

Monroe School District #1J
Regular Board Meeting
Held at Monroe High School Library
May 14, 2018

The board meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Warden at 7:00 P.M.

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

Absent: Nancy Burnett, Lauren Wolfe.

Also present: Employees Tim Johnson, Kerri Hicks, Lindi Esplin; Owner's Representative Alan Rutherford; City of Monroe Councilor Floyd Billings; Architect John Stapleton; and patrons Brian Lillie, John Scott, and Lauren Wolfe.

After review, Bre Miller moved to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2018 Regular Board meeting as written. Second: Tony Stroda. Motion carried 3/0.

The Agenda was reviewed and the following items added:

3. L. Accept letter of Resignation: Kelsey Greydanus, Social Studies/Language Arts Teacher grades 6-8
3. M. Approval to hire: Karyn LaCroix, Spanish Teacher grades 7-12

The bills were reviewed and discussed. Mr. Crowson reported that he is still monitoring propane usage at the grade school and will revisit the issue next Fall.

The listing for letters of Intent for Classified Staff for 2018-19 were reviewed.

The letter of Retirement from Kay Smith-Dykstra was read. The Board wishes Kay all the best in retirement. They appreciate her service of 36 years!

The letter of resignation from Board Member Lauren Wolfe was read and a vacancy declared for Zone 1.

The letter of resignation from Norval Meashintubby was read and amended coaching positions for Richard Fielder and Katrina Koroush were reviewed.

The Board reviewed the recommendation to hire Lauren Wolfe as Business Manager. She will begin on or before July 1.

The Board reviewed the recommendation to transfer Amy Thornburg, Math Teacher to the high school and hire Jonathan Howard as Math Teacher grades 6-8.

The Board reviewed the letter of resignation from Kelsey Greydanus.

The Board reviewed the recommendation to hire Karyn LaCroix as Spanish Teacher grades 7-12.

Tony Stroda moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Second: Bre Miller. Motion carried 3/0.

The thank you letter to Linn Gear Co was read.

John Stapleton, Pivot Architecture, presented an overview of the grade school building plans. The plans will focus on safety, traffic/bussing, outdoor learning, and handicapped accessibility. Up to five (5) new classrooms will be added (replaces two modular classrooms). Projects will begin as soon as school is out.

Floyd Billings, Monroe City Councilor mentioned that the 6th Street expansion is a high priority. The City is working on the Safe Routes to School grant.

Zack Esplin reported that the new Student Council Officers have been elected and sworn in. There are only four weeks of school left and sports seasons are wrapping up. Graduation is June 1.

There was no public input.

Enrollment at the end of March was reported as 408 grades K-12. Open enrollment update: three coming in and 15 going out.

Bill Crowson announced the Budget Committee Meeting is scheduled for the following evening at 7:00. The Honor Society Banquet went well. High School graduation is June 1, 8th Grade is June 4.

Board members discussed the work provided by Kokkeler Lawn and Landscape. Board members commented that they are very happy with the work that has been done. Kokkeler maintains both campuses and athletic fields. Tony Stroda moved to approve the 2018-19 contract to Kokkeler. Second: Bre Miller. Motion carried 3/0. Comment was made that the irrigation pump needs to be checked for any needed repairs and to be sure and water the lawns this year.

Tim Warden commented that the water quality from the Heating wells need to be checked and used for irrigation if possible.

There was some discussion of the most efficient way to move the classrooms this summer. Tony Stroda volunteered the use of his forklift.

Two Budget Committee member positions are now open: Zone 1 and Zone 3. Tony Stroda moved to approve Riley Holman as the Zone 3 representative. Second: Bre Miller. Motion carried 3/0. Zone 1 is still open.

Rosie Fuhrmann has requested an additional two days of paid personal leave for a special trip she will be taking. She has offered to pay for a substitute for the two days out of her pay. Bre Miller

moved to approve the request. Second: Tony Stroda. Motion carried 3/0.

The Leave of Absence from Lexi DeVicq was reviewed and discussed. The leave of absence would follow 12 weeks of maternity leave from February through June of 2019. The request was tabled and will be reviewed again at June's meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Vice Chair Warden at 8:25 P.M.

Tim Warden, Board Vice-Chair

Christine Manley, Board Secretary