

Monroe School District #1J
Regular Board Meeting
Held at Monroe High School
November 13, 2017

The board meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Warden at 6:30 P.M.

Members present: Tim Warden, Tony Stroda, Bre Miller, Lauren Wolfe, Superintendent Bill Crowson, Secretary Christine Manley, and Student Council Representative Zack Esplin.

Absent: Nancy Burnett.

Also present: Employees Tim Johnson, Kathi Holvey, Jill Moore, Hilary Irwin, Lindi Esplin; Monroe City Councilors Paul Canter, Floyd Billings; Architect Curt Wilson; and patrons Lorin Hull, Brian Lillie, Abbey Gamache.

After review, Bre Miller moved to approve the minutes of the October 9, 2017 board meeting as written. Second: Tony Stroda. Motion carried 4/0.

The Agenda was reviewed. The Notice of Supplemental Budget Hearing was distributed for the Special Board Meeting on November 16, 2017.

The bills were reviewed and discussed. The Board requested clarification on the LBCC and LBL-ESD payments for tuition. The Board also requested adding building/campus to the Bond and Seismic spreadsheet. There is a total per project, but requested a "Total" spent line of the Bond money and a "Total" spent line for the Seismic money.

The listing of new hires was reviewed.

The Board accepted the donation of a 1962 Chevrolet C30 pickup from Bob Wilson to the Shop program.

The listing of volunteer coaches was reviewed.

Tony Stroda moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Second: Bre Miller. Motion carried 4/0.

The thank you letters to George & Irene Daugherty, Monroe Telephone, Radius Pipe Bending, Dustin & Sara Ballard, Deborah Dixon & Steve Hamblen, Marcel & AnneMarie Marchon, Maryann Bagby, Monroe High School Alumni Association, Fairwood Construction were reviewed. Thank you also to Tim Warden and the high school football team. All helped with the completion and/or installation of the new high school signs. The signs were constructed by the high school shop students.

Curt Wilson from Pivot Architecture presented an overview of the possible construction projects and how he and his team will create a Master Plan for the Board to review. He has talked with staff and administration to gather their concerns and ideas. He recommends the Board write a Project Vision

Statement to outline the priorities. Early in 2018 he would like to host a Community Open House. In February or early March 2018 bids should go out for projects. The seismic grant for the Monroe School District #1J
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high school campus will be submitted when projects are identified. The grant award is now 2.5 million, up from 1.5 million.

City Councilor Billings distributed the City Hall Happenings newsletter. He asked if there had been any further discussion on the grade school well. There is no update.

City Councilor Canter reported that at the Tri-County Chamber of Commerce Banquet Dixie Floyd was honored as a Distinguished Teacher and Rebecca Ballard as a Distinguished Student. Rebecca Ballard commented to the Councilor that she would like to be the Student Council representative to the City Council.

Councilor Canter commented that it would be feasible to extend 6th Street through to the grade school to make a safe route for students. It could be one-way only for student drop off and pick up and also allow easy access for emergency vehicles. Mr. Wilson said he would add that to the Master Plan for discussion.

The City of Monroe will hold a public workshop to work on their Comprehensive Plan Saturday, November 18 from 1-3:30 PM at the Monroe American Legion Hall.

Lorin Hull reported on Parent Group activities. So far, they have deposited \$18,000 from the Jog-a-thon and expect another \$2,100. They estimate 57% of the students raised some amount of money. The Halloween Carnival hosted over 300 attendees and was \$1,100 under budget. They approved requests for trips to the OSU basketball games, school store supplies, and playground equipment. Elections have been postponed until December.

Zack Esplin reported that Homecoming activities including Spirit Week, the Dance and football game all went well.

Enrollment: 423 grades K-12.

Kathi Holvey reported that parent-teacher conferences were held last week. Approximately 98% of parents attended. They are currently working on Thanksgiving boxes. Staff needs to prep for the upcoming student/staff volleyball game. Tony Stroda asked if staff was comfortable with the heating system. Mrs. Holvey explained that each classroom is set at the temperature the teacher wants then a protective case was placed over the thermostat.

Board members specifically requested the high school principal attend at least one board meeting per quarter. They would like to see him next month.

Mr. Crowson's administrative report included the following:

- Conferences were held last week.
- The Drama Play will be held this Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.
- The volleyball team came in 6th in the State. Congratulations.

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- The football team plays in the semi-finals this Saturday at Central High School vs. Knappa at 2:00 PM.
- Winter sports started today (basketball and wrestling).
- The heat in the gym is doing well. The ventilation in the locker rooms is being repaired.

There was brief discussion about the tennis courts and cost to refurbish them.

Mrs. Holvey explained that the 6th grade students attend Forrest Camp each year and this year the Advisor will be Scott Boyer. This program requires approximately 41 additional hours and an overnight stay. Other districts provide a stipend between \$600 - \$1,600 depending on enrollment. She is requesting a stipend for our Advisor. The program includes 4-5 different schools. There are also many parent volunteers. Board members agreed that this program provides a very valuable experience for students. Tony Stroda moved to approve a stipend of \$1,000 for the Advisor. Second: Bre Miller. Motion carried 4/0.

Mr. Crowson shared a financial report from Dragon Pride showing that they have spent an average of \$24,000 each year for athletic projects. This is very impressive compared with other districts. Lauren Wolfe commented that the group is always looking for volunteers and participants. Students are welcome to volunteer also. Keith Payne is the President, Jean Wheeler is the Treasurer. They meet the first Monday of each month at 7:30 PM in the high school Commons.

Bre Miller shared that she contacted Pipeline to Jobs and that they did give a presentation to the Junior class last spring. Mr. Crowson commented that there is an annual Career Day held at LBCC that the students attend. There was discussion around a "tradesman" and/or "apprenticeship" Career Day. Zack Esplin commented that these type of careers are not talked about at the Career Days which are all about 4-year colleges. He feels the students would welcome the information.

Lauren Wolfe explained that OSBA offers many free on-line workshops for board members. Many are 30-50 minutes. There are two courses the board could take that she feels is timely, but the cost is \$45 per person, or \$135 for the full board. The courses include how to communicate with patrons in the general public or via email. The second course explains how to perform a superintendent's evaluation. In light of circumstances last year, she feels this would be valuable information for the Board members. There was consensus that all board members, Mr. Crowson and Mrs. Manley take the training. Christine Manley will set it up and contact everyone with course information.

Mr. Crowson presented the request for a Cooperative Sponsorship for Triangle Lake Charter High

School in Boys Basketball (5 athletes) and Wrestling (2 athletes). Based on the positive results for both schools during the football cooperative, he recommends approval. Bre Miller moved to approve the request. Second: Tony Stroda. Motion carried 4/0.

The 2016-17 School and District Report Cards were reviewed.

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Procurement Plan DJC-AR-2 Child Nutrition Program was reviewed and discussed. Lauren Wolfe moved to approve the administrative regulation as written. Second: Tony Stroda. Motion carried 4/0.

The Special Board Meeting & Supplemental Budget Hearing is scheduled for November 16, 2017 at 6:30 PM.

Through consensus, an executive session was scheduled prior to the next board meeting, December 11, 2017 at 5:30 PM in the high school library for Superintendent Performance Review.

The meeting was adjourned by Vice-Chair Warden at 8:16 P.M.

Tim Warden, Board Vice-Chair

Christine Manley, Board Secretary