

Meeting Called to Order at 6:35 P.M. by Chair Riley Holman.

Members present: Riley Holman, Sherrie Deaton, Sarah Fay, Tony Stroda, Superintendent Bill Crowson, and Secretary Christine Manley.

Member absent: Bre Miller.

Also present: Employees Rosie Fuhrmann, Steve Martinson, Marie-Louise Martinson, Scott Boyer, Brian Miller and Tammy Bayliss; Tribune News reporter Erin Ritch.

Public Comment: None.

Minutes: The minutes of the December 9, 2019 meeting were reviewed. Sarah Fay moved to approve as presented. Second: Sherrie Deaton. Motion carried 4/0.

Consent Agenda:

- Additions to the agenda: 4.D. Accept letters of resignation: Kaleb Ballard, High School Special Ed Aide; and Jessie Goble, Grade School Special Ed Teacher
- The bills list was reviewed and discussed. Check on rental versus purchase and the cost to upkeep the shop tanks (acetylene, oxygen, carbon dioxide, argon).
- Consensus of the Board is to continue reviewing the bills lists as in the past. Add financial reports as needed.
- One item was declared as surplus: old grade school sign. A new reader board was purchased with grant funds. The surplus item will be posted on the website and bids will be accepted from the public.
- The resignations of Kaleb Ballard and Jessi Goble were reviewed.

Tony Stroda moved to approve the consent agenda as amended. Second: Sarah Fay. Motion carried 4/0.

Board Members read the thank you letters sent to Hugh and Jean Wheeler, Monroe Area Foundation, and the Scare & Share Program for their donations and support.

Delegations and Presentations

School Board Appreciation: January is School Board Appreciation Month. Mr. Crowson handed out Certificates of Appreciation signed by the Student Council Presidents from both the grade school and high school. Thank you for your service and dedication!

Meet the Teachers:

- Marie-Louise Martinson has been at Monroe Grade School for 12 years. She currently teaches 7th grade Science, the ELL classes, and is the EL Coordinator for the District.
- Rosie Fuhrmann has been at Monroe Grade School 11 years. She teaches middle school English Language Arts, Social Studies, Art, and AVID Academy. She also serves as Student Council Advisor, 8th grade Advisor, and Drama Club Advisor.
- Scott Boyer has taught middle school science for the past four years. He also teaches Math when needed. He serves as Forest Camp Coordinator, and middle school Robotics Advisor.

- Brian Miller is in his second year of teaching middle school Social Studies and Language Arts. He uses current events as an opportunity to teach about history and the U.S. House and Senate. He also coaches grades 5-6 basketball this year.

The Board thanked the teachers for their time and dedication.

Construction Update by Mr. Crowson included the following:

- The grade school “punch list” is still in progress. Some of the larger items may need to wait until this summer.
- The high school seismic project bids came in at approximately two million dollars. They will be moving forward with the contract and hope to start the project this spring.
- There are no firm numbers on the bond balance.
- The drainage at the grade school is working as it is supposed to.

There were no representatives from the City of Monroe, or Parent Group.

Enrollment was reported as 355 in grades K-12 at the end of December.

Administration Update: Mr. Crowson reported that he is in the process of working through the SSA grant. Part of the grant requires that the District reach out to students, staff, and parents. They plan on issuing surveys and may hold an “Engagement Night” for patrons. The application is due in April.

Marketing Committee Report: Sherrie Deaton explained they did not meet this month.

Old Business: Sherrie Deaton appointed Sarah Egbert to serve as the Zone 2 Budget Committee Member.

New Business:

Mr. Crowson reported to the Board and Community that the District has policies and procedures in place to comply with the Standards as determined by Division 22 with only one exception. He continues to work on the Lead in Drinking Water testing. Other than the one exception, the District is very solid on all Standards.

The 2019-21 ESD Local Service Plan was reviewed and discussed. Tier 1 services are those services agreed to by all school districts within the LBL-ESD region. Tier 2 provides a menu of services for districts to choose from. Sherrie Deaton moved to accept the Service Plan as presented. Second: Sarah Fay. Motion carried 4/0.

The revised and new position descriptions were reviewed and discussed. Sherrie Deaton moved to approve the position descriptions as amended. Second: Tony Stroda. Motion carried 4/0.

The first reading of revised and new policy, administrative regulations and forms were reviewed and amended. The second reading will be held in February.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

