

**McLouth USD 342
Board of Education
Special Board Meeting
August 17, 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 and Mr. Terry Reiling
Board members absent: Mr. Tony Barnes and Mr. Joe Mahon
Also present: Mr. Jerome Johnson and Mrs. Lorie Patterson
- C. Approval of the Agenda** – Mrs. Garrow moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Reiling seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
- D. Executive Session** – Mr. Reiling 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 7:16 p.m. Mr. Reiling invited Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson into executive session. Mrs. Garrow seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson attended executive session. The board returned to open session at 7:16 p.m.
- E. Action Following Executive Session** - Mr. Copeland moved to approve Ms. Kelsey Watson as the FBLA sponsor. Mrs. Garrow seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
- D. 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 7:39 p.m. Mrs. Garrow invited Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson into executive session. Mr. Reiling seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson attended executive session. The board returned to open session at 7:39 p.m.
- E. Action Following Executive Session** - Mr. Haverkamp moved to approve the changes to the negotiated agreement as negotiated with MEA and to approve a 1.6% increase to administrative salaries and to the classified salary schedule as presented. Mr. Copeland seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
- F. Adjourn** – Mrs. Coit adjourned the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

Mrs. Heather Coit, President

Mrs. Lorie Patterson, Clerk