

**McLouth USD 342
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
August 10, 2026**

- A. Call the Meeting to Order** – President Heather Coit called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- B. Roll Call**
Board members present: Mrs. Heather Coit, Mr. James Copeland, Mrs. Tara Garrow, Mr. Paul Haverkamp, Mr. Joe Mahon and Mr. Terry Reiling
Board members absent: Mr. Tony Barnes
Also present: Mr. Jerome Johnson, Mrs. Lorie Patterson, Mr. Malcolm Birnell, Mr. Alan Hibdon, Mrs. Melissa Miller and Ms. Beverly Muzzy
- C. Approval of the Agenda** – Mr. Reiling moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Haverkamp seconded. Motion carried 6-0.
- D. Consent Agenda** – Mr. Haverkamp moved to accept the consent agenda as presented. Mr. Mahon seconded. The Consent Agenda consisted of the following items: a. Approval of Minutes from July 13, 2026 Regular Board Meeting; b. Approval of Check Registers; c. Accept Treasurer's Report; d. Approval of Adult Meal Prices-Increase of \$.10 for lunch and breakfast, \$3.40 and \$5.35; and Approval to Hire/Rehire Spring and New Coaches. The motion carried 6-0.
- E. Comments from the President** – Mrs. Coit welcomed Dr. Birnell and reminded the board about Back to School Night.
- F. Administrative Reports**
a. Superintendent
b. Building Principals
- G. Discussion of the FY27 Budget and Approval to Publish** – Discussion-Mr. Mahon moved to approve the publication of the Notice of Hearing 2026-2027 Budget and the Exceeding Revenue Neutral for the 2026-2027 School Year. Mr. Copeland seconded. Motion carried 5-0-1.
- H. Discussion and Possible Approval of Finish Mower** – Discussion-Mr. Reiling moved to accept the bid for the batwing mower from Shuck Implement. Mrs. Garrow seconded. Motion carried 6-0.
- I. Discussion and Approval of Sub Pay** – Mr. Reiling made a motion to set the substitute teacher pay rate at \$140 per day with no probationary period. Mrs. Garrow seconded. Motion carried 6-0.
- J. Discussion of West Property Line** – Discussion-Mr. Copeland made a motion to perform a survey on the west property line. Mr. Haverkamp. Motion carried 6-0.
- K. Discussion and Approval of HVAC Unit** – Mr. Reiling made a motion to approve the replacement HVAC unit as presented. Mr. Mahon seconded. Motion carried 6-0.
- L. Keystone Update** – Mr. Reiling provided an update.
- M. Executive Session** - Mrs. Garrow 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 7:46 p.m. Mrs. Garrow invited Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson into executive session. Mr. Mahon seconded. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson attended executive session. The board returned to open session at 7:46 p.m. Mrs. Garrow made a motion to return to 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 8:08 p.m. Mrs. Garrow invited Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson into executive session. Mr. Mahon seconded. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson attended executive session.

Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson left executive session at 7:54 p.m.

The board returned to open session at 8:08 p.m. Mrs. Garrow made a motion to return to 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 8:31 p.m. Mrs. Garrow invited Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson into executive session. Mr. Mahon seconded. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson attended executive session. The board returned to open session at 8:31 p.m.

N. Action Following Executive Session – None

O. Other

P. Adjourn – Mrs. Coit adjourned the meeting at 8:36 p.m.

Mrs. Heather Coit, President

Mrs. Lorie Patterson, Clerk