

CHADWICK-MILLEDGEVILLE COMMUNITY UNIT DISTRICT #399
DECEMBER 15, 2025 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, December 15, 2025 following the Truth in Taxation Hearing at 7:46 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: M. Bibler, A. Drinkall, S. Engelkens, P. Eubanks, T. Hackbarth, C. Rahn, and M. Urish.

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT: T. Schurman, Superintendent, T. Jakse, JH/HS Principal, and D. Eich, Elementary Principal.

OTHERS PRESENT: Makayla Meier, Amber Meier, Chris Meier, Randy Landis, Greg Miller, Katie Jakobs, Nik Jakobs, Ellen Miller, Brad Smith, Nate Wiersema, Craig Gebhardt, Lisa Mayne, Leslie Mayne, and Karter Livengood.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Board President P. Eubanks. A motion was made by M. Urish and seconded by C. Rahn to approve the agenda. Voice vote showed 7 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

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

- a. Minutes of the November 17, 2025 Regular and Closed Meeting.
- b. Payment of bills for December, 2025
- c. Treasurer's report for November, 2025
- d. Hot Lunch Report for November, 2025
- e. Student Activity Fund Account Summary for November, 2025.

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.

COMMENT FROM THE PUBLIC

- A. Recognition of Milledgeville High School's Illinois State Scholars for 2025: Makayla Meier, Leslie Mayne, and Karter Livengood.
- B. Thank you to United Women in Faith for monetary donation towards students' lunch accounts.
- C. Audit Report received from Mr. Kyle Polhill of Benning Group.

OLD BUSINESS

Adoption of 2025 Tax Levy: A motion was made by P. Eubanks and seconded by T. Hackbarth to approve adoption of the 2025 Tax Levy. Roll call vote showed M. Bibler, S. Engelkens, P. Eubanks, T. Hackbarth, C. Rahn, and M. Urish voting aye. A. Drinkall voted nay. Motion carried.

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The tax levy captures the growth in the Equalized Assessed Valuation of the school district for the coming year.

Approved PRESS Policy Update Issue #120 Second Reading: A motion was made by M. Urish and seconded by S. Engelkens to approve the second reading of PRESS Policy Update Issue #120. Voice vote showed 7 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

Superintendent Schurman reported that once approved the following policies will be revised and updated: renumber school code provisions; mental health requirements; neonatal intensive care leave; open meetings act; FOIA; administrative procedures; discrimination policy; building principal responsibilities; fiscal and business management; third party contracts; accounting and audits; transportation; school bus safety rules; criminal offender screening; staff development program; ethics; school year and calendar; curriculum development; AP classes; student behavior; student records; and parent involvement.

NEW BUSINESS

Approved revised 2025-2026 District Textbook List: A motion was made by M. Bibler and seconded by A. Drinkall to approve the revised 2025-2026 district textbook list. Voice vote showed 7 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

Superintendent Schurman reported that we revise this list each year in order to reflect the quantity and condition of our textbooks.

Approved Resolution on Board Members as Mandated Reporters: A motion was made by T. Hackbarth and seconded by P. Eubanks to approve the following resolution: Members of the Chadwick-Milledgeville CUSD #399 Board of Education are mandated reporters as designated by Illinois State Law. Voice vote showed 7 ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

Approved ISBE School Maintenance Grant Application for FY2026: A motion was made by A. Drinkall and seconded by M. Urish to approve the Illinois State Board of Education School Maintenance Grant Application for Fiscal Year 2026. 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.

Superintendent Schurman reported that we plan to use the grant funds to help pay for replacement of gym basket standards, new pulley system, new side backboards, shot clocks, and possibly new gym bleachers.

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ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

A. Report on Educational and Legislative Issues

The State of Illinois proration of categorical grants is making it difficult to maintain a surplus budget in the transportation fund.

B. Early Step board report

C. Principal's Reports are enclosed

Mr. Jakse reported that NWEA-MAP testing was completed last Thursday and went very well. Christmas program went well and was well attended. Mr. Eich reported that the Missile Mentor program has focused on teaching students what respect looks like and students have completed a variety of activities to reenforce this important concept.

D. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Schurman reported that Title I, Title II, and Title IV grant amendments have been submitted to ISBE to account for additional funds received. School Maintenance Grant has been completed and is ready for submission.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by C. Rahn and seconded by A. Drinkall to adjourn at 9:24 p.m. Voice vote showed 7 ayes. No nays. Motion carried.

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

Next Regular Board Meeting will be **Tuesday, January 20, 2026** at the MHS Library at 7:00 PM.