

CHADWICK-MILLEDGEVILLE COMMUNITY UNIT DIST. #399
SEPTEMBER 21, 2026 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Chadwick-Milledgeville Community Unit School District #399 Board of Education was held at the Milledgeville School on Monday, September 21, 2026 at 7:02 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: M. Bibler, A. Drinkall, S. Engelkens, P. Eubanks, C. Rahn, and M. Urish. T. Hackbarth arrived at 7:17 p.m.

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT: T. Schurman, Superintendent, T. Jakse, Jr./Sr. High School Principal, and D. Eich, Elementary Principal.

OTHERS PRESENT: Kurt Francis, John Scidmore, Angie Scidmore, Josh Stepp, Michaela Nelson, Les Nelson

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by P. Eubanks, President. A motion was made by C. Rahn and seconded by A. Drinkall to approve the agenda. Roll call vote showed M. Bibler, A. Drinkall, S. Engelkens, P. Eubanks, C. Rahn, and M. Urish voting aye. No nays. Motion carried.

CONSENT ITEMS: A motion was made by M. Urish and seconded by A. Drinkall to approve the following consent items as presented.

- A. Minutes of the August 17, 2026 Regular Board Meeting and Closed Session Meeting
- B. Payment of bills for September 2026
- C. Treasurer's report for August 2026
- D. Student Activity Fund Account Summary for August 2026

Roll call vote showed M. Bibler, A. Drinkall, S. Engelkens, P. Eubanks, C. Rahn, and M. Urish voting aye. No nays. Motion carried.

COMMENT FROM THE PUBLIC:

OLD BUSINESS

Fiscal Budget: A motion was made by M. Bibler and seconded by T. Hackbarth to approve the Fiscal 2027 budget and place on District website, submit to ROE, and to auditors. Roll call vote showed M. Bibler, A. Drinkall, S. Engelkens, P. Eubanks, T. Hackbarth, C. Rahn, and M. Urish voting aye. Motion carried.

Superintendent Schurman reported that the proposed budget is balanced and forecasts a modest surplus. Due to prorated transportation categorical funding, it will be a challenge to achieve a surplus in the transportation fund. Overall, the budget is a positive one and funds all of our priorities.

Approved Athletic Sharing Agreement: A motion was made by A. Drinkall and seconded by S. Engelkens to approve the Athletic Sharing Agreement with Polo Community Unit District #222 for High School Baseball and Softball 2027-2028. Voice vote showed 7 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

We are excited to work together with Polo to field competitive teams in baseball and softball.

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NEW BUSINESS:

PRESS Board Policy Update Issue #122 Second Reading: A motion was made by T. Hackbarth and seconded by C. Rahn to approve the PRESS Board Policy Update Issue #122 Second Reading. Voice vote showed 7 ayes and no nays. Motion carried. Superintendent Schurman reported the following policies will be updated: superintendent requirements, board meetings, open meetings, administrative organization, food services, pandemic response, qualified teachers, copyrights, School Resource Officer, search and seizure, sex offender, and five-year reviews. Once approved they will become official policy.

Fiscal 2027 Administrative Compensation Report: A motion was made by M. Bibler and seconded by T. Hackbarth to approve the Fiscal 2027 Administrative Compensation Report and to post on the website. Roll call vote showed M. Bibler, A. Drinkall, S. Engelkens, P. Eubanks, T. Hackbarth, C. Rahn, and M. Urish voting aye. No nays. Motion carried.

This report is required to be completed annually by the Illinois State Board of Education. In addition, an Administrative Salary and Benefit Report must be posted on the District website by October 1, 2026.

CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by M. Bibler and seconded by S. Engelkens to convene in closed session at 7:31 p.m. in order to consider information regarding the appointment, employment, or dismissal of an employee or officer; and consider student disciplinary matters. Roll call vote showed M. Bibler, A. Drinkall, S. Engelkens, P. Eubanks, T. Hackbarth, C. Rahn, and M. Urish voting aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by M. Urish and seconded by T. Hackbarth to reconvene into regular open session at 7:42 p.m. Voice vote showed 7 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

MOTIONS OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

Approved Hiring HS Scholastic Bowl Coach: A motion was made by M. Urish and seconded by T. Hackbarth to approve hiring Mr. Justin Parks as the HS Scholastic Bowl Coach for the 2026-27 season. Roll call vote showed M. Bibler, A. Drinkall, S. Engelkens, P. Eubanks, T. Hackbarth, C. Rahn, and M. Urish voting aye. Motion carried.

Approved JH Boys Basketball Volunteer Coach: A motion was made by A. Drinkall and seconded by M. Bibler to approve Mr. Correy Rahn as a volunteer Junior High Boys' Basketball Coach for the 2026-27 school year. Voice vote showed 6 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

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ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

- A. Early Step Preschool Report
Superintendent Schurman reported that funding for the Pre-K grant is flowing in as expected.
- B. Report on Educational and Legislative Issues
Superintendent Schurman reported that a funding shortage in Chicago Public Schools will be a major topic of discussion during the Illinois General Assembly's fall veto session. How that shakes out could impact other education funding in the state.
- C. Principal's Reports
K-5 Elementary Principal Eich Report:
The elementary students recently completed fall MAP testing, and staff are using the results to guide instruction and interventions. Staff also participated in CPI training focused on student de-escalation strategies, while students explored a variety of careers during Career Day. Upcoming events include "Morning with Your Missile" on September 25 and a fire safety demonstration on October 9. In junior high athletics, volleyball season will conclude with the conference tournament on October 3, and 17 students have signed up for boys' basketball.
Jr./Sr. High Principal Jakse Report:
Students in grades 6-11 completed fall MAP testing to establish baseline achievement data, while seniors participated in planning sessions focused on graduation activities, college applications, career planning, and financial aid. The football team opened the season with a win over Galva, and the Safety Plan Committee met with local law enforcement to review and strengthen district safety procedures. Homecoming activities, including float building, the parade, and activity night, provided students with opportunities to build teamwork, school spirit, and community involvement.
- D. Superintendent's Report
 - 1. After School Homework Club started August 31, 2026
 - 2. Public School Works Staff Training Program
Staff are currently taking training on Blood Borne Pathogens, Sexual Harassment, Ethics, Diabetes, Civil Rights, Safety, and Operating AED's.
 - 3. Half Day School Improvement Institute Friday, September 18, 2026.
Staff received training from Mr. Tony Crisp from Bi-County Special Education Coop on CPI Deescalation Training.

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ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by C. Rahn and seconded by M. Bibler to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 PM. Voice vote showed all in favor, motion carried.

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

NEXT BOARD MEETING - Monday, October 19, 2026, at 7:00 P.M. at the
Milledgeville High School Library