

**MONROE SCHOOL DISTRICT #70**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES**  
**MONDAY, MARCH 8, 2021**  
**SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE**

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Reiley called the meeting to order at 7:33 PM.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. Chitwood, Mr. Karmenzind, Mr. Lykins, Mr. Martin, Mr. McMullin, Mr. Pilgrim

Absent: Mrs. Fitch

Others: Dr. Reiley, Ms. Johnson

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

None.

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE REQUESTS FOR PRESENTATION

Mrs. Linsley and Mrs. Freehill were present to observe the meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

A. Regular Meeting Minutes, February 8, 2021

B. Monthly Treasurer's Report

C. Payment of Bills

Motion to Approve Action Items A-C.

Motion: McMullin

Second: Karmenzind

Roll Call: 6 ayes

Motion to Approve Action Item D, Wellness Policy

Motion: Lykins

Second: Pilgrim

Roll Call: 6 ayes

Motion to Approve Action Item, E Service Agreement with Quality Network Solutions

Motion: Martin

Second: Chitwood

Roll Call: 6 ayes

Motion to Approve Action Item F, Seniority Lists

Motion: Karmenzind

Second: McMullin

Roll Call: 6 ayes

Motion to Approve Action item G, Board Policies

3:40,4:10,4:55,4:80,4:90,4:150,4:175,5:30,5:190,5:270,6:15,6:20,6:40,6:280,6:315,  
6:340,7:100,7:140,7:300,7:325,2:260,2:265,5:10,5:100,5:200,5:220,7:10,7:180,7:185

Motion: Karmenzind

Second: Lykins

Roll Call: 6 ayes

Motion to Approve Action Item H, Approval of Board Policy 7:20 – Harassment of Students Prohibited

Motion: McMullin

Second: Martin  
Roll Call: 6 ayes

### DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

State Assessment Update – This year Monroe is planning to have students take the Illinois assessment tests in April. The tests for Math and Reading are given to grades 3-8. Science tests are given to grades 5-8. There were no assessments given in 2020.

Economic Interest Statement – Dr. Reiley reminded Board members to file their Economic Interest Statements if they haven't done so already.

Gymnasium Update – The exterior railing for the concrete ramp has been installed. They will be enclosing the area with fencing and seeding the ground in the few weeks. The duct work will be finished during the week of spring break. The total cost was approximately 1.8 M. Extra unplanned purchases include benches for the locker rooms and tables in the common area. Those totaled \$4,000.

Roof Renovation – Roof renovations will take place in late May after school is out for summer. The area will include the main part of the building indicated as section “B” on the map. A portion of section “C” will also be done, this includes the music room. The additional cost for the music room area is estimated to be \$10,000 - \$12,000.

Grant Expenditures – With the second round of the ESSA grant, we are to receive \$112,000 over 2-3 years. If we continue with remote learning in the next school year, we will look at using funds to pay independent teachers or a specific company for the remote learning. We are also considering curriculum contracts and programs, purchase of more chrome books and Go Guardian for monitoring websites.

Spring 21 Calendar – We recently made modifications for the remainder of the year. We removed several remote learning days. Field trips are being scheduled for outdoor only trips on remote learning days. Remote learning days for the next school year will look different.

21-22 School Calendar – The school year will start 8/16/2021 with two teacher institute days. We tried to align our calendar with the LCHS calendar as much as possible. There will be less 11:05 dismissal days. The parent/teacher conference days are similar to last year. Overall this calendar will be similar as the previous year's calendar.

AMPT Expenditures / Learning Space – Dr. Reiley met with staff and asked for their suggestions. Several staff members mentioned they would be interested in using outdoor learning spaces and options with tables, pavilions, picnic tables / shade options. Dr. Reiley plans to meet again in April to discuss further.

Open Vacancies for 21-22 – The 8<sup>th</sup> grade language arts position is still available. Dr. Reiley indicated that the current student teacher, Ms. Johnson, is a good candidate. He plans to discuss this further with the Board members in April. Monroe will be looking at summer school options this year. This would be a 4 week program. We would try to share busing with Norwood.

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

Superintendent's Report – Updated COVID protocols do not require temperature checks. Monroe will continue with morning checks but will discontinue the lunch checks. We will still be checking temperatures at extracurricular activities. The power outage last week disrupted service with our boilers, the kitchen hood, and freezer. The boilers were reset; the food was moved to Echo Valley's freezer until our freezer was repaired.

The Board did not enter into Closed Session.

### ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn.

Time: 8:56 PM

Motion: Karmenzind

Second: Chitwood

Voice Vote: All ayes

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President                      Date

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Secretary                      Date