

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

Also present: Employees Beau Sisneros, Armando Martinez, Amy Thornburg, Lauren Wolfe, Dan Wolfe, Kathi Holvey, Tammy Bayliss; Patrons Donnie Vroman, Sarah Fay, Brian and Laura Lillie; Monroe City Administrator Rick Hohnbaum.

Public Comment: None.

Minutes: After review, Riley Holman moved to approve the minutes of March 11, 2019 as written. Second: Tony Stroda. Motion carried 5/0.

Consent Agenda: The following items were added to the agenda:

5. B. Letter from Lory Bechtold

8. D. Criminal History Background checks & related policies and administrative regulations

The bills lists were reviewed and discussed. Mrs. Wolfe explained that all travel expenses are checked by her for accuracy and approved by Mr. Crowson before payment. They are marked as “miscellaneous travel” if there are multiple funding lines. The charges for the propane include the annual tank rental fees. The two small tanks at the high school (cafeteria and science room) will be changed to CoEnergy once the tanks are empty. Mr. Crowson explained that the AVID conference is held in Denver this year. This is a nationwide conference and is grant funded. The expenditure list now includes all activity funds since the school revolving accounts have been merged to the District. Mr. Stroda requested checking with Cintas and try to re-negotiated if prices are rising.

The listing of classified staff to rehire for the 2019-20 school year was reviewed.

The extra curricular contract for Scott Boyer, Forest Camp Coordinator was reviewed. This contract is paid for through grant funds.

Tony Stroda moved to approve the consent agenda as amended. Second: Tyler Sherman. Motion carried 5/0.

Communications: The board read an update from Aaron Seifer. He has completed his administrative program and received a 4.0 GPA throughout.

Chair Warden read a letter from Lory Bechtold. It is nice to hear positive feedback.

Meet the Teachers:

Amy Thornburg teaches Geometry and Algebra II grades 9-12. College Algebra and Trigonometry are articulated with LBCC so students can earn college credit. She did her student teaching at Monroe a few years ago and found she loves the district.

Armando Martinez teaches Algebra and Algebra Foundations grades 9-10. He encourages the students to solve problems in different ways. Prior to teaching, he served in the military for 20 years and commutes from Salem.

Dan Wolfe teaches English I, English IV, Writing 115, Psychology, and Freshman Advisory. He also coaches football, wrestling, and baseball. He loves the district and is happy to be here.

The Board thanked the teachers for coming.

Construction Update: Mr. Crowson reported on the following:

- Work has started on the grade school court yard. After school is out for summer, the propane tanks will need to be moved out of the way of construction.
- Gerding looked at the gutters and agrees that they were not done well. He's waiting for a resolution.
- He is waiting on Gerding and ZCS to get costs in line for the high school campus. Any construction will not start until the Spring of 2020.
- There are serious leaks in the high school gym and commons roof. This is a 30 year old hot tar roof. Cost proposals have come in between \$75,000-\$100,000. The gutters and fascia board also need to be replaced. This is now a high priority.

City of Monroe: Rick Hohnbaum reported that the Council has authorized occupancy for eight new houses. Phase 1 of the Red Hill subdivision is scheduled for 27 houses (55 in total). Habitat for Humanity wants to put in two new houses in Monroe. The City recently replaced the stove and hood in the Legion Hall. Does the school have a need for an eight foot propane stove with four burners and a grill? Please let him know if there is any interest. The City is still working on the Safe Routes to School grant. They would appreciate any support to partner up with the schools. Council meetings are typically held at 6:00 PM the fourth Monday each month (because of Memorial Day this month's meeting will be held May 20).

No Parent Group report.

Student Council Report: Bryce Warden reported that the Prom was held in April and went well. Student Council elections have been held. He will be the student council representative to the School Board again next year. They are getting ready for the 8th graders to visit. The School Board thanked Bryce for his service this past year.

Enrollment was reported at 369 grades K-12.

Administration Update:

- Mrs. Holvey reported that Teacher Appreciation week was last week. The 8th Grade Dance was held last Friday at the golf course. They have completed English Language Arts Smarter Balanced assessments. Everyone had a great time at Forest Camp. She took five of her staff to the RTI Conference recently. They shared information with the rest of the staff when they returned. Volunteer recognition will be held May 22. Dine out fundraiser is May 15 at Block 15.

- Mr. Sisneros reported that English Language Arts starts tomorrow. Because some students were flooded in and not able to come to school during the Senior Project Day, make up days are being held this week. The 8th grade parent night is scheduled for May 21 for all 8th grade students and their parents.
- Mr. Crowson reported that he has met with all staff regarding next year's budget situation and possible staff trimming. Losing over 60 students has had a negative impact on the budget.

The Interdistrict Transfer Appeal was discussed with Mr. and Mrs. Lillie. After discussion, Riley Holman moved to approve the interdistrict transfer. Second: Bre Miller. Motion carried 3/2 (nay: Tony Stroda, Tim Warden).

Classified Negotiations update: Riley Holman reported that they have had three meetings with the negotiations team. The next meeting is scheduled for May 23, 2019. They are working on agenda items and are moving along.

Declare items as surplus: The lists of library books from the high school and grade school were reviewed. These books are either worn out or haven't been checked out in years. Mrs. Bayliss requested that, if declared as surplus, she would like to give some books to students during Literacy Night. Tony Stroda moved to approve the listing as surplus items. Second: Riley Holman. Motion carried 5/0.

Next meetings: The first budget committee meeting will be held tomorrow, May 15, 2019 at 7:00 in the high school library. Because 8th grade graduation was rescheduled on Monday, June 10, the next board meeting will be held Tuesday, June 11, 2017 at 7:00.

First reading of policy and administrative regulations regarding criminal history verification background checks. According to current policy and regulations, all staff, volunteers, and contractors are required to submit an annual background check. Board members are not listed. Tim Warden explained that Board members, as volunteers, could possibly have direct, unsupervised contact with students. He requested that policy be changed to include an annual check for all board members. Policy BBBA Board Member Qualifications will be revised to include the criteria. The second reading of this policy change will be held at the June board meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

Tim Warden, Board Chair

Christine Manley, Board Secretary