

PEORIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
ORDER OF BUSINESS
July 1, 2026
12:00 p.m.

AGENDA ITEMS

OPEN SESSION - Administration Building, DLC Board Room

OPENING

A. CALL TO ORDER-12:00 P.M.

B. ROLL CALL

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

D. PRESENTATION BY AUDIENCE

(Board Policy 2:230-An individual may address the Board at this time for no more than five minutes with further time allotted as appropriate, at the discretion of the chair and with the concurrence of the majority of the Board. Total time on any one subject shall exceed twenty minutes only at the discretion of the chair and with the concurrence of the majority of the Board. Each speaker will fill out a "Request to Speak to the Board of Education" card and present it to the Board Secretary before the meeting begins.)

E. RESPONSE TO AUDIENCE PRESENTATIONS

F. APPROVAL OF June 22, 2026 Minutes

INFORMATION ITEMS

(Information Items are reports from the Administration to the Board that deal directly with the Board has stated and approved annual objectives for the school district. These reports are intended to update the Board on the progress being made to achieve those goals. While they require no action by the Board, the Superintendent or Board President may ask for a consensus of the Board to be taken in order to provide guidance to the administration. Occasionally the Superintendent may ask to include presentations from the administration or from the community on items of importance to the school district that do not fall into one of the Board's annual objectives.)

ACTION ITEMS -

CONSENT AGENDA

(Action by the Board of Education on the items listed with the Consent Agenda are adopted by a single motion unless a member of the Board or the Superintendent requests that any such item be removed from the consent calendar and voted on separately. Generally, consent agenda items are matters in which the Board and Superintendent agree are routine in nature and should be acted upon in one motion to conserve time and permit focus on other-than-routine items on the agenda)

1. HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT

Proposed Action: Appointment, employment, compensation, performance, resignation, retirement, or discharge of an employee.

2. INTERIM PAYMENTS

Proposed Action: That the Board of Education approve the School District's expenditure of funds to defray necessary and proper expenses and liabilities of the School District incurred for educational or operations or maintenance or transportation or site and construction purposes of the District for Fiscal Year 2026, until such time the Annual Budget of the District is adopted in conformity with applicable sections of the Illinois School Code.

3. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ILLINOIS SCHOOL DISTRICT LIQUID ASSET FUND

Proposed Action: That the resolution be approved as presented.

AGENDA ITEMS

4. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INTER FUND TRANSFERS AND LOANS AND AUTHORITY TO INVEST FUNDS
Proposed Action: That the resolution be approved as presented.
5. TAX DEDUCTIONS
Proposed Action: That the resolution be approved as presented.
6. RESOLUTION DESIGNATING DEPOSITORIES
Proposed Action: That the resolution designating depositories be approved.
7. RESOLUTION APPROVING TREASURER'S BOND
Proposed Action: That the resolution providing for a \$15,000,000 Treasurer's Bond be approved.
8. PREVAILING WAGE
Proposed Action: That the resolution establishing prevailing wage rates, in compliance with Illinois Statutes, be adopted and that a copy of this resolution be filed with the Secretary of State and the Department of Labor by the Secretary of the Board of Education.
9. APPROVAL OF THE RESOLUTION TO PUT PEORIA COUNTY SCHOOL FACILITIES SALES TAX QUESTION ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT.
Proposed Action: That the Board approves the resolution to put the Peoria County School Facilities Sales Tax for 1-cent on the November 2026 election ballot.

PRESENTATION AND SUGGESTIONS BY BOARD MEMBERS

REMARKS BY BOARD MEMBERS

ADJOURNMENT SINE DIE

If special accommodation is needed in order to participate in the board meeting, please contact the District office at 672-6763.

PEORIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Reorganizational Meeting
July 1, 2026
12:00 p.m.

AGENDA ITEMS

- A. CALL TO ORDER OPEN SESSION
- B. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN PRO TEM
- C. RECOGNITION OF ELECTED BOARD MEMBER
 - Oath of Office:
 - Andres Diaz
 - Sarah Howard
 - Remarks by New Board Members
- D. ELECTION OF SECRETARY
- E. ROLL CALL
- F. ELECTION OF OFFICERS
 - 1. PRESIDENT
 - 2. VICE PRESIDENT
- G. APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT BOARD SECRETARY AND TREASURER FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR
Proposed Action: That Arlissa Holford be appointed Assistant Board Secretary of the Board of Education and that Michael Curry be appointed the Treasurer for the 2026-2027 school year.
- H. ADOPTION OF BOARD AGREEMENT ON THE FOCUS OF THE WORK OF THE BOARD & CODE OF CONDUCT
Proposed Action: That the Board of Education adopt, for 2026-2027, the Peoria Public Schools Board Agreement on the Focus of the Work of the Board and the Code of Conduct.
- I. ADOPTION OF BOARD POLICIES
Proposed Action: That the policies of the immediate past Board be the policies of the new Board.

ADJOURNMENT

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PEORIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
ACTION ITEM

July 1, 2026

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION
SUBJECT: INTERIM PAYMENTS

Proposed Action:

That the Board of Education approve the School District's expenditure of funds to defray necessary and proper expenses and liabilities of the School District incurred for educational or operations or maintenance or transportation or site and construction purposes of the District for Fiscal Year 2027, until such time the Annual Budget of the District is adopted in conformity with applicable sections of the Illinois School Code.

Background:


Since the budget will not be adopted on July 1, 2026, the Board of Education needs to authorize the District to expend funds in order to cover the costs of salaries, benefits, materials and supplies.

Submitted by:



Mick Willis, Chief Financial Officer

Approved for presentation to the Board of Education:



Dr. Jerry Bell
Superintendent

PEORIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
ACTION ITEM

July 1, 2026

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

SUBJECT: ILLINOIS SCHOOL DISTRICT LIQUID ASSET FUND

Proposed Action:

Illinois School District Liquid Asset Fund Plus

WHEREAS, the Treasurer of this school district is a Participant of the Illinois School District Liquid Asset Fund Plus (the "Fund"); and

WHEREAS, this Board deems it to be in the best interest of this school district for its Treasurer to make use, from time to time, of the Fixed-Rate/Certificate of Deposit Investment Service available to Participants of the Fund; and

WHEREAS, a list of criteria (the "Criteria"), for Depositories and Investments is Board Policy;

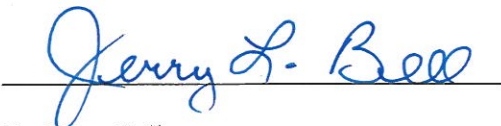
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by this Board that banks and savings and loan associations meeting the requirements set forth in the Criteria and included on a list approved and maintained for such purpose of the Investment Advisor of the Fund are hereby designated as depositories for Fiscal Year 2027 pursuant to Section 8-7 of the School Code of the State of Illinois, as amended, or as financial institutions in which school monies may be invested pursuant to Paragraph 902 of Chapter 85 of the Illinois Revised Statutes, as amended, and that monies of this school district may be deposited or invested therein, from time to time at the discretion of the Treasurer acting on behalf of this school district, pursuant to the Fixed-Rate/Certificate of Deposit Investment Service available to Participants of the Fund, and that a copy of the Criteria be placed in the minutes of the meeting at which this Resolution was adopted.

Submitted by:



Mick Willis, Chief Financial Officer

Approved for presentation to the Board of Education:



Dr. Jerry Bell
Superintendent

PEORIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
ACTION ITEM

July 1, 2026

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INTERFUND TRANSFERS AND
LOANS AND AUTHORITY TO INVEST FUNDS

Proposed Action:

That the following resolution be approved:

**INTER FUND TRANSFERS AND LOANS
AND AUTHORITY TO INVEST FUNDS**

WHEREAS the Treasurer of the Board of Education City of Peoria, School District 150, is charged with making periodic inter fund transfers and loans, and,

WHEREAS the Treasurer is responsible for the investment of idle funds of the District;

NOW THEREFORE, the Treasurer is hereby authorized to make periodic inter fund loans and transfers and to invest all idle and necessary cash of the District in securities as authorized by the school code.

FURTHER, the Treasurer shall make periodic reports to the Board of Education of any such inter fund loans and transfers and investments, said reports shall be made to the Board monthly.

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Approved for presentation to the Board of Education:



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Superintendent

PEORIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
ACTION ITEM

July 1, 2026

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

SUBJECT: TAX DEDUCTIONS

Proposed Action:

That the following resolution be approved:

TAX DEDUCTIONS

WHEREAS, the Revenue Act of the United States and the State of Illinois have heretofore and will hereafter require this Board to make deductions from the salaries and wages of its employees for the payment of Federal and Illinois State income taxes,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

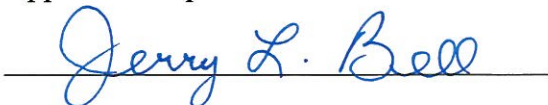
1. The proper officers of this Board be and they are hereby authorized, empowered and directed for Fiscal Year 2027 to deduct from the salaries and wages of each of the employees of this Board from time to time hereafter the amount of deductions required under said Acts of the United States and State of Illinois, and,
2. The officers of this Board be and they are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to pay all of such deductions through Commerce Bank, a banking corporation organized under the laws of the State of Illinois, using the mandatory electronic Federal Tax Payment System and the Illinois Electronics Funds Transfer Payment System.

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Approved for presentation to the Board of Education:



Dr. Jerry Bell
Superintendent

PEORIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
ACTION ITEM

July 1, 2026

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION DESIGNATING DEPOSITORIES

Proposed Action:

That the following resolution designating depositories be approved.

DEPOSITORIES

WHEREAS, the Treasurer of this Board has requested that this Board designate a bank or banks or other depository in which all of the funds and monies in the custody of such Treasurer may be kept, as provided by law, and

WHEREAS, Commerce Bank, PNC Bank, Chase Bank, Hickory Point Bank, State Bank of Speer, 1st Midwest Illinois Bank and Trust, Morton Community Bank (Peoria Community Bank, Peoria Heights Community Bank), Associated Bank, Heights Bank, and Busey Bank, upon filing with the Board copies of the last two sworn statements of resources and liabilities which said banks are required to submit to the Auditor of Public Accounts, the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, or to the Comptroller of the Currency.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that each of said institutions is designated by this Board as a bank or depository for Fiscal Year 2027, in which the funds and monies in the custody of the Treasurer of this Board may be deposited; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer of this Board is hereby authorized and directed to deposit all of the funds and monies which may be or come into possession in said banks; and

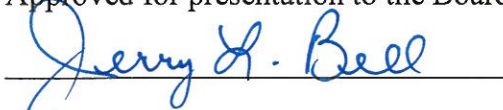
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that each of said institutions so designated as aforesaid as a depository of the funds and monies the Board shall continue as such until a new or another bank or depository is designated in its name, place and stead.

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Mick Willis, Chief Financial Officer

Approved for presentation to the Board of Education:



Dr. Jerry Bell
Superintendent

PEORIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
ACTION ITEM

July 1, 2026

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

SUBJECT: TREASURER'S BOND

Proposed Action:

TREASURER'S BOND

That the following Resolution be approved providing for a \$15,000,000 Treasurer's Bond:

WHEREAS, the maximum amount of all monies received into the hands or control of the Treasurer of this Board is anticipated to Two Hundred Millions Dollars (\$200,000,000), and it is estimated that the largest amount that will be in the hands or control of the Treasurer at any one time is Sixty Million (\$60,000,000). Section 8-2 of the Illinois School Code requires a school district to carry a bond of 25% of the maximum amount of funds held at any one time.

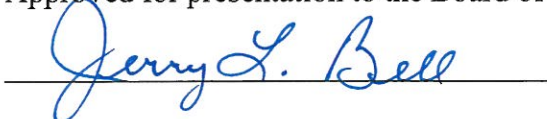
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the amount of the bond of such Treasurer for the ensuing one year (July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027) be fixed at Fifteen Million Dollars (\$15,000,000), and that the Treasurer furnish a Surety Bond as required by law, such Bond to be purchased at the expense of the Board

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Approved for presentation to the Board of Education:



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Superintendent

PEORIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
ACTION ITEM

July 1, 2026

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

SUBJECT: PREVAILING WAGE RATES

Proposed Action:

That the resolution establishing prevailing wage rates, in compliance with Illinois Statutes, be adopted and that a copy of this resolution be filed with the Secretary of State and the Department of Labor by the Secretary of the Board of Education.

Background:

Under the prevailing wage law, a public body awarding any contract for public work is required annually to adopt a resolution stating its intention to pay the prevailing hourly rates of wages to all laborers, workmen and the mechanics engaged in the construction of streets or public buildings. A copy of this resolution is to be filed with the Secretary of State and the Department of Labor. The attached resolution fulfills the requirement of the Statute.

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Approved for presentation to the Board of Education:



Dr. Jerry Bell
Superintendent

**PEORIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
ACTION ITEM
JULY 1, 2026**

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

SUBJECT: Approval of the Resolution to put Peoria County School Facilities Sales Tax Question on the November Ballot.

PROPOSED ACTION:

That the Board approves the resolution to put the Peoria County School Facilities Sales Tax for 1-cent on the November 2026 election ballot.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Placing the County Schools Facilities Sales Tax (CSFST) referendum question on the November ballot has been previously discussed. The deadline to get the question on the November ballot is August 17, 2026, because the resolutions to put the question on the ballot must be to the Peoria County Election Board by this date.

This referendum is a county-wide effort and will effectively increase the sales tax by ½ cent (certain items not included) to a full penny. Current statutes require that the full 1-cent be requested, instead of the incremental ½-cent (and should the 1-cent measure fail, we would simply retain the ½-cent passed in 2016). The revenue from CSFST can be used for facility maintenance, upgrades, and construction - as well as for school resource officers, and mental health professionals (made possible with recent law changes). The estimated annual increase in sales tax revenue is approximately \$5.3 million for our district (and it would bring our total revenue from this source to an estimated \$10.6 million).

The money raised through the CSFST will help take some of the burden off our property owners because everyone who shops in Peoria County will be helping to pay for our buildings and other services.

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Approved for presentation
To the Board of Education:

Jerry Bell

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Superintendent