

**Ell Saline Unified School District 307  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
Ell-Saline MSHS Library  
August 10, 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, August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2026, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

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

Board members absent: John Fouard

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

Audience Present –Scott Merritt, Cindy Jensen

**6:31 p.m.      Executive Session**

Motion by Mindy Tillberg, seconded by Heather Hardesty to go into executive session under the exceptions relating to Non-elected personnel and student issues 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.      Open Session**

**Approval/Modification of the Agenda- Action**

Motion by Heather Hardesty, seconded by Mindy Tillberg to add F. Classified Staff under Business. Motion carried 6-0.

**Audience with the Board**

**Approval of the Minutes – Action**

Motion by Heather Hardesty, seconded by Rebecca Kejr to approve the July Regular and the July Special BOE meeting minutes. Motion carried 6-0.

**Approval of the Treasurer’s Report/Bills-Action**

Motion by Heather Hardesty, seconded by Rebecca Kejr to approve the June and July Treasurer reports and bills. Motion carried 6-0.

**Reports from the BOE and Administration**

**BUSINESS**

**A. Copier Contract – Action**

Motion by Mindy Tillberg, seconded by Rebecca Kejr to approve Digital Office Systems lease contract as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

**B. Substitute Teachers-Action**

Motion by Heather Hardesty, seconded by Mindy Tillberg to approve Steven Frueh and Jessica Bertrand as substitute teachers. Motion carried 6-0.

**C. Early Graduation Request- Action**

Motion by Dave Hiechel, seconded by Heather Hardesty to approve the request and allow Hayden Jacobs to graduate in December of 2026. Motion carried 6-0.

**D. Budget - Discussion**

**E. Van Bids-Action**

Motion by Marty Kramer, seconded by Mindy Tillberg to accept the bid from Kansas Truck for the 2025 Ram ProMaster 10 passenger van. Motion carried 6-0.

**F. Classified Staff - Action**

Motion by Mindy Tillberg, seconded by Heather Hardesty to approve Ashley Mills as a full time Paraprofessional, and Khiley Davis as a part time Preschool Paraprofessional. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Mindy Tillberg, seconded by Heather Hardesty to approve a 3.26 % raise for Classified staff that do not elect our Health Insurance benefit. Motion carried 6-0.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Heather Hardesty, seconded by Mindy Tillberg adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m.  
Motion carried 6-0.

The next Regular Board Meeting will be held Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at the Ell-Saline Middle/High School Library, starting at 6:30 p.m.