

MONROE SCHOOL DISTRICT #70
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2016
SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

CALL TO ORDER

President Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. Anderson, Mr. Franklin, Mr. Karmenzind, Mr. Powell, Mrs. Westerdahl

Absent: Mr. Duncan, Mr. Kauffman

Others: Mr. Reiley, Mrs. Kleist

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

None.

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE REQUESTS FOR PRESENTATION

Kevin Tom and Kendall Tom were present to observe the meeting for earning a Cub Scout badge.

ACTION ITEMS

- A. Regular Meeting Minutes, November 14, 2016
- B. Closed Session Meeting Minutes, November 14, 2016
- C. Monthly Treasurer's Report
- D. Payment of Bills
 - Motion: Westerdahl
 - Second: Powell
 - Roll Call: 5 ayes

Motion to Approve Action Item E, Finance Committee Minutes

Motion: Karmenzind

Second: Westerdahl

Roll Call: 5 ayes

Motion to Approve Action Item F, 2016 Tax Levy

Motion: Westerdahl

Second: Franklin

Roll Call: 5 ayes

Motion to Approve Action Item G, Risk Management Plan

Motion: Powell

Second: Karmenzind

Roll Call: 5 ayes

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

School Facilities Sales Tax – Mr. Reiley spoke about the ROE sales tax meeting last Friday. The sales tax will begin in July of 2017. There will be a three month time lag for receipt of the funds. Monroe is looking at the possibility of a partial abatement of the bonds for next year.

ECE/Bright Futures – Monroe is still looking at the specifics of the program. A commitment would need to be made in January. If we are not able to secure grants, we can back out of the program.

Board Conference – Four individuals shared highlights of the sessions they attended:

Mrs. Kleist: Focus on technology aspect. Not a lot of info came from the session, as there was not enough data from others to compare.

Mr. Karmenzind: Focus on facility and technology and partnering with the Better Business Bureau. Getting to know them and what they are looking for in a workforce.

Mr. Anderson: Focus on effective meetings. It was good to see that Monroe is doing what is expected of us as a Board.

Mr. Reiley: Spoke about a Bill that is being discussed that will pay equally to all districts.

Health Life Safety Report – Monroe scored well, although we were cited for a few small violations that will be easily resolved.

School Safety – Staff did a great job of addressing the role players. It was suggested that we change to two codes rather than four. We will be looking into electronic communication systems for speed and accuracy. In January, Mr. Reiley will share a video of how to notice little things that might be indicators.

School Registration Fees – Mr. Reiley informed the Board of the unpaid student registration fees. Currently there are 58 students whose fees have not been paid. Prior notices have been sent out to inform parents of the fees due.

Monthly Reports - The Board reviewed the following reports:

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

Superintendent's Report – Maintenance item: when the downspout behind the kitchen drains, the water turns to ice. Suggestion was made to move the downspout.

Student issue: Text messages are being sent to several students' phones. The messages could not be traced. Mr. Reiley contacted the police and parents regarding the messages.

CLOSED SESSION – Mr. Anderson 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 started that **NO FORMAL ACTION MAY BE TAKEN** on any of these matters until the Board returns to Open Session.

Time: 7:21 PM.

Motion: Franklin

Second: Powell

Roll Call: 5 ayes

The Board returned to Open Session at 7:51 PM.

There were no Action Items resulting from Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn.

Time: 7:58 PM

Motion: Powell

Second: Westerdahl

Voice Vote: All Ayes

President

Date

Secretary

Date