

**McLouth USD 342  
Board of Education  
Regular Meeting  
March 9, 2026**

- A. Call the Meeting to Order** – President Heather Coit called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.
- B. Roll Call**  
Board members present: Mr. Tony Barnes, Mrs. Heather Coit, Mr. James Copeland, Mrs. Tara Garrow, Mr. Joe Mahon and Mr. Terry Reiling  
Board members absent: Mr. Paul Haverkamp  
Also present: Mr. Jerome Johnson, Mrs. Lorie Patterson and Mrs. Melissa Miller
- C. Approval of the Agenda** – Mr. Johnson requested the addition of the resignation of Mr. J.D. Nelson as Secondary Principal under D.d. Mr. Mahon moved to approve the agenda with the addition. Mr. Barnes seconded. Motion carried 6-0.
- D. Consent Agenda** – Mr. Barnes moved to accept the consent agenda with the addition. Mr. Reiling seconded. The Consent Agenda consisted of the following items: a. Approval of Minutes from February 9, 2026 Regular Board Meeting; b. Approval of Check Registers; c. Accept Treasurer’s Report; and d. Accept the Resignations of Ms. Johnna Bradford, Freshman Class Sponsor, Mr. Jeff Smith, High School Science Teacher and Mr. J.D. Nelson, Secondary Principal. The motion carried 6-0.
- E. Comments from the President** – President Coit commented that the spring season is here and everything will be busy. She also commented that the music concert was very good.
- F. Administrative Reports**  
a. Superintendent - Mr. Johnson discussed the employee appreciation lunch.  
b. Elementary Principal  
c. Secondary Principal/AD - Not in attendance
- G. Discussion and Approval to Complete Application for KDHE Bus Funding Grant** - Mr. Johnson provided information about the grant. Mr. Barnes made a motion to give Mr. Johnson permission to fill out the KSDE Bus Funding Grant Application. Mrs. Garrow seconded. Motion carried 6-0.
- H. Discussion of Possible Board Tour/Meeting** - Discussion-The board scheduled the tour/meeting for June 2nd starting at 10:00 a.m.
- I. Discussion and Possible Approval of Summer School** - Mr. Reiling moved to approve the summer school schedules for elementary and middle school as presented. Mr. Copeland seconded. Motion carried 6-0.
- J. Discussion and Possible Approval of CTE and Fine Arts Curriculum** - Discussion-Mr. Barnes moved to approve the CTE and Fine Arts Curriculum as presented. Mr. Copeland seconded. Motion carried 6-0.
- K. Discussion and Possible Approval of Baseball Uniforms** - Mr. Reiling moved to approve the purchase of baseball uniforms as presented. Mr. Barnes seconded. Motion carried 6-0.
- L. Discussion and Possible Approval of Shot Clocks for Gold Gym** - Mr. Mahon moved to approve the shot clocks for the gold gym as presented. Mrs. Garrow seconded. Motion carried 6-0.
- M. Discussion and Possible Approval of KASB New and Updated Policies** - Mr. Barnes moved to approve the KASB new and updated policies as presented. Mr. Copeland seconded. Motion carried 6-0.
- N. Keystone Update** – Mr. Reiling provided an update.
- O. Executive Session** - Mr. Mahon made a motion to go into executive session to discuss potential employees pursuant to the exception for personnel matters of non-elected personnel under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume in the boardroom at 7:47 p.m. Mr. Mahon invited Mr. Johnson into executive session. Mr. Reiling seconded. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Johnson attended executive session. The board returned to open session at 7:47 p.m.

- P. Action Following Executive Session** - Mr. Reiling made a motion to hire Ms. Marie Umphenour as an assistant middle school track coach. Mrs. Garrow seconded. Motion carried 6-0.
- O. Executive Session** - Mr. Barnes made a motion to go into executive session to discuss an individual administrator's performance and contract terms pursuant to the exception for personnel matters of non-elected personnel under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume in the boardroom at 8:03 p.m. Mr. Barnes invited Mr. Johnson into executive session. Mr. Mahon seconded. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Johnson attended executive session. The board returned to open session at 8:03 p.m. Mr. Barnes made a motion to return to executive session to discuss an individual administrator's performance and contract terms pursuant to the exception for personnel matters of non-elected personnel under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume in the boardroom at 8:08 p.m. Mr. Barnes invited Mr. Johnson into executive session. Mr. Mahon seconded. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Johnson attended executive session. The board returned to open session at 8:08 p.m.
- P. Action Following Executive Session** - Mr. Reiling made a motion to extend the administrative contract of Ms. Melissa Miller through July 31, 2028. Mr. Mahon seconded. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Mahon made a motion to extend the administrative contract of Mr. Alan Hibdon through July 31, 2027. Mrs. Garrow seconded. Motion carried 6-0.
- O. Executive Session** - Mr. Barnes made a motion to go into executive session to discuss negotiable items under the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume in the boardroom at 8:17 p.m. Mr. Barnes invited Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson into executive session. Mr. Reiling seconded. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson attended executive session. The board returned to open session at 8:17 p.m.
- Q. Other**
- R. Adjourn** – Mrs. Coit adjourned the meeting at 8:22 p.m.

Mrs. Heather Coit, President

Mrs. Lorie Patterson, Clerk