

MONROE SCHOOL DISTRICT #70
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2020
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. Martin, Mr. McMullin, Mr. Pilgrim

Absent: None

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

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

None.

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE REQUESTS FOR PRESENTATION

Mrs. Still, Mr. Linsley, Mrs. Barnhart, Mrs. Pilgrim, Mrs. Sloneker, and Mrs. Webb were present to observe the meeting. Ms. Piper was present to discuss Closed Session, Action Item 2.

Mrs. Sloneker's 7th grade class gave presentations on making movie trailers based on a book that was read in class. The students used the WeVideo program for green screens, to film scripts, and for editing the movies.

ACTION ITEMS

A. Regular Meeting Minutes, February 10, 2020

B. Closed Meeting Minutes, February 10, 2020

C. Monthly Treasurer's Report

D. Payment of Bills

Motion to Approve Action Items A-D.

Motion: Karmenzind

Second: Martin

Roll Call: 7 ayes

Motion to Approve Action Item E, Overnight Field Trip

Motion: Lykins

Second: Pilgrim

Roll Call: 7 ayes

Motion to Approve Action Item F, Seniority Lists

Motion: Fitch

Second: Karmenzind

Roll Call: 7 ayes

Motion to Approve Action Item G, School Calendar 2020-2021

Motion: McMullin

Second: Karmenzind

Roll Call: 7 ayes

Motion to Approve Action Item H, Three Year Transportation Contract

Motion: Fitch

Second: Lykins

Roll Call: 7 ayes

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

Fiber Internet Connection - We are looking at receiving Federal Funds for Fiber Optic internet. We were approved for a 5 year commitment with AT & T. Monthly expense is free for the 5 years. Potential savings would be \$3,000 per year.

State Assessment Update – Monroe will begin testing after Spring Break.

Economic Interest Statement – Dr. Reiley reminded Board members to file their statements online before May1, 2020 to avoid any fees.

STEAM Lab – Dr. Reiley presented Board members with a sheet of questions, concerns, and thoughts that teachers have about the STEAM Lab. Dr. Reiley and Mrs. Kleist met with teachers to review the process and define some of the expectations. We will continue the discussion on the STEAM Lab and make sure everyone has an understanding of what downsizing the library means.

School Maintenance Grant / Roof Renovation - We are able to use health life safety funds for roof repairs. We are in stage 2, looking to receive grant funds of \$50,000 for repairs.

Peoria County Health Department – Dr. Reiley has a meeting with the Health Department to determine the most viable option as the virus continues to spread. He will keep the Board updated.

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

There was no Superintendent's Report this month.

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: 8:28 PM.

Motion: Karmenzind

Second: Pilgrim

Roll Call: 7 ayes

The Board returned to Open Session at 9:32 PM.

ACTION ITEMS RESULTING FROM CLOSED SESSION

Motion to Approve the hiring of Darby Brenkman as first grade teacher

Motion: Fitch

Second: Martin

Roll Call: 7 ayes

Motion to take Action required to resolve or mitigate litigation risk

Motion: Karmenzind

Second: Lykins

Roll Call: 7 ayes

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn.

Time: 9:34 PM

Motion: Fitch

Second: Pilgrim

Voice Vote: All ayes

President Date

Secretary Date