

Meeting Called to Order at 7:00 P.M. by Chair Riley Holman.

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

Also present: Employees Lauren Wolfe, Katy Trotter, Lindi Esplin, Richard Fielder, Lori Ford; patrons Seth Bailey, and Brian Lillie.

Minutes: The minutes of the February 10, 2020 Special and Regular meetings were reviewed. Sarah Fay corrected the minutes as follows, her last name is spelled without the letter "e". With that correction, Sarah Fay moved to approve the minutes as presented. Second: Tony Stroda. Motion carried 5/0.

Consent Agenda:

- The Approval of Bills report was reviewed and discussed.
- Resolutions 1920-002 to Adopting a Supplemental Budget 2019-20 and 1920-003 Abolish Fund 225 SB1149 Public Purpose Charges were reviewed and discussed. Tony Stroda moved to approve the resolutions as presented. Second: Sarah Fay. Motion carried 5/0.
- The list of 2020-21 Notifications of rehire for licensed and administrative staff was reviewed. Tony Stroda moved to approve the list as presented. Second: Sherrie Deaton. Motion carried 5/0.
- The short list of surplus items was reviewed. The list will be posted on the website for public viewing.
- Linda Crocker will be returning as Head Track Coach.
- The list of volunteer coaches was reviewed.

Sarah Fay moved to approve the remaining items on the consent agenda. Second: Bre Miller. Motion carried 5/0.

Meet the Teachers:

- Richard Fielder explained that he has been in the district for 13 years, ten years as K-8 PE teacher, two years as 9-12 PE/Health teacher, and this year he is split between the two buildings. He also coaches football and softball, and serves as the grade school athletic director. Mr. Crowson and the Board thanked Mr. Fielder for being so flexible in accepting the scheduling changes.
- Katy Trotter introduced herself as the district's Speech Language Pathologist. She serves students ages 5-21 and does evaluations for preschool children. She is both educationally and medically trained. This is her sixth year in the District. She has a very diverse case load and really enjoys working at Monroe.
- Lindi Esplin has been in the district for four years. She teaches special education, runs the transition program, and Life Skills program. Prior to her teaching Special Education she was an Aide at the grade school. She obtained her Master's degree and came to teach at the high school.

Construction Update by Mr. Crowson included the following:

- He has met with representatives from Gerding and Pivot but has not yet signed a contract with Gerding for the high school seismic project. He plans to turn over the old gym to Gerding next week to begin construction and move the offices over spring break. He shared the latest logistics plan with the board. During the seismic retrofit, foot traffic will be routed to the south entrance, with bus loading/unloading in the gravel parking lot. Since the high school is an historic site, Pivot notified the State Preservation Board who needs to sign off on the project. The Preservation Board needs more information and drawings before they can make that determination. PBS Environmental has viewed the building and will give an opinion on the status of asbestos abatement. Mr. Crowson is checking with our insurance carrier to see if we are properly insured during the construction phase.
- As of the last estimate, there is only \$500,000 to \$600,000 of bond dollars left. The estimates for the ADA ramp have come in much higher than anticipated. Pivot will price check. Construction options include:
 - Put construction projects on hold and work on our own at a later time.
 - Turn rooms 4 and 5 into three classrooms.
 - Upgrade the intercom and bell systems.
 - Make the boys' restroom ADA compliant.
 - Upgrade windows on the east side.

Parent Group Report: Seth Bailey, President of the Parent-Teacher Group explained that he has been subbing in both schools. He enjoys it and has learned that there is a great need for aides and substitutes in the buildings. Currently the Parent Group is working on the Spring Carnival. The carnival will be free admission to everyone! They continue to work on their non-profit status application.

Enrollment was reported as 356 in grades K-12 at the end of February.

Administration Update: Mr. Crowson reported that the girls' basketball team came in second in the State playoffs. They had a really good season.

Marketing Committee Report: Sherrie Deaton and Bre Miller wanted to start a Senior Spotlight on the Facebook page. Lauren Wolfe reported that no students are interested.

New Business:

Mr. Crowson explained the Student Success Act application process and requirements. He has engaged the community by posting two surveys (one last spring and another this past winter), and held focus group meetings with EL parents and Special Education parents. He then reviewed the plan put together by administrators using the information gathered from the surveys and meetings. He outlined multiple strategies and activities. The final application is due April 15 and he will bring the final draft to the Board at the next Board meeting. Sarah Fay asked if a community garden / greenhouse / FFA program could be added as a backup plan. Board members agreed that the application looks good.

Mr. Crowson presented a revised academic calendar for 2019-20. He explained that with the cost savings last spring, maintaining programs with grants, and entering year two of the biennium he recommends changing three of the furlough days back to school days. He appreciates all those who took a financial hit. Sarah Fay moved to approve the revised calendar. Second: Bre Miller. Motion carried 5/0.

Bre Miller excused herself at 8:35 P.M.

Revised and new policy, administrative regulations and forms were reviewed, discussed and edited. The second reading will be in April.

Public Comment: None.

Meeting adjourned at 8:42 P.M.

Riley Holman, Board Chair

Christine Manley, Board Secretary