

MONROE PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board Meeting #10
Tuesday, June 11, 2013
7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Roll Call and Call to Order

Board Members Present: President Robert Yeo, Vice President Lawrence VanWasshenova, Secretary June Knabusch-Taylor (arrived @ 7:04 p.m.), Parliamentarian Aaron N. Mason, Trustee Dr. Tedd March, and Trustee Ryan Philbeck

Board Members Absent: Trustee Wendy Spicer

Administrators Present: Randy Monday, Julie Everly, Ryan McLeod, Katherine Eighmey, Barry Martin, and Jerry Oley

Administrators Absent: David Payne

President Yeo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Waterloo Extended Day Activities

Mrs. Everly welcomed Waterloo principal, Lisa McLaughlin, who introduced students and staff who then highlighted some of the iPad activities and extended day opportunities available to all grade levels for Waterloo students. Cheryl Bindus, teacher, spoke first about the iPad initiative and called on kindergarten, third, and sixth grade students to demonstrate iPad applications, commercials and collaboration activities they have used on their iPads. Then Ms. Bindus explained some of the extended day activities offered at Waterloo which encompassed all areas of the curriculum and included many staff members.

Public Commentary-Agenda Items Only

A citizen complimented the Monroe High School staff on the nice graduation held recently.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Mr. VanWasshenova; support by Mr. Philbeck to approve the minutes of the following meetings as submitted:

- May 28 2013 Board Meeting #9
- June 4, 2013 Special Board Meeting

Vote: Motion carried by a 6-0 roll call vote.

Reports and Update

The May 20, 2013 Board Curriculum Committee Minutes were received without comments.

Staff Resignation

Motion by Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor; support by Mr. Mason to approve the resignation from Monroe Public Schools for Adrienne Clements effective June 11, 2013.

Vote: Motion carried by a 6-0 roll call vote.

Teacher Tenure Recognition

Motion by Mr. Mason; support by Dr. March to confirm and endorse the granting of tenure for Monique Hunter, Callie Preslan and Traci Wilson on the appropriate anniversary dates.

Vote: Motion carried by a 6-0 roll call vote.

Custer Reading Instructional Resources

Motion by Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor; support by Dr. March to approve the purchase of the enclosed instructional resources from Scholastic and Houghton Mifflin Harcourt. The total cost for the materials, plus shipping, will not exceed \$13,000 all of which will be covered by 2012-2013 Title I funds in accordance with allowable expenditure guidelines for use of federal funds for supplemental instructional programming.

Discussion: Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor noted that the books are terrific for the children. Thanks to Mrs. Bennett for attending the meeting.

Vote: Motion carried by a 6-0 roll call vote.

Upward Bound Field Trip

Motion by Mr. Mason; support by Mr. Philbeck to approve the Upward Bound Program overnight trip to Boston, Massachusetts from July 28, 2013 to July 31, 2013, according to the terms of Policy IICA, Field Trips and Excursions.

Discussion: Thank you to Anthony Quinn for attending the board meeting. Mr. Monday and Dr. Martin complimented the Upward Bound program and the recent banquet held at the college. The speaker at the banquet had himself been an Upward Bound student whose message was inspiring.

Vote: Motion carried by a 6-0 roll call vote.

MHS Band Camp

Motion by Mr. VanWasshenova; support by Mr. Mason to approve the Monroe High School Trojan Marching Band trip to Spring Arbor University for their annual band camp from August 5-10, 2013 according to the terms of Policy IICA Field Trips and Excursions.

Discussion: In the past this band camp was held at MSU. The students are excited to attend this camp.

Vote: Motion carried by a 6-0 roll call vote.

MHS Cheerleading Camp

Motion by Mr. VanWasshenova; support by Mr. Mason to approve the Monroe High School students' attendance at the Champion Cheer Camp at Alma College; according to the terms of Policy IICA, Field Trips and Excursions.

Discussion: Thank you to Dr. Ray for attending the board meeting to answer questions about the field trips.

Vote: Motion carried by a 6-0 roll call vote.

MHS Boys Basketball Camp

Motion by Dr. March; support by Mr. VanWasshenova to approve the Monroe High School students' attendance at the Boys Basketball Team Camp in Findley, Ohio at the University of Findley according to the terms of Policy IICA, Field Trips and Excursions.

Discussion: Fundraisers are held to help students defray the cost of these field trips.

Vote: Motion carried by a 6-0 roll call vote.

Superintendent Comments

- After a day's delay due to rainy weather, the Dick Waters swimming pool opened. Plans are to have it opened daily, except July 4th, into the Labor Day weekend. The central part of operation is the open swim from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. daily. In addition, adult swim lanes will be available for one hour before the pool opens, youth swimming lessons will be held after the pool closes, and water aerobics will be offered in the early evening. Admission is \$3 for those over 12 years old; 12 years and younger, the admission is \$2.
- Despite having to be inside for the second consecutive year, the MHS graduation ceremonies went well.
- Top 100 MHS graduate books are available and have already been distributed to the top 100 students.
- June 21-22 our robotics team will host a major robotics competition. Nearly 40 teams from four states are expected.
- Our Summer Learning Academy pilot program at Arborwood South will begin next week. At this time there are 275 students in Pre-K to 8th grade who are registered to attend. We are using lessons we learned and incorporating the many successes we had with the learning academies at Arborwood over the last school year.
- The Education Foundation and MHS Scholarship have combined. With the groups working together, we expect to be able to pool our energies to better support both programs.

Old Business

Mrs. Everly and Dr. McLeod are putting data together with the results of our students' pre- and post-tests. It may be necessary to hold a Saturday workshop in July so the board can set goals for themselves and the superintendent.

Mr. Mason attended the recent Orchard graduation and was happy to see a student graduate who had been reinstated earlier in the year. Another graduate wrote and performed a song. He also reported the three unopposed candidates for the MCISD board were, of course, elected.

Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor noted that even though school is out for the summer, many teachers are still working. The project Manor teachers are working on is part of a grant they received.

Monroe Public Schools has many successes to celebrate.

Mr. Yeo asked that contractual issues be placed on the agenda for the next board meeting.

New Business

Prior to the meeting, board members received a packet from Mr. Yeo detailing some administrative considerations that could be made with the vacancy created by Dr. Martin taking over as superintendent. There is an opportunity for adjustments to this position as well as creating administrative support at the building level. A realignment of Dr. Martin's job duties could create an eleven-month administrative position at the building level while eliminating a central office position. This topic will be discussed at the June 25, 2013 board meeting.

Five candidates have applied for the position of secretary to the superintendent and board of education. Interviews will be held Friday, June 14. Mr. Yeo and Mr. VanWasshenova will be the board representatives on the interview panel.

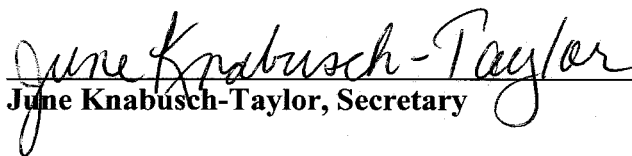
Public Commentary-Any Topic

There was none at this time.

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. VanWasshenova; support by Mr. Mason that the June 11, 2013, Board Meeting #10 of the Monroe Public Schools Board of Education be adjourned.

Vote: Motion carried by a 6-0 hand vote at 8:18 p.m.


June Knabusch-Taylor, Secretary