loss of staff member, Ms. Bradley, it's important that we pause for a moment of silence.

A motion was made by Lindsey Hines, seconded by Jason Farrell, unanimously carried, that the Committee of the Whole meeting be adjourned. Time: 6:19 p.m.

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Vice- President

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Secretary

### **3. Public Comment and Participation**

### **4. School Spotlight - Jefferson Early Childhood Center**

### **5. Adjournment**

#### **NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION PRACTICES**

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