

# MINUTES

## MORGAN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD MEETING

**Tuesday, January 13, 2026, at the District Office at 5:00 p.m.**

**Present:**

**Board Members:**

Board President Gaylene Adams – present  
Kelly Preece - present  
Mandy Wallace – present  
Andrea Brooks – present  
Angie Trease – present  
Student Member Jackson Farmer - present

**District Staff:**

Superintendent Andy Jensen - present  
Business Administrator Scott McMillan – not present  
Secretary Jana Brown - present

**Other Staff and Patrons:** Tara Jarvie, Trina Wilkinson, Ramona Martin, Michelle Morrell, Luke Thomas, Josh Sargent, Destiny Field, Robert Kilmer, Steve Wood, Crae Wilson, Gwen Romero, Michele Wilkinson, Ross Wilkinson, Jaque Johansen, Shaun Rose, Janell Walker

**Welcome:** President Gaylene Adams opened the meeting.

**Prayer/Pledge:** Board Member Preece

**Consent Agenda:**

President Adams asked if there were any changes to the consent agenda. She stated that if there are no corrections, the consent agenda, including the following, is adopted:

- a. Public Notice
- b. Minutes of the December 9, 2025, meeting
- c. Personnel Updates
- d. Budget Report
- e. Payment of claims for December in the amount of \$3,223,255.03
- f. December School Reconciliation Reports

**Public Comment:**

There was no public comment.

**Superintendent's Report:**GIS County Map Layering Types and Options for MCSD

Morgan County Recorder Shaun Rose reported that the county has worked hard to create a GIS department with a GIS specialist. He presented the GIS County Map Layer Types and Options for Morgan County School District. He showed the Board members how to access and use the map on the county website. He stated that the GIS department is happy to help create any maps for the school district.

USBA Conference

Superintendent Jensen reported that the USBA conference was a great opportunity to meet as a Board to learn valuable information. He noted that he attended a meeting where the state informed them that early childhood literacy is a major issue. He stated that he has been invited by Senator Ann Millner to participate on a committee to create a plan for this issue.

**Business Administrator Report:**

Superintendent Jensen excused Business Administrator Scott McMillan. He presented the budget report for December. He discussed the report as well as the capital projects that are currently underway and those that will begin in the future.

**Discussion Items:**District Calendar

Superintendent Jensen reported that the 2026-27, 2027-28, and 2028-29 calendars have been revised to align fall break on the 3<sup>rd</sup> week in October every year. He noted that all three calendars will be approved at the next meeting.

Hotline Policy

Superintendent Jensen reported that this is an existing policy but was revised with updates from the state. He noted that this policy has been reviewed by the Policy Committee.

Nursing Roles and Responsibilities in District Childcare Policy

Superintendent Jensen reported that this policy was created for the MHS Childcare Center. He noted that it differs from the elementary preschools, as the preschool students are enrolled in the Morgan County School District. The roles for the school nurses are different for each. He stated that this policy has also been reviewed by the Policy Committee.

## TSSA Framework

Superintendent Jensen presented the TSSA Framework. He noted that this has not changed for several years.

### **Action Items:**

#### MHS Apple Lease Purchase Agreement Proposal

MOTION: Board Member Preece moved to approve the MHS Apple Lease Purchase Agreement Proposal.

SECOND: Board Member Brooks

DISCUSSION: Board Member Preece reported that after meeting with the BA and the administrators, he feels this is the right thing to do. Board Member Trease stated that the purpose is clear; however, she has had several questions from her constituents. MHS Principal Luke Thoams answered the questions that were raised. President Adams added that this proposal falls into the strategic plan for student growth. Board Members Wallace and Brooks agreed.

APPROVAL: The motion passed unanimously.

#### Board Schedule and Assignments

MOTION: Board Member Brooks moved to approve the Board Schedule and Assignments.

SECOND: Board Member Wallace

DISCUSSION: Board Member Trease made a motion to amend the motion.

MOTION: Board Member Trease moved to amend the motion to change the School Board meeting date from May 12, 2026, to May 5, 2026.

SECOND: Board Member Wallace

DISCUSSION: Board Member Brooks asked how this change would affect the district. Superintendent Jensen reported that he spoke with the principals and the MHS principals are indifferent, as are the MMS and MGMS principals. The MES and MGES principals are not in favor of changing the date because it would fall on the same day as administrative meetings. President Adams reported that she feels that it is important to keep consistency with the meeting dates.

APPROVAL: Board Member Trease voted in favor. President Adams, Board Members Preece, Wallace, and Brooks all voted against. The motion to amend the original motion failed.

DISCUSSION: There was no further discussion on the original motion.

APPROVAL: The original motion passed unanimously.

#### Facility Usage Agreement

MOTION: President Adams moved to approve the Facility Usage Agreement.

SECOND: Board Member Trease

DISCUSSION: Board Member Trease asked if the agreement has been changed to read that civic groups are not charged a fee to use the buildings. Superintendent Jensen reported that the agreement that was sent in the packet was not the updated agreement. The agreement has been updated to include civic groups as Class I groups that are not charged a fee to use the facilities.

President Adams withdrew the original motion.

MOTION: President Adams moved to approve the Facility Usage Agreement as long as it contains wording that reads that civic groups are part of the Class I group and agreed changes in charges for the facilities and turf.

SECOND: Board Member Trease

DISCUSSION: There was no further discussion.

APPROVAL: The motion passed unanimously.

#### Interlocal Recreation Agreement

MOTION: Board Member Preece moved to approve the Interlocal Recreation Agreement.

SECOND: Board Member Brooks

DISCUSSION: Superintendent Jensen reported that the date the agreement ends was added to page 2.

APPROVAL: The motion passed unanimously.

#### **Board Member Committee/School Visit Reports:**

The Board members gave updates on their school visits and committee assignments.

#### **Advanced Planning for Upcoming Events:**

- a. USBA Day on the Hill January 30, 2026
- b. Next Meeting February 10, 2026, 5:00 p.m. Work Meeting 4:00 p.m.

The Board meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

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Business Administrator, Scott McMillan