McLouth USD 342
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
September 14, 2026

Hearing for Exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate (RNR) for the 2026-2027 School Year - 7:00 p.m. - After the hearing, Mr. Reiling moved to approve resolution 2027-01 authorizing USD 342 to levy property taxes to finance the 2026-2027 budget of USD 342 exceeding the revenue neutral tax rate. Mr. Mahon seconded. Mr. Haverkamp voted yes, Mr. Mahon voted yes, Mrs. Garrow voted yes, Mr. Copeland voted yes, Mrs. Coit voted yes, and Mr. Reiling voted yes. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Barnes was not in attendance.

Hearing of 2026-2027 Budget - Immediately followed the Hearing for Exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate (RNR)

A. Call the Meeting to Order – President Heather Coit called the meeting to order at 7:22 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, Mrs. Melissa Miller, Ms. Beverly Muzzy and Mr. Duane Thiry

C. Approval of the Agenda – Mr. Haverkamp moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mrs. Garrow seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

D. Consent Agenda – Mrs. Garrow moved to accept the consent agenda as presented. Mr. Reiling seconded. The Consent Agenda consisted of the following items: a. Approval of Minutes from August 10, 2026 Regular Board Meeting, August 17, 2026 Special Board Meeting, August 24, 2026 Special Board Meeting and September 3, 2026 Special Board Meeting; b. Approval of Check Registers; c. Accept Treasurer's Report; d. Accept the Donation from First State Bank and Trust; and e. Approval of FFA Out of State Student Trip Request. The motion carried 6-0.

E. Comments from the President – Mrs. Coit commented it has been a good start to the school year and good communication is being provided through Parent Square.

F. Administrative Reports
a. Superintendent
b. Building Principals

G. Discussion and Possible Adoption of FY27 Budget and LOB Resolution – Discussion-Mr. Reiling made the motion after reviewing, evaluating and using the Building Needs Assessment and the State Assessments provided to the board, I move we adopt the 2026-2027 budget as published. Mrs. Garrow seconded. Motion carried 6-0. Mrs. Garrow moved that the board approve resolution 2027-02 authorizing USD 342 to make a Local Option Percentage in the amount of 32.4% for the 2026-2027 school year. Mr. Reiling seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

H. Keystone Update – Mr. Reiling provided an update.

I. Executive Session - Mr. Mahon made a motion to go into executive session to discuss confidential student matters pursuant to the exception relating to actions adversely or favorably affecting a student under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume in the boardroom at 7:49 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 7:49 p.m. Mr. Haverkamp made a motion to return to executive session to discuss confidential student matters pursuant to the exception relating to actions adversely or favorably affecting a student under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume in the boardroom at 7:54 p.m. Mr. Haverkamp 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 7:54 p.m. Mr. Haverkamp made a motion to return to executive session to discuss confidential student matters

pursuant to the exception relating to actions adversely or favorably affecting a student under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume in the boardroom at 7:59 p.m. Mr. Haverkamp 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 7:59 p.m. Mr. Haverkamp made a motion to go into executive session to discuss potential employees pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume in the boardroom at 8:05 p.m. Mr. Haverkamp 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 8:05 p.m.

J. Action Following Executive Session – Mr. Reiling moved to hire Ms. Laurie Gann as a full-time substitute teacher for the remainder of the 2026-2027 school year. Mr. Mahon seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

K. Other

L. Adjourn – Mrs. Coit adjourned the meeting at 8:11 p.m.

Mrs. Heather Coit, President

Mrs. Lorie Patterson, Clerk