

MONROE SCHOOL DISTRICT #70
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2017
SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE
6:30 PM

AGENDA FOR REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Mr. Duncan

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

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

None.

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE REQUESTS FOR PRESENTATION

Mrs. Kleist presented data showing improved student performance from winter MAP testing. Growth rates were seen across all levels. Tier 3 students tend to be new move-ins and transfers. Reading scores were slightly better than the Math scores.

ACTION ITEMS

A. Regular Meeting Minutes, January 9, 2017

B. Monthly Treasurer's Report

C. Payment of Bills

Motion to Approve Action Items A-C.

Motion: Franklin

Second: Westerdahl

Roll Call: 6 ayes

Motion to Approve Action Item D, Chromebook Purchase

Motion: Kauffman

Second: Karmenzind

Roll Call: 6 ayes

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

17-18 School Calendar – A rough draft was included in the packet. It aligns with the LCHS calendar. The biggest change will be the format of the parent/teacher conferences in the fall. To accommodate parents, Monroe will have two conference evenings with a non-attendance day on Friday.

Transportation Bid – The bus contract expires this year. A pre-bid meeting was held last week. Bids will be opened on March 1st. Monroe partners with LCHS to share buses. We are looking to have the districts billed separately for fuel usage. Dr. Reiley will keep the Board updated at the March meeting.

Building and Grounds Meeting Update – The Committee met on January 11th. The priority list includes upgrading the K-4 classrooms, Jr. High restrooms, exterior concrete ledges, and upgrading

the music room. Upgrades to the gym were discussed. This included seating capacity, updating the locker rooms, and expansion options.

Summer Maintenance – Monroe will be looking to upgrade the K-1 classrooms with new carpet. Bids were received for sound proofing the music room. Sound panels are approximately \$4,000. Depending on the location of the room, the cost may be \$8,000 - \$9,000. More information is needed.

School Waiver - The School Waiver expires in 2018. The waiver allows full time employees to have their children attend Monroe tuition free. It also allows the school to claim general state aid for the students. Dr. Reiley will submit the paperwork to renew the waiver.

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 –

- Letters were sent to parents who have not paid their 2016-2017 school registration fees.
- Board elections will be on the spring ballot. Four seats will be open. One individual submitted paperwork for being listed on the ballot. Another person showed interest as a write-in candidate. One Board member expressed interest for a possible appointment of a seat.
- Monroe will be reviewing curriculum plans for next year. Go Math expires and staff members have indicated the desire to renew.
- Language Arts curriculum developed last year is working well.
- New Chromebooks will be purchased for 2nd grade with grant funds. IPADs that are currently being used will be moved to grades K-1.
- Reading Street purchase still has more PD days to be used.
- Plans will be made for a Family Science night again next year.

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 stated that **NO FORMAL ACTION MAY BE TAKEN** on any of these matters until the Board returns to Open Session.

Time: 7:00 PM.

Motion: Franklin

Second: Powell

Roll Call: 6 ayes

The Board returned to Open Session at 7:09 PM.

ACTION ITEMS RESULTING FROM CLOSED SESSION

Motion to approve the employment of Holly Still as special education teacher.

Motion: Karmenzind

Second: Westerdahl

Roll Call: 6 ayes

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn.

Time: 7:10 PM

Motion: Karmenzind

Second: Franklin

Voice Vote: All Ayes

President

Date

Secretary

Date