MONROE BOARD OF EDUCATION

1275 North Macomb Street, Monroe, Michigan 48162

Minutes - Board Organizational Meeting - January 11, 2011

Ronald Benore, Jr.
June Knabusch-Taylor
Kenneth McNamee
Tedd March
Wendy Spicer
Larry VanWasshenova
David Vensel

Randall Monday, Superintendent M. Christine Butler, Assistant Superintendent, Elementary & Secondary Curriculum Kenneth Laub, Assistant Superintendent, Business & Finance Jennifer Watterworth, Secretary to Superintendent and Board

MINUTES

Roll Call and Call to Order: The Organizational Meeting was called to order at 6:50 PM by Mr. Monday.

Board Members Present:	Board Members Absent:	Others Present:
Mr. BenoreMrs. Knabusch-TaylorDr. McNamee	None	Mr. MondayMrs. ButlerMr. Laub
Dr. MarchMs. SpicerMr. VanWasshenova		
Mr. Vensel		

Election of President

Move to nominate David Vensel as President of the Monroe Public Schools Board of Education for the 2011 calendar year.

Motion by Dr. McNamee; support by Mr. Benore.

Move to close the nominations for Board President.

Motion by Dr. McNamee; support by Mr. Benore. Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 hand vote.

Move to appoint David Vensel as President of the Monroe Public Schools Board of Education for the 2011 calendar year.

Motion by Dr. McNamee; support by Dr. March. Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

Election of Vice President

Move to nominate Kenneth McNamee as Vice President of the Monroe Public Schools Board of Education for the 2011 calendar year.

Motion by Dr. March; support by Mr. Vensel. Nominations were closed and approved by a 7-0 hand vote.

Move to appoint Kenneth McNamee as Vice President of the Monroe Public Schools Board of Education for the 2011 calendar year.

Motion by Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor; support by Dr. March. Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

Election of Secretary

Move to nominate June Knabusch-Taylor as Secretary of the Monroe Public Schools Board of Education for the 2011 calendar year.

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Motion by Dr. March; support by Dr. McNamee. Nominations were closed and approved by a 7-0 hand vote.

Move to appoint June Knabusch-Taylor as Secretary of the Monroe Public Schools Board of Education for the 2011 calendar year.

Motion by Mr. Benore; support by Ms. Spicer. Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

Election of Treasurer

Move to appoint Kenneth Laub as Treasurer of Monroe Public Schools Board of Education for the 2011 calendar year.

Motion by Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor; support by Dr. March. Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

Election of Parliamentarian

Move to nominate Tedd March as Parliamentarian of the Monroe Public Schools Board of Education for the 2011 calendar year.

Motion by Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor; support by Mr. Benore. Nominations were closed and approved by a 7-0 hand vote.

Move to appoint Tedd March as Parliamentarian of the Monroe Public Schools Board of Education for the 2011 calendar year.

Motion by Mr. Benore; support by Dr. McNamee. Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

Appointment of Administrative Secretary

Move to appoint Jennifer Watterworth as Administrative Secretary of Monroe Public Schools Board of Education for the 2011 calendar year

Motion by Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor; support by Dr. McNamee. Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

Adoption of Board Bylaw Manual

Move to approve the adoption of the Monroe Public Schools Bylaw Manual as its bylaws until such time any of those bylaws are changed by the Board.

Motion by Dr. McNamee; support by Dr. March. Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

Appointment of General Counsel

Move to appoint the firm of McCormick and Davies, PC, to represent the Monroe Board of Education as general counsel for the Monroe Public School District for the 2011 calendar year and further to name Mr. James Davies as prime counsel and Mr. Edward J. McCormick, Jr. as alternate.

Motion by Dr. McNamee; support by Mr. Benore. Vote: Motion carried by a roll call vote.

Discussion: Mr. VanWasshenova would like to see this item put out for bid in the future. Mr. Benore noted that McCormick and Davies are separate businesses at this time.

Vote: Motion failed by a 1-6 roll call vote. Mr. Benore, Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor, Dr. March, Ms. Spicer, Mr. VanWasshenova and Mr. Vensel voted no.

Appointment of General Counsel

Move to appoint James Davies to represent the Monroe Board of Education as general counsel for the Monroe Public School District for the 2011 calendar year.

Motion by Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor; support by Dr. March. Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

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Appointment of School Election Administrator

Move to approve the following, I, June Knabusch-Taylor, Secretary of the Monroe Board of Education, do hereby appoint Kenneth Laub, Assistant Superintendent for Business and Finance, Deputy Secretary to the Board of Education for the purpose of administering all matters pertaining to the Monroe Public School District elections for the year 2011, and that a signed Constitutional Oath of Office be affixed to the official minutes of the Board of Education.

Motion by Dr. McNamee; support by Dr. March. Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

Board Member Pay

Move to establish the rate of pay for the Board of Education members at \$30.00 per meeting for the 2011 calendar year, if members choose to accept it, that the pay be quarterly, that a Board member must be in attendance to receive the pay, and the Board members who do not wish to receive pay notify the payroll office in writing.

Motion by Dr. McNamee; support by June Knabusch-Taylor.

Discussion: Dr. March suggested that Board members take a 10% pay cut similar to cuts made by employee groups.

Vote: Motion carried by a 4-3 roll call vote. Mr. Benore, Dr. March and Ms. Spicer voted no.

Appointment of Certified Public Accountant

Move to employ the accounting firm of Cooley, Hehl, Wohlgamuth & Carlton, Certified Public Accountants, to perform the annual audit of financial records and funds of Monroe Public Schools and for the Monroe Public Schools Education Foundation for the 2010/2011 Fiscal Year in conformance with prescribed standards and legal requirements of the State of Michigan. Motion by Dr. McNamee; support by Dr. March.

Discussion: Mr. VanWasshenova would like to see this put out for bids in the future.

Vote: Motion carried by a 6-1 roll call vote. Mr. VanWasshenova voted no.

Consent Agenda – Corporate Resolutions and Facsimile Signatures

Move that Agenda Items 13 through 26 be considered as a Consent Agenda and that the agenda items be approved as recommended for the 2011 calendar year.

Corporate Resolution – Monroe Bank and Trust

Move to adopt the Corporate Resolution for Monroe Bank and Trust for the 2011 calendar year.

Corporate Resolution – PNC Bank

Move to adopt the Corporate Resolution for National City Bank for the 2011 calendar year.

Corporate Resolution - Fifth Third Bank

Move to adopt the Corporate Resolution for Fifth Third Bank for the 2011 calendar year.

Corporate Resolution - Education Plus Credit Union

Move to adopt the Corporate Resolution for Education Plus Credit Union for the 2011 calendar year.

Corporate Resolution – Flagstar Bank

Move to adopt the Corporate Resolution for Flagstar Bank for the 2011 calendar year.

Corporate Resolution – Wells Fargo

Move to adopt the Corporate Resolution for Wells Fargo Bank for the 2011 calendar year.

Corporate Resolution – Key Bank

Move to adopt the Corporate Resolution for Key Bank for the 2011 calendar year.

Resolution for Facsimile Signatures-Monroe Bank & Trust

Move to adopt the Resolution for Facsimile Signature – Monroe Bank & Trust for the 2011 calendar year.

Resolution for Facsimile Signatures-PNC Bank

Move to adopt the Resolution for Facsimile Signature – National City Bank for the 2011 calendar year.

Resolution for Facsimile Signatures-Fifth Third Bank

Move to adopt the Resolution for Facsimile Signature – Fifth Third Bank for the 2011 calendar year.

Resolution for Facsimile Signatures-Education Plus CU

Move to adopt the Resolution for Facsimile Signature – Education Plus CU for the 2011 calendar year.

Resolution for Facsimile Signatures-Flagstar Bank

Move to adopt the Resolution for Facsimile Signature – Flagstar Bank for the 2011 calendar year.

Resolution for Facsimile Signatures-Wells Fargo

Move to adopt the Resolution for Facsimile Signature – Flagstar Bank for the 2011 calendar year.

Resolution for Facsimile Signatures-Key Bank

Move to adopt the Resolution for Facsimile Signature – Key Bank for the 2011 calendar year.

Motion by: Dr. McNamee; support by Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor. Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

Adjournment

Move to adjourn the January 11, 2011 Organizational Meeting of the Monroe Public Schools Board of Education.

Motion by Dr. McNamee; support by Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor. Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 hand vote at 7:20 pm.

JUNE KNABUSCH-TAYLOR, SECREJARY

ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

I do hereby accept the office of Member of the Board of Education of Monroe Public Schools, Monroe, Michigan.

Dated: November 9, 2010

June Knabusch-Taylor

June Knabusch-Taylor

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CONSTITUTIONAL OATH OF OFFICE

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF MONROE

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the County of MONROE, appeared

June Knabusch-Taylor, who took and subscribed the following oath:

"I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the constitution of the United States and the constitution of this state, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of office of member of the board of education of **Monroe Public Schools** according to the best of my ability."

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

h day of January, A.D., 2011

Notary Public in and for the County of

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State of Michigan

My commission expires July 25, 2015