

# MONROE PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board Meeting #22

Tuesday, December 11, 2012

7:00 p.m.

## MINUTES

### Roll Call and Call to Order

Board Members Present: President Dave Vensel, Vice President Robert Yeo, Secretary June Knabusch-Taylor, Trustee Aaron N. Mason, Trustee Wendy Spicer, and Trustee Larry VanWasshenova

Board Members Absent: Parliamentarian Tedd March

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

Administrators Absent: Jerry Oley, David Payne

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

### MHS Singers

Monroe High School singers, "Nothing but Treble" led by teacher Kate Windleborn, sang two songs for those in attendance. These students also performed on the radio earlier in the day.

### Board Member Recognition

Mr. Monday presented a recognition plaque to Mr. Vensel for seventeen years of service as a board of education member for Monroe Public Schools. Mr. Vensel did not run for re-election this year so his term is ending December 31<sup>st</sup>. Mr. Vensel said his years on the board have been very rewarding and credits his parents with his love of public education. He thanked the board members, Mr. Monday, and his family members, especially his wife, Kathy, who has always supported him. Mr. Vensel said it was his privilege to serve the board and community over the past 17 years.

Board members thanked Mr. Vensel for his mentoring, hard work, and being a fair and steady worker. His passion has served as a role model for everyone. Paul Vensel, Dave's father and former board of education member, said he and Dave's mother were very proud of him and spoke about the differences and similarities when he served on the board versus when Dave has served on the board.

### Student Art Projects

Art teachers, Steve Simon, Bonnie Ritsema and Pam Mathews were present to introduce elementary art students whose work is on display for an entire year on the walls of the board room. These works of art have also been on display at the Mall of Monroe Art Show as well as at the Monroe County Fair. Each student stood by their art project for pictures and received a certificate of merit.

### Recess

A short recess was called to enjoy refreshments at 7:25 p.m. The meeting resumed at 7:37 p.m.

### Public Commentary-Agenda Items Only

There was no public commentary at this time.

**Approval of Minutes**

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

- November 13, 2012 Board Work Session
- November 13, 2012 Board Meeting #20
- November 20, 2012 Special Board Meeting
- December 4, 2012 Special Board Meeting

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

**Reports and Update**

The November 13, 2012 Board Curriculum Committee Minutes were received. Mr. VanWasshenova appreciates central office administration following up with board members on various issues.

The December 3, 2012 Board Personnel Committee Minutes and Informational Report – Contracted Coaches were received without comments.

**Staff Resignation**

Motion by Mr. Mason; support by Mr. Yeo; to approve the resignation of Eva Denno effective February 1, 2013 from Monroe Public Schools.

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

**Spring Coaches**

Motion by Mr. VanWasshenova; support by Mr. Mason to approve the coaches listed below for the spring season; as per the MCEA master agreement.

Last Name	First Name	Title	Sport	School
Columbus	Russ	Coach	Soccer - JV Girls	MHS
Matusik	Robert	Coach	Tennis - Varsity Girls	MHS
Wood	Bobby	Assistant Coach	Track	MHS
Mydloski	Jim	Assistant Coach	Track	MHS
		Head Coach	Track - Varsity Boys & Girls	MHS
Scoles	Mark			
Rooney	Brian	Coach	Baseball - 7th Grade	Monroe Middle
Sellers	Ernie	Coach	Softball - 8th Grade	Monroe Middle
Pitcher	Debra	Head Coach	Track - 7/8 Grade Co-Ed	Monroe Middle
Howe	Mary	Head Coach	Track - 7/8 Grade Co-Ed	Monroe Middle
Delben	Tigra	Assistant Coach	Track - 7/8 Grade Co-Ed	Monroe Middle

Discussion: If changes need to be made to coaching assignments, they will be brought back before the board. Board members appreciated that these coaches were brought for approval in a timely manner.

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

**First Robotics Registration**

Motion by Mr. Mason; support by Mr. VanWasshenova to approve the Monroe High School registration fee of \$4,000 for the *FIRST* Robotics Competition being held in Cincinnati, Ohio. Money for this fee will come from CTE Added Cost funds.

Discussion: Mr. VanWasshenova pointed out that this is a very good program and everyone involved should be commended.

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

### **Repair to SMT Outdoor Basketball Court**

Motion by Mr. Yeo; support by Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor to accept the low bid to repair the outdoor basketball court at SMT from Great Lakes Asphalt of Monroe, Michigan, and reject all others, for a cost not to exceed \$5,500. Community Development Institute Head Start serving Monroe County will pay full cost directly to vendor.

Discussion: Mr. VanWasshenova noted on the request that if the asphalt project is put off until spring, it is unclear if Head Start could fund this project. If Head Start is not able to pay for the project, it will not be done.

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

### **Purchase – Evaluation Tool**

Motion by Mr. Yeo; support by Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor to approve the purchase of “The Framework for Teaching Proficiency System” for a total cost not to exceed \$6,300.00. The money for this purchase will be funded by district funds.

Discussion: Mr. Vensel commented that this is a wise expenditure on the part of Monroe Public Schools.

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

### **Superintendent Comments**

- Monroe High School’s Health Sciences Department will hold an open house for all interested parents and students at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 15.
- Congratulations to MHS student Jonathon Brown who has been selected as the Hugh O’Brien Youth Leadership Summit representative from MHS, and Sarah Guy who was chosen to perform with the regional honors choir in its recent performance in Ann Arbor.
- Last Friday’s Pink Out basketball game against SMCC was a success. Our students won the game and the event raised \$4,500 for the Mercy Memorial Hospital Cancer Connection.
- The morning airwaves at My 98.3 FM have featured singers from our various choirs this month. In addition, there will be a holiday concert this Thursday, December 13 at 7:00 p.m. at Monroe High. A successful Madrigal Dinner was performed over the past weekend as well.
- Christmas break starts after classes have ended on Friday, December 21 and will resume Thursday, January 3, 2013.

### **Old Business**

There was no old business.

### **New Business**

Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor wished Mr. Vensel well on his new ventures and noted that it will be sad to see him leave the board of education.

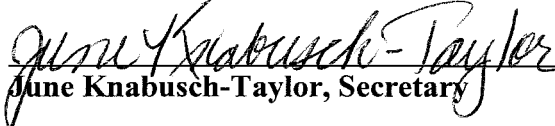
### **Public Commentary-Any Topic**

Citizen Selma Rankins congratulated Mr. Vensel on his 17 years as a board member for Monroe Public Schools.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Mr. VanWasshenova; support by Mr. Mason that the December 11, 2012, Board Meeting #22 of the Monroe Public Schools Board of Education be adjourned.

Vote: Motion carried by a 6-0 hand vote at 7:57 p.m.

  
June Knabusch-Taylor, Secretary