

**Ell Saline Unified School District 307
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
Ell-Saline MSHS Library
June 8, 2026
6:30 PM**

6:30 p.m. Call to Order

The regular Board of Education meeting was held at the Ell-Saline MSHS Library on Monday, June 8, 2026, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Board members present: Heather Hardesty – President, J.D. Garber -Vice-President, Rebecca Kejr, Mindy Tillberg, and Dave Hiechel

Board members absent: John Fouard, and Marty Kramer

Administrator and Board personnel present: Brian Rowley, Chris McClure, Darla Raile, Cher Richards, and Jennifer Johnson

Audience Present – Scott Merritt

6:32 p.m. Executive Session

Motion by Mindy Tillberg, seconded by Rebecca Kejr to go into executive session under the exceptions relating to Non-elected personnel and negotiations under KOMA for 30 minutes with the right to invite Mr. Rowley, Ms. Raile, and Mr. McClure into Executive Session. Motion carried 5-0.

7:03 p.m. Executive Session

Motion by J.D. Garber, seconded by Rebecca Kejr to go into executive session under the exceptions relating to Non-elected personnel and negotiations under KOMA for 20 minutes with the right to invite Mr. Rowley, Ms. Raile, and Mr. McClure into Executive Session. Motion carried 4-0.

7:25 p.m. Executive Session

Motion by J.D. Garber, seconded by Mindy Tillberg to go into executive session under the exceptions relating to Non-elected personnel and negotiations under KOMA for 15 minutes with the right to invite Mr. Rowley, Ms. Raile, and Mr. McClure into Executive Session. Motion carried 4-0.

7:43 p.m. Open Session

Approval/Modification of the Agenda- Action

Motion by Dave Hiechel, seconded by Mindy Tillberg to remove B. Goals from the agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

Audience with the Board

Approval of the Minutes – Action

Motion by Mindy Tillberg, seconded by Rebecca Kejr to approve the May Regular Board minutes. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of the Treasurer’s Report/Bills-Action

Motion by Mindy Tillberg, seconded by Rebecca Kejr to approve the May Treasurer reports and bills. Motion carried 5-0.

Reports from the BOE and Administration

BUSINESS

A. Academic Assessment Results- Discussion

B. Goals – Action

Removed from Agenda.

C. KASB Policy Recommendations – Discussion

D. Student Handbook Updates – Action

Motion by Rebecca Kejr, seconded by Mindy Tillberg to approve the Elementary and MSHS Student handbooks as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

E. 2026-2027 Fees – Action

Motion by Dave Hiechel, seconded by Rebecca Kejr to approve the School fees as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Textbook Rental

Grades K-12	\$60
Reduced Rate	\$15
Max Per Family	\$120

Preschool

Rate	\$150 per month
Free/Reduced Rate	\$50 per month

Technology Fee

K-12	\$40
Free/Reduced Rate	\$20

After School

Student Grades K-6	\$60 per month
Family Cap	\$120 per month

F. Meal Prices – Action

Motion by Mindy Tillberg, seconded by J.D. Garber to approve 26-27 School Meal prices as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

2026-2027 School

Meal Fees

	Breakfast	Lunch
Reduced	\$.30	\$0.40
Grades PK-6	\$3.05	\$4.30
Grades 7-12	\$3.25	\$4.60
Adult	\$4.10	\$5.50
Milk	\$0.65	\$0.65

G. Supplemental Contracts - Action

Motion by Mindy Tillberg, seconded by Dave Hiechel to accept Joe Roche's resignation from Summer Weights effective immediately, to approve Sterling Harp as Summer Weights effective immediately, to approve Darby Smith as MS Asst. Volleyball Coach, to accept Dakota Came's resignation as HS Asst. Football Coach, to approve Scott Merritt as MS Asst. Football Coach, to approve Sterling Harp as HS Asst. Football Coach and to approve the continuation of the coaching contracts as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

H. Classified Staff – Action

Motion by Mindy Tillberg, seconded by Rebecca Kejr to accept Rebekah Myers resignation as the 26-27 Elementary Title Paraprofessional. Motion carried 5-0.

I. Gifts – Action

Motion by Rebecca Kejr, seconded by Mindy Tillberg to accept the grant of \$10,000 from Propane Foundation of Kansas, and to accept the Kroger Community Rewards band reward of \$99.86. Motion carried 5-0.

J. Bus Grant- Action

Motion by Mindy Tillberg, seconded by Rebecca Kejr to proceed with purchasing the propane route bus as part of the grant awarded. Motion carried 5-0.

K. Negotiations – Action

Motion by Mindy Tillberg, seconded by J.D. Garber to approve ratifying the Tentative Agreement, and the recommended employment agreements for all staff as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

L. 26-27 Board Meeting Dates

Motion by Mindy Tillberg, seconded by J.D. Garber to approve the following dates for the BOE meetings for the 26-27 school year: July 13, August 10, September 4, October 12, November 9, December 14, January 11, February 8, March 8, April 12, May 10, June 14. Motion carried 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by J.D. Garber, seconded by Mindy Tillberg to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

The next Regular Board Meeting will be held Monday, July 13th, 2026 at the Ell-Saline Middle/High School Library, starting at 6:30 p.m.