

MONROE SCHOOL DISTRICT #70
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING AGENDA
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2019
SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

**Agenda for public hearing concerning the intent of the Board of Education
to sell \$876,000 working cash fund bonds**

Call to Order

Dr. Reiley called the meeting to order at 6:32 P.M.

Roll Call

Present: Mr. Chitwood, Mrs. Fitch, Mr. Karmenzind, Mr. Lykins, Mr. Martin

Absent: Mr. Powell

Others: Dr. Reiley, Mrs. Kleist

Discussion of working cash fund bonds

Dr. Reiley highlighted pertinent information regarding the bonds. He covered the documents that were given to Board members.

Open Forum

No audience members were present for the Budget Hearing.

Adjournment of Public Hearing

Dr. Reiley called for a motion to adjourn the public hearing.

Motion: Karmenzind

Second: Martin

Voice Vote: All ayes

AGENDA FOR REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Reiley called the meeting to order at 6:35 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. Chitwood, Mrs. Fitch, Mr. Karmenzind, Mr. Lykins, Mr. Martin

Absent: Mr. Powell

Others: Dr. Reiley, Mrs. Kleist

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

None.

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE REQUESTS FOR PRESENTATION

8th Grade students presented projects on the Holocaust.

ACTION ITEMS

A. Regular Meeting Minutes, January 14, 2019

B. Monthly Treasurer's Report

C. Payment of Bills

Motion to Approve Action Items A-C.

Motion: Fitch

Second: Lykins

Roll Call: 5 ayes

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

End of Year Calendar Adjustment – The calendar was adjusted for the four snow days. Graduation for 8th grade will remain the same, May 22nd.

Gymnasium Update – Dr. Reiley discussed ESG estimates. Morton Building's estimate increased considerably. Dr. Reiley discussed adjustments that could be made to save money. We have reached out to Blunier Builders for a Morton style building estimate. Dr. Reiley went over the Blunier rough estimate. Dr. Reiley also discussed additional bids needed for the gym and other items. Mr. Lykins asked for clarification on the mezzanine and Dr. Reiley explained.

Banking Comparison – Dr. Reiley outlined current CD's with Busey Bank and rate of returns. Dr. Reiley outlined Morton Community Bank's proposal for operating funds and investment funds. Interest earned is more with MCB. If we raise our CD amount to maximize revenue, our savings balance will decrease.

Jr. High Wing Upgrades – Dr. Reiley will work to get one more hallway and one more restroom quote. He discussed luxury vinyl as opposed to carpet tiles.

Teaching Sections for 19-20 – We currently have one class section for 2nd and 3rd. Need to decide what to do with a 3rd grade teacher next year. One option: have Mrs. Ragon would teach one set 2nd grade, Mrs. Hiatt and Mrs. Pilgrim would be departmentalized; only one section of 2nd grade will be departmentalized. Art will remain the same.

Residency Verification – Dr. Reiley stated all feeder schools, except Hollis, and LCHS are on board. Information will be updated as we move closer to the beginning of the new school year. LCHS is planning to set spring break at same time each year. Legislation is moving forward for a five hour school day with possibility of at home learning for snow days.

End of Year Incentive Criteria – Dr. Reiley explained that absences and tardies, along with balances are adding up. Letters will be mailed for past due balances. Mrs. Kleist has sent quarterly letters to the parents as well. Dr. Reiley will be approving field trip letters.

Seapco Updates – Dr. Reiley indicated that for the 2019-2020 year, there will be 11- 12 new students with IEP's and 6-7 students with speech IEP's. He will be meeting with the social worker and checking with Mrs. Still to determine the case loads. We may have to hire additional social work next year. Dr. Reiley would like to move to small group teaching from 1 on 1 or 2 teaching – making baby steps in this process.

Board Vacancy – Dave McMullen was present to observe the meeting and is interested in the Board vacancy.

Monthly Reports – The Board reviewed the following reports:

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

