

Monroe School District #1J
Regular Board Meeting &
Public Hearing on 2017-18 Budget
Held at Monroe High School
June 12, 2017

The board meeting was called to order by Chair Jennifer Gamache at 6:30 P.M.

Members present: Tony Stroda, Robert Warden, Jennifer Gamache, Tim Warden, Superintendent Randall Crowson and Secretary Christine Manley. Via phone: Nancy Burnett.

Also present: Employee Bill Crowson, and Gazette Times reporter Jim Day.

The meeting moved to executive session as per ORS 192.660(2)(a) to consider the employment of a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, and ORS 192.660(2)(d) to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations.

The meeting returned to open session at 7:00 PM. Chair Gamache called order.

Members present: Tony Stroda, Robert Warden, Jennifer Gamache, Tim Warden, Superintendent Randall Crowson and Secretary Christine Manley. Via phone: Nancy Burnett.

Also present: Employees Bill Crowson, Whitney Connolly, Kerri Hicks, Julie Stroda, Kathi Holvey, Lindi Esplin; Gazette-Times Reporter James Day; Patrons Laura Lillie, Brian Lillie, Sarah Egbert, Trever Stroda, Janece Cook, Tabitha Shepherd, Talon Cherry, Christina Hull, Bre Miller, Audra Terry, Krissy Horning, Abbey Gamache, Amy Piper, and student Josey Stroda.

Chair Gamache opened the Budget Hearing. There was extensive discussion regarding the budget cuts, specifically the music program and alternative ways of funding the program. There were no changes made to the proposed budget.

The minutes of the Special Board Meeting 05/04/17, Regular Board Meeting 05/08/17, Budget Committee Meeting 05/16/17, and Special Board Meeting 05/16/17 were reviewed. Tony Stroda moved to approve the minutes as written. Second: Tim Warden. Motion carried 5/0.

Agenda items were reviewed and the following added:

5. Consent Agenda
 - D. Approve Year End Resolutions:
 4. 1617-013 to Authorize Execution of XI-P Grant Agreement (Seismic Grant)
 - J. Accept letters of resignation:
 - Whitney Connolly, Math Teacher
 - K. Accept May 16, 2017 Election Results
 - L. Approve transfer: Kathy Smith from Office Assistant to Secretary, Grade School

6. Communications

- 6th Annual U.S. Air Force/FIRST Teachers & Mentors, Jim Mulanax
- Vice Provost Award of Excellence

Tony Stroda moved to approve the Consent Agenda with the noted changes. Second: Robert Warden. Motion carried 5/0.

Tony Stroda moved to ratify the 2017-19 Classified Negotiated Agreement and to authorize Nancy Burnett to sign the document on behalf of the District pending the Classified ratification. Second: Tim Warden. Motion carried 5/0.

Communications: The thank you letters were reviewed. A letter from student Brady Goracke was read. It was nicely written and apparent that a lot of effort went into the letter. It was announced that Jim Mulanax has been chosen to attend the 6th Annual U.S. Air Force FIRST Leadership Experience for FIRST Teachers and Mentors. Congratulations! The 2017 Vice Provost Award of Excellence from OSU Extension Service for the Thinker Tinker Trailer (College of Business Mobile Makerspace) was reviewed and discussed. The high school would like to continue this program.

Service pins were awarded to Robert Warden (10 years) and Tony Stroda (20 years). Thank you both for your many years of public service. Retiring Board Member Robert Warden was presented with a plaque honoring his years of service.

There were no reports from the City of Monroe or the Parent Group. There was no additional Public Input.

Audra Terry and Krissy Horning presented a request from Monroe Cheer Club. This past year there were 16 middle school and high school students who participated in the program. They thanked the Board for their support. They are asking the Board to endorse the Club as a school sponsored club or activity. However, they will still pay for the insurance through fund raising. They plan to attend training but will pay for it themselves. They also understand that transporting students in private cars would not be allowed, however they do not attend away games. They emphasized that they do not want to be classified as a sport, this is strictly a club or activity. Robert Warden moved to approve the Monroe Cheer Club as a school sponsored club. Second: Tim Warden. Motion carried 5/0.

Enrollment K-12 was reported as 436 at the end of May.

Randall Crowson reviewed the administrative update including:

- Solar Eclipse 2017: Monroe will be at the 99% totality mark. Is the Board interested in renting out space to tourists? Because of the construction on both campuses this summer, the Board felt it best to not open district property for this event.

- The projected ending fund balance is \$231,438. He again stressed not to spend the money from the sale of Alpine School.
- The student teacher listing for next year was reviewed.
- The current cafeteria meal cost is \$3.18 per meal. Next year each site will run their own program. Peanut butter and jelly and a cheese stick or Quesadilla will be an option for those students who don't like the entree but who want to eat.
- The old boilers at the grade school and high schools will be removed and salvaged this summer.

Board Chair called for final input on the 2017-18 budget. There was none. The Board reviewed Resolutions 1617-007 through 1617-009 to adopt the 2017-18 budget as proposed and impose taxes. Tony Stroda moved to approve the resolutions as presented. Second: Robert Warden. Motion carried 5/0.

Regulations GBA-AR Veterans' Preference and all Wellness policies and administrative regulations were reviewed during the second reading. Tony Stroda moved to approve as presented. Second: Tim Warden. Motion carried 5/0.

The Board reviewed editorial changes to the TAG handbook. Next year, the handbook will be redeveloped for implementation in the 2018-19 school year. Tim Warden moved to approve the changes as presented. Second: Bob Warden. Motion carried 5/0.

Position Descriptions for the Food Service Staff, High School Athletic Facilities Coordinator, Technology Assistant, and Special Education Coordinator were reviewed. Robert Warden moved to approve as presented. Second: Tony Stroda. Motion carried 5/0.

Chair Gamache adjourned the meeting at 9:05 PM.

Jennifer Gamache, Chair

Christine Manley, Secretary