

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, August 10, 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, August 10, 2026

Topic: Moline-Coal Valley CUSD Board Meeting (Remote)

Description: School Board meeting to be held on August 10, 2026.

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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 May 11, 2026

MOLINE-COAL VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT 40
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
Monday, May 11, 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, May 11, 2026 at the Wilson Middle School, 1301 48th Street, Moline, IL 61265.

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
Lindsey Hines, Board member
Keith Karstens, Director of Facilities
Geoff Manis, Board Member
Varun Mekala, Student Advisory Board Member
Dr. Brian Prybil, Deputy Superintendent
Craig Reid, Director of Technology
Dr. Rachel Savage, Superintendent of Schools
Laura Sivertsen, Board Member
Erin Terstriep, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services and Special Education

The following committee member(s) were absent: None

APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

A motion was made by Lindsey Hines, seconded by Chet DeSmet, unanimously carried, that the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting of April 13, 2026, be approved as presented and placed on file.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND PARTICIPATION

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

RECOGNITION OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO THE MOLINE-COAL VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT - Scott Ehlers, Teresa Landon and Chris Moore

Chet DeSmet, Board Member, expressed gratitude for the hard work and dedication of three outstanding administrators, Scott Ehlers, Teresa Landon, and Chris Moore, whose impact on Moline-Coal Valley Schools will be felt long after they walk out of their offices for the final time, acknowledging that success isn't accidental but a result of their efforts, including early morning, late nights, and consistent service. Mr. DeSmet noted that while retirement may involve fewer emails, a little more sleep, the administrators' legacy and service to the district remain incredibly valuable.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION - LOGAN ELEMENTARY HEALTH PROFESSIONAL, PAM JACKSON

Audrey Adamson, Board Member, and the community recognized Pam Jackson, Logan Elementary Health Professional for her courageous and compassionate response to a health emergency involving a stranger. Ms. Jackson demonstrated bravery, calmness under pressure, and the application of her training to save a life, highlighting that nursing is more than a profession but a willingness to act in crisis.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT - WILSON MIDDLE SCHOOL

Tom Ferguson, Wilson Middle School Principal, celebrates success and the school's achievements, highlighting a year of momentum driven by the "Capturing Kids Hearts" program. This initiative fostered positive communication and student-led expectations within classrooms, leading to significant improvements in student discussion quality. Mr. Ferguson stated that Wilson achieved a strong performance in the 5 Essentials survey, with a 17-point increase in quality of student discussion. This improvement reflects the positive impact of the "Capturing Kids Hearts" program on student engagement and classroom dynamics.

Next, Mr. Ferguson introduced Mrs. Erb and the Show Stoppers Show Choir. The schools' Show Stoppers show choir program showcased its talent by participating in a competition, earning third place and recognition for individual performers. This performance served as a highlight of the school's accomplishments and a testament to the students' hard work and dedication. After the introduction the Show Stoppers Show Choir performed for the board and community members.

United Way Quad Cities

Ragan Baker, Student Success Director, Erica Gutierrez, Wilson Site Coordinator, and Ciara Llave, Washington Site Coordinator, discussed the "United for Schools" initiative, a program focused on addressing the needs of students and families both within and beyond the school

building. The program aims to improve education, income, and health outcomes in the Quad Cities.

Audrey Adamson, Board Member, congratulated the Show Stoppers show choir on their performance.

Geoff Manis, Board Member, stated that Mr. Ferguson is an energy giver and hopes he continues to do what he is doing.

PRESENTATION OF 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR BUDGET - Mr. Gallo

Vince Gallo, Chief Financial Officer, provided an overview of the school district's budget cycle, outlining key dates for budget presentation, public hearings, and adoption, as well as amendments. Mr. Gallo detailed the various steps involved, from November's tax levy to October's annual financial report. Mr. Gallo discussed revenue assumptions, highlighting the improving local economy, increased property tax revenue, and continued state funding through evidence-based funding. Mr. Gallo also noted the impact of federal funding and the leveling off of CPPRT revenue.

A motion was made by Jason Farrell, seconded by Geoff Manis, unanimously carried, that the Committee of the Whole meeting be adjourned. Time: 6:48 p.m.

Vice- President

Secretary

3. Public Comment and Participation

4. Multilingual Program Goals for the 2026-2027 School Year - Dr. Savage and Mrs. Oswald

5. Model Schools Presentation Update for Franklin Elementary and Wilson Middle School - Mr. Putnam, Mr. Ferguson, Ms. Trost, and Mr. Beem

6. Adjournment

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