

MONROE SCHOOL DISTRICT #70
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, MARCH 14, 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. Kauffman, Mr. Karmenzind, Mrs. Westerdahl

Absent: Mr. Duncan, Mr. Powell

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

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

None.

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE REQUESTS FOR PRESENTATION

None.

ACTION ITEMS

- A. Regular Meeting Minutes, February 8, 2016
- B. Closed Meeting Minutes, February 8, 2016
- C. Monthly Treasurer's Report
- D. Payment of Bills

Motion to Approve Action Items A-D.

Motion: Kauffman

Second: Franklin

Roll Call: 5 ayes

Motion to Approve Action Item E, Overnight Field Trip May 19 and 20

Motion: Kauffman

Second: Franklin

Roll Call: 5 ayes

Mrs. Brake entered the meeting at 6:36 PM.

Motion to Approve Action Item F, 2016-2017 School Calendar

Motion: Karmenzind

Second: Westerdahl

Roll Call: 5 ayes

Motion to Approve Action Item G, Seniority Lists

Motion: Franklin

Second: Karmenzind

Roll Call: 5 ayes

Motion to Approve Action Item H, TIF Agreement

Motion: Franklin

Second: Westerdahl

Roll Call: 5 ayes

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

Summer Maintenance – Mr. Reiley will be receiving bids for hallway carpeting, painting, and restroom updates. Ms. Kolowski is getting bids for updates in the kitchen. Mr. Reiley anticipates discussing the bids at

the April meeting. At the May meeting decisions will be made as to which projects will actually take place this summer.

Anticipated Tax Rates – Mr. Reiley reviewed the anticipated rates with the Board. Some rates may not include bond rates. Monroe currently ranks 4th in the LAA and 6th in Peoria County.

1:1 Site Visit – Mrs. Kleist and Mr. Reiley went for a site visit to the Havana School District. They listened to the process that Havana went through and got several helpful ideas for making decisions on how to best use technology at Monroe. Plans are to have a core mission using technology for reading and math. We would like to purchase more chromebooks for use in classrooms to have a 1:1 ratio. The Tech Committee will meet to discuss options and how to best proceed.

21st Century Classrooms – Diagrams were presented to show a sample layout utilizing new furniture equipment for a Jr. High LA classroom. These diagrams would support a collaborative learning environment.

Monthly Reports – The Board reviewed the following reports:

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

Superintendent’s Report – Board members discussed the possibility of a Technology fee. Mr. Reiley will gather information from other districts to compare which ones charge technology fees and how much they charge. Questions were asked if all students would be required to pay a fee (including free/reduced) and whether the school fee would be combined with the technology fee.

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: 7:15 PM.
Motion: Karmenzind
Second: Franklin
Roll Call: 5 ayes

The Board returned to Open Session at 7:37 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn.

Time: 7:38 PM
Motion: Franklin
Second: Karmenzind
Voice Vote: All Ayes

President Date

Secretary Date