

Morgan County Board of Education Regular Meeting

December 16, 2025, 6:30 PM

Please note that as authorized under KRS 61.823 and KRS 61.826, the Morgan County Board of Education, located at 155 University Drive, West Liberty, KY 41472, will hold a Regular Meeting via videoconference on December 16, 2025, at 6:30 PM. This same site will be the primary location where the public can attend and observe the meeting, and all members of the board can be seen and heard, including those attending by videoconference.

1. OPENING CEREMONIES

a. Welcome

The welcome was given by Mr. Jesse Clinger.

b. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Morgan County Schools Principals and Assistant Principals.

2. ROLL CALL

Attendance Taken at: 6:30 PM

Present Board Members

Mrs. Esther Cain

Mr. Jesse Clinger

Mr. Michael Gevedon

Mr. James Lane

Mr. Ricky Pennington

Mrs. Rebecca McCoy-Board Attorney-Present

Ms. Ella Henderson-Student Representative-Present

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Order #9947. - Motion Passed: Adopted agenda as amended passed with a motion by Mrs. Esther Cain and a second by Mr. James Lane.

Mrs. Esther Cain Yes

Mr. Jesse Clinger Yes

Mr. Michael Gevedon Yes

Mr. James Lane Yes

Mr. Ricky Pennington Yes

4. REPORTS AND INFORMATION

a. Student Representative

Ms. Ella Henderson presented the Morgan County High School Student Representative Update.

b. Facilities Update

Dr. Ralph W. Hamilton presented the Facilities Update.

c. Kentucky Summative Assessment: Comprehensive District/School Improvement Plan(s)

Mrs. Amanda Lee presented the Kentucky Summative Assessment: Comprehensive District Improvement Plan. Morgan County Schools Principals presented their Comprehensive School Improvement Plans.

d. Treasurer's Report

Mrs. Lori Stamper presented the Treasurer's Report.

e. Personnel Actions

Please see the attachment.

f. School-Based Decision Making Minutes

Please see the attachments.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

No Announcements.

6. DISCUSSION FROM THE FLOOR

No Discussion from the floor.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. November 14, 2025, Special Called Board Meeting Minutes

Order #9948. - Motion Passed: Approved the November 14, 2025, Special Called Board Meeting Minutes passed with a motion by Mr. Michael Gevedon and a second by Mr. Ricky Pennington.

Mrs. Esther Cain	Yes
Mr. Jesse Clinger	Yes
Mr. Michael Gevedon	Yes
Mr. James Lane	Yes
Mr. Ricky Pennington	Yes

8. ACTION ITEMS

a. Capital Funds Request

Order #9949. - Motion Passed: Approved the Capital Funds Request passed with a motion by Mr. James Lane and a second by Mr. Ricky Pennington.

Mrs. Esther Cain	Yes
Mr. Jesse Clinger	Yes
Mr. Michael Gevedon	Yes
Mr. James Lane	Yes
Mr. Ricky Pennington	Yes

b. 2025-26 Comprehensive District Improvement Plan

Order #9950. - Motion Passed: Approved the 2025-26 Comprehensive District Improvement Plan passed with a motion by Mr. Ricky Pennington and a second by Mr. James Lane.

Mrs. Esther Cain	Yes
Mr. Jesse Clinger	Yes
Mr. Michael Gevedon	Yes
Mr. James Lane	Yes
Mr. Ricky Pennington	Yes

c. 2026 District Professional Development Plan

Order #9951. - Motion Passed: Approved the 2026 District Professional Development Plan passed with a motion by Mr. Jesse Clinger and a second by Mr. James Lane.

Mrs. Esther Cain	Yes
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Mr. Jesse Clinger	Yes
Mr. Michael Gevedon	Yes
Mr. James Lane	Yes
Mr. Ricky Pennington	Yes

d. District High-Quality Instructional Resources (HQIR)

Order #9952. - Motion Passed: Approved the District High-Quality Instructional Resources (HQIR) passed with a motion by Mr. Ricky Pennington and a second by Mrs. Esther Cain.

Mrs. Esther Cain	Yes
Mr. Jesse Clinger	Yes
Mr. Michael Gevedon	Yes
Mr. James Lane	Yes
Mr. Ricky Pennington	Yes

9. CONSENT AGENDA

Order #9953. - Motion Passed: Approved the consent agenda as presented passed with a motion by Mr. Jesse Clinger and a second by Mrs. Esther Cain.

Mrs. Esther Cain	Yes
Mr. Jesse Clinger	Yes
Mr. Michael Gevedon	Yes
Mr. James Lane	Yes
Mr. Ricky Pennington	Yes

- a.** Approved the Orders of the Treasurer
- b.** Approved the Morgan County Board of Education Year-to-Date Financial Report
- c.** Approved the Morgan County Board of Education General Fund Account Report
- d.** Approved the Monthly Financial Reports
- e.** Approved the Credit Card Report
- f.** Ratified the BAMWX LLC Weather Services
- g.** Approved the Memorandum of Understanding between Morgan County Schools and The Kentucky Department of Education, Office of Career and Technical Education
- h.** Approved the Morgan County Middle School Cheerleading Overnight Stay in Bowling Green, KY.
- i.** Approved the Morgan County High School English Language Arts Students to Cincinnati Museum Center to tour an Auschwitz Exhibit
- j.** Approved the All District Honor Band Competition
- k.** Approved the ELEVATE GEAR UP Success Coach Job Description Amendment
- l.** Approved the 2025-26 Salary Schedule Amendment
- m.** Approved the Superintendent Travel and Expenses

10. RECESS

Recessed at 7:13 p.m. for 5 minutes.

11. ENTER CLOSED SESSION

- a.** Enter into Closed Session per KRS 61.810(1)(c) "Discussions of proposed or pending litigation against or on behalf of the public agency" and KRS 156.557(6)(c) "Any preliminary discussions relating to the evaluation of

the Superintendent by the board or between the board and the Superintendent prior to the summative evaluation shall be conducted in closed session."

Order #9954. - Motion Passed: Entered into Closed Session at 7:18 p.m. per KRS 61.810(1)(c) "Discussions of proposed or pending litigation against or on behalf of the public agency" and KRS 156.557(6)(c) "Any preliminary discussions relating to the evaluation of the Superintendent by the board or between the board and the Superintendent prior to the summative evaluation shall be conducted in closed session." passed with a motion by Mr. Jesse Clinger and a second by Mr. James Lane.

Mrs. Esther Cain	Yes
Mr. Jesse Clinger	Yes
Mr. Michael Gevedon	Yes
Mr. James Lane	Yes
Mr. Ricky Pennington	Yes

12. EXIT CLOSED SESSION

Order #9955. - Motion Passed: Exited Closed Session at 8:29 p.m. passed with a motion by Mr. Jesse Clinger and a second by Mr. James Lane.

Mrs. Esther Cain	Yes
Mr. Jesse Clinger	Yes
Mr. Michael Gevedon	Yes
Mr. James Lane	Yes
Mr. Ricky Pennington	Yes

13. OTHER BUSINESS

No Other Business

14. ADJOURNMENT

Order #9956. - Motion Passed: Approved adjournment at 8:30 p.m. passed with a motion by Mr. James Lane and a second by Mrs. Esther Cain.

Mrs. Esther Cain	Yes
Mr. Jesse Clinger	Yes
Mr. Michael Gevedon	Yes
Mr. James Lane	Yes
Mr. Ricky Pennington	Yes



Board Chairman



Secretary