

MONROE SCHOOL DISTRICT #70
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 2022
SUPERINTENDENTS OFFICE

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Reiley called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM

ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. Chitwood, Mrs. Martin, Mr. MuMullin, Mr. Pilgrim, Mr. Smith

Absent: Mr. Karmenzind, Mr. Lykins

Others: Dr. Reiley, Mrs. Kleist, Ms. Johnson

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

The Board member listing was updated with the correct names.

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE REQUESTS FOR PRESENTATION

None.

ACTION ITEMS

A. Regular Meeting Minutes, December 13, 2021

B. Closed Meeting Minutes, December 13, 2021

C. Monthly Treasurer's Report

D. Payment of Bills

Motion to Approve Action Items A-D.

Motion: Chitwood

Second: Smith

Roll Call: 5 ayes

Motion to Approve Action Item E, SEAPCO Hiring Survey

Motion: Martin

Second: McMullin

Roll Call: 5 ayes

Motion to Approve Action Item F, Design Work for Hot Water Boiler System Upgrade

Motion: McMullin

Second: Pilgrim

Roll Call: 5 ayes

Motion to Approve Action Item G, TRS Supplemental Savings Plan

Motion: Smith

Second: Chitwood

Roll Call: 5 ayes

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

Grant Updates – Esser III grant was approved. Expenses can be used until 2024. Maintenance grant of \$50,000 was approved. We are looking to replace some doors and all locks. We will be replacing the boiler, estimated cost of about \$160,000. Also looking at options for a circle drive/parking in the back.

Summer Projects – Projects include restroom remodeling, and epoxy flooring. The building & grounds committee will meet to discuss these options. The maintenance grant is good for 2 years.

2nd Shift Custodian – This position will be vacant as of February 2nd. We have a couple of applicants. Dr. Reiley will start interviews next week.

COVID Update – There are several local districts involved in lawsuits that are fighting the mask mandate and quarantine regulations. If the ruling is in favor of the school districts, there could be optional masking. There will be more discussions as this moves forward.

Board Goals – Staff reviewed the Mission statement. There will be a staff meeting next week to discuss goal #1 and then move forward with the remaining goals.

Negotiations – We will begin spring negotiations for the contract. Dr. Reiley reviewed the sheet with collective bargaining information. There will be 2 Board members on the negotiations committee.

ELA Curriculum – The teachers are split between 2 choices. One choice is \$56,000/ 3 years. The other choice with HMH will be coming soon. HMH is the same company as our Math series. There are advantages to keeping the same company for both ELA & Math.

Monthly Reports - The Board reviewed the following reports:

1. Budget Summary
2. On-Line Activity Funds Report
3. Activity Fund Report
4. Revolving Fund Report
5. Enrollment Report

There was no Superintendent's Report this month.

The Board did not enter into Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn

Time: 7:55 PM

Motion: Pilgrim

Second: Martin

Voice Vote: all ayes

President

Date

Secretary

Date