

MONROE SCHOOL DISTRICT #70
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2019
SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. Chitwood, Mrs. Fitch, Mr. Karmenzind, Mr. Lykins, Mr. McMullin, Mr. Pilgrim

Absent: Mr. Martin

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

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

None.

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE REQUESTS FOR PRESENTATION

Mrs. Williams' 5th grade enrichment class gave a presentation on Global Read Aloud. Classrooms all over the world read the same book and connect via social media, email, and mail to discuss and share thoughts.

ACTION ITEMS

A. Regular Meeting Minutes, September 23, 2019

B. Monthly Treasurer's Report

C. Payment of Bills

Motion to Approve Action Items A-C.

Motion: Karmenzind

Second: Lykins

Roll Call: 6 ayes

Motion to Approve Action Item D, Approval of FY 19 Audit

Motion: Fitch

Second: Lykins

Roll Call: 6 ayes

Motion to Approve Action Item E, Approval of Bullying Policy 7:180

Motion: Karmenzind

Second: Chitwood

Roll Call: 6 ayes

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

School Data / RtI Review – Mrs. Kleist explained the results of the Math & reading scores. Overall our scores were very good given the influx of new students at the beginning of the year. This year we will continue to focus on Math & Reading again. The number of IEP students has increased and the time allotted for the intervention groups will help.

2019 School Report Card / Designation – The school report cards will be released at the end of October. Once they are released, we are able to compare Monroe's scores with other area districts. Monroe has again received a rating of 2, or a commendable rating.

School Maintenance Grant – This grant is a matching grant of up to \$50,000. Our highest priority right now is Life Safety, specifically a new roof within 3-5 years. Dr. Reiley will apply for this grant and update the Board with the details.

CD/Investment Options - Dr. Reiley provided bank comparisons with the rates we currently have. Our CD has expired and we will be renewing. The Board plans to hold a special meeting to discuss the rates and CD renewal.

Bonding Options – Dr. Reiley enclosed the bonding options for the gymnasium project. Those options include: 1). Working Cash transfer, 2). Interest from the CD that matured, 3). Sales Tax funds, 4). Replacement Tax funds, 5). Evidence Based Funds.

Gymnasium Update – All submitted bids were over budget. The lowest bidder was Peoria Metro. Dr. Reiley is hoping to hear from Peoria Metro regarding a couple of code changes. The Board will need review their next steps and have a special meeting if they plan to move forward with this project.

Transportation Review – Our special education transportation costs are projected to be much higher this year. Dr. Reiley informed the Board of a \$44,000 grant to be used for special education costs. Options for using this grant include improvements for handicap restrooms and purchasing a van to transport special education students. The Board will continue to discuss.

Monthly Reports – The Board reviewed the following reports:

- a. Budget Summary Report
- b. On-Line Activity Funds Report
- c. Activity Fund Report
- d. Revolving Fund Report
- e. Enrollment Report
- f. Curriculum Report

Superintendent’s Report - Mrs. Kleist will be hosting an articulation meeting at Monroe on October 31st.

CLOSED SESSION –Dr. Reiley asked for a motion in Open Session to move to closed Session for the purpose of discussing litigation, staff grievance, student discipline, Board self- evaluation, negotiations, and the appointment, employment, or dismissal of an employee or officer. He stated that **NO FORMAL ACTION MAY BE TAKEN** on any of these matters until the Board returns to Open Session.

Time: 9:06 PM.

Motion: Karmenzind

Second: Fitch

Roll Call: 6 ayes

The Board returned to Open Session at 9:30 PM.

ACTION ITEMS RESULTING FROM CLOSED SESSION

Motion to Approve Alex Furniss as assistant boys’ basketball coach.

Motion: Pilgrim

Second: Lykins

Roll Call: 6 ayes

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn.

Time: 9:32 PM

Motion: Lykins

Second: Karmenzind

Voice Vote: All ayes

President

Date

Secretary

Date