

Meeting Called to Order at 7:00 P.M. by Chair Tim Warden. Members present: Tim Warden, Bre Miller, Riley Holman, Tyler Sherman, Superintendent Bill Crowson, Secretary Christine Manley, and Student Council Representative Bryce Warden. Member absent: Tony Stroda.

Also present: Employees Steve Martinson, Marie-Louise Martinson, Kathi Holvey, Karyn LaCroix, Kim Geil, Aaron Seifer; Patrons Donnie Vroman, Sarah Fay, Laura Lillie, Jami Vroman, and Brian Lillie.

Chair Warden read the following statements:

The School Board encourages the attendance of citizens at its meetings. When a person wishes to bring a matter to the attention of the Board, it is recommended that the matter first be discussed with the District Superintendent in order that it may be given time on the meeting agenda. This will allow the Superintendent time to gather relative information for the Board so the matter may be given adequate consideration.

Public Comment: The School Board is interested in hearing from the public and will do so at this time on the agenda. The Board requests that patrons limit their comments to three minutes. Please complete a card at the entrance to request to speak and submit to the Board Secretary. When speaking please begin with your name and address for the record. If a response to your concern requires action of the School Board or the gathering of information, it may be placed on a future agenda. Personnel matters may not be discussed in public at a Board meeting. Patrons who have personnel concerns should share them directly with the Superintendent. If you have a complaint you wish the District to address, please follow Board policy KL (public) or GBM (staff). Board policies can be found on our website: www.monroe.k12.or.us

Board Member Bre Miller requested that “Building Principal” be added to the above statement as per Board policy.

Public Comment: Chair Warden called on Laura Lillie. Mrs. Lilley requested that the Board consider extending the grade school classes each day, rather than extending the number of days at the end of the year. The Board thanked her for Mrs. Lillie for her input.

Minutes: After review, Riley Holman moved to approve the minutes of February 11, 2019 and February 19, 2019 as written. Second: Tyler Sherman. Motion carried 4/0.

Consent Agenda: There are no changes to the agenda.

The bills lists were reviewed. Mr. Crowson commented that Mrs. Wolfe is working on the propane and electricity usage analysis. Bre Miller requested that more detail be listed for Travel expense (which grant or program).

The list of licensed and administrative staff to rehire and licensed contracts for 2019-20 was reviewed.

Softball coaching contracts were reviewed: Richard Fielder, Head Coach; Rachel Sherman, Assistant Coach.

The list of volunteer coaches was reviewed.

Bre Miller moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Second: Riley Holman. Motion carried 4/0.

Communications: Bre Miller read a thank you letter to Irene Janice for a cash donation to the Monroe High School Robotics program.

Meet the Teachers:

Ken Elliott has taught high school English and Drama in the District for the past 27 years. They just put on a Talent Show where proceeds go toward the Shakespearean Festival trip. The Drama Club will have a Spring Drama production in May.

Karen LaCroix teaches middle school and high school Spanish and the high school elective Travel and Tourism. This is her first year at Monroe but has taught for 24 years. In the past she has taught math and has a Masters in Special Education.

Aaron Seifer teaches Business, Computers, Economics and Personal Finance. He is also the Student Government Advisor, and Administrative Intern. This is his fifth year at Monroe.

EL Presentation: Marie-Louise Martinson presented an update on the EL Program. Through the EL Program grant, teachers have been trained and are implementing strategies in the classroom for all students. Parent participation was high at the February meeting. Their next parent meeting will be in April. She wants to add cultural events and a soccer team for younger children. Board members suggested she contact Junior Dragons regarding a soccer team. Mrs. Martinson is currently working on the desk monitoring for the program.

Construction Update: Mr. Crowson reported on the following:

- The Engineering and Architectural plans are with Gerding Builders now.
- He has met with some of the high school staff and has walked through the building with the architects and engineers.
- Because of the recent inclement weather two HVAC units have been lost; one at the grade school is under warranty, one at the high school is not under warranty. They are checking with the insurance company.
- Thank you to Tim Warden and Riley Holman for cleaning up downed trees at the grade school. There are also two trees down by the high school track.
- He has had discussions with Modern Building to remove the rented modular building at the grade school.
- Soap dispensers have been installed in the grade school restrooms.

No City of Monroe or Parent Group representatives were present.

Student Council Report: Bryce Warden reported that the Student Council has scheduled a dance for this Friday in the high school commons. The Junior Class is working on scheduling a bottle drive.

Enrollment was reported at 378 grades K-12. Mr. Crowson stated that they are just starting to get a picture of the financial impact of decreased enrollment for next year.

Administration Update:

- Snow days & make up time: Mr. Crowson explained the instructional minute requirement. There are two options for making up class time: 1) add days to the end of the school year; 2) add time to the end of each school day. Only the grade school is short on time. He proposes that time be added to the end of the school day at the grade school as needed. Buses can pick up high school students first and then pick up the grade school students. He will implement the changes after Spring Break. There were no objections from the Board.
- The Dragon Pride Auction raised approximately \$25,000 through community efforts.
- The “Youth Truth” climate surveys for grades 3-8 will be distributed to students, staff, and parents.
- Mr. Crowson is looking at a system through Black Board Connect which will allow administrators and teachers to communicate with parents through email and/or texts. This systems syncs with our Student Information System. It can also be used as an emergency communication system in addition to FlashAlert. Funding is paid through a grant.
- Received a letter from the OSEA Representative who wants to set up three dates to meet for negotiations with the School Board representatives.
- Mrs. Holvey reported that she sent a team to the Battle of the Books in Newberg. She is currently reviewing Social Studies curriculum. All certified staff has been trained in Smarter Balanced assessment, and the classified staff are now being trained. The grade school Talent Show is next week. She has met recently with the Site Council.

Mr. Crowson hopes to have a draft of next year’s calendar at the next meeting.

High School Accreditation: Mr. Crowson announced that Monroe High School has again received Accreditation through North West Accreditation Commission. Monroe High School has been accredited since 1936.

First reading of policy: BDDC-AR Board Meeting agenda was revised to reflect the new meeting format. JECF-Form Application is needed for parent requests. Riley Holman moved to approve as presented. Second: Tyler Sherman. Motion carried 4/0.

Revised policy BDF Policy Implementation and new policy GBI Gifts & Solicitations were reviewed. The second reading will be in April.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

Tim Warden, Board Chair

Christine Manley, Board Secretary