

# MONROE PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board Meeting #11

June 23, 2015

7:15 p.m.

## MINUTES

### **Roll Call and Call to Order**

Board Members Present: President Robert Yeo, Vice President Lawrence VanWasshenova, Secretary Ryan Philbeck, Parliamentarian Dr. Tedd March, Trustee Matthew Bunkelman, Trustee Floreine Mentel, and Trustee Cynthia Taylor

Board Members Absent: None

Administrators Present: Barry Martin, Julie Everly, Ryan McLeod, Katherine Eighmey, Jerry Oley, David Payne

Administrators Absent: None

President Yeo called the meeting to order at 7:28 p.m.

### **Public Commentary-Agenda Items Only**

There was none at this time.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Mr. Bunkelman; support by Mrs. Taylor to approve the minutes of the following meetings as submitted:

- June 9, 2015, Board Work Session
- June 9, 2015, Board Meeting #10
- June 11, 2015, Special Board Meeting

Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

### **Reports and Update**

The June 1, 2015, Board Personnel Committee Meeting Minutes; June 15, 2015, Board Curriculum Committee Meeting Minutes; and an Informational Report – Contracted Coaches were received.

### **Final Amended 2014/15 Budgets**

Motion by Mrs. Mentel; support by Mr. VanWasshenova to adopt the final amended 2014/15 fund budgets for the General, Food Service and Building and Site Sinking funds as presented.

Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

### **2015/16 Proposed Budgets**

Motion by Mrs. Taylor; support by Dr. March to adopt the 2015/16 proposed budgets for General, Food Service, Sinking Fund and Building and Site funds as presented. Furthermore, the Board has determined that the non-homestead millage rate be established at 18 mills non-homestead and 6 mills commercial personal property for operating purposes and an additional 1 mill be levied for Building and Site Sinking Fund on all property as approved by referendum in 2013.

Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

**State Aid Note Resolution**

Motion by Dr. March; support by Mrs. Mentel that the Board of Education approve the District's participation in the Michigan Finance Authority 2015 State Aid Note Program as presented.

Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

**Extension of Sodexo Food Service Contract**

Motion by Mr. Bunkelman; support by Mr. Philbeck to extend the food service management contract of Sodexo for the 2015/16 school year.

Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

**Staff Resignations**

Motion by Mr. Bunkelman; support by Mrs. Mentel to approve the resignation from Monroe Public Schools of Ryan McLeod effective June 30, 2015, of Nancy Summers effective July 31, 2015 and of Jessica Shultz effective August 15, 2015.

Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

**Ratification of the Custodial-Maintenance Master Agreement**

Motion by Mrs. Taylor; support by Mr. Philbeck to ratify the Master Agreement for June 10, 2015, through June 30, 2016, between the Monroe City Educational Support Personnel Association Custodial-Maintenance and the Monroe Board of Education effective June 10, 2015.

Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

**Monroe High School – Marching Band Camp**

Motion by Mrs. Taylor; support by Mrs. Mentel to approve the attendance of Monroe High School's Marching Band at the 2015 Band Camp at Spring Arbor University in Spring Arbor, Michigan, in accordance with board policies for field trips and excursions.

Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

**Monroe High School – Future Corps Training Program**

Motion by Mrs. Taylor; support by Mr. VanWasshenova to approve the attendance of two Monroe High School students at the Future Corps Workshop at Redlands University in Redlands, California, in accordance with board policies for field trips and excursions.

Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

**High School Mathematics – ALEKS Purchase**

Motion by Mr. Bunkelman; support by Mr. VanWasshenova to approve the purchase of the ALEKS web-based, mathematics assessment and learning system at a cost not to exceed \$18,000.00. Funds for this purchase will come from the Secondary Curriculum Assessment Budget.

Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

**Elementary School Planners – 2015/16 School Year**

Motion by Mrs. Taylor; support by Mrs. Mentel to approve the purchase 1,725 student planners from School Datebooks in the amount of \$4,002.66. Money for this purchase will come from the elementary curriculum teaching supplies account.

Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

**Schoolzilla Subscription and Implementation**

Motion by Mr. Bunkelman; support by Mrs. Mentel to approve the start-up and one year subscription of

Schoolzilla at \$59,692.00. This purchase will be funded out of the 2015/2016 General Fund Curriculum Budget.

Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

#### **Chiller Repair at Monroe High School**

Motion by Mrs. Mentel; support by Mr. VanWasshenova to accept the quote of \$4,955.00 from Dimech Services Inc. of Toledo, Ohio, to complete the repair to the chiller at Monroe High School. Money for this purchase will come from the Site Sinking Budget.

Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

#### **Waterloo Elementary Concrete Repair**

Motion by Mrs. Mentel; support by Mr. VanWasshenova to accept the bid of \$29,115.00 from Gratton Construction Co., Inc. of Monroe, Michigan, to complete the concrete repair at Waterloo Elementary School. Money for this purchase will come from the Site Sinking Budget.

Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

#### **Summer Technology Purchases**

Motion by Mrs. Mentel; support by Mr. VanWasshenova to approve the summer technology purchases at a cost not to exceed \$383,623.54. Money for these purchases will come from general funds, technology millage funds, and Title I Grant funds.

Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

#### **Video Insight Purchase**

Motion by Mrs. Taylor; support by Dr. March to approve the purchase of security equipment from Video Insight at a cost not to exceed \$127,118.00. Money for this purchase will come from the general fund.

Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

#### **Superintendent Comments**

The first year of the Allies in Monroe, or AIM, has now concluded. The third trimester banquet was held last week and 45 students made the goals they had set with their mentors and earned the \$200 award, which can be used for scholarship. The 45 students making their goals bring to 106 students who successfully achieved their goals during the school year. That means the students together earned more than \$20,000. Congratulations, too, to four students who made their goals all three trimesters. The program has grown so much in a year that the Monroe FOP was nearly full to capacity for the awards banquet. Thanks to all of the mentors, and to the Angels, the people in the community who have given support to this program.

With our summer in full-swing now, we are pleased that several of our school buildings are being used for a summer program that makes a free lunch available to all children up to the age of 18. The program is being administered by the Speckled Frog Learning Center, which is associated with the Monroe Housing Commission. With this program, all of our children at Riverside this summer receive a free lunch each day. Now that the Summer Learning Academy is underway at Monroe High School, free lunch is offered to all students there and their siblings if they happen to be around at lunch. Waterloo also will offer the free lunch when it has its summertime program starting in mid-July. Five other locations also offer the free lunch so children from just about anywhere in our district have a free lunch location in their neighborhood even if they are not enrolled in school this summer.

Monroe High School will host the 28th annual Monroe News All-Star Softball game at 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, and the high school all-star volleyball game at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday.

The high school football season has finally ended with the All-Star football game sponsored by the Monroe News. Congratulations to Monroe High School graduate Dathan Dickerson, who scored two touchdowns and was named the game's most valuable player. The two teams were made up of graduating seniors, and Monroe placed more players on the all-star team than any other school.

Dr. Martin wished Dr. McLeod the best of luck in his new role as Superintendent of East Detroit Public Schools. Dr. McLeod will be very successful in that role and will continue to be an advocate for effective, equitable education for all students, just as he has been here in Monroe Public Schools for many years.

### Old Business

There was none at this time.

### New Business

Motion by Mrs. Taylor; support by Mr. Philbeck to approve the revised Organizational Chart effective July 1, 2015.

Discussion: Due to recent developments in the district, and administrative changes that will be taking place, there was a need to review how the central office was organized. This would normally go through board policy, but due to time constraints and other issues that involve administrative placements, we weren't able to do that; however, the revision was communicated to the board in last week's board briefs.

**Original entry:** *Mr. VanWasshenova expressed concern that board policy was being changed under New Business, and that it didn't go through the board policy committee.* **Correction: Mr. VanWasshenova's concern wasn't where this appeared on the agenda. His concern was that it should have been on the agenda to give people a chance to comment; it was more of an open meetings act issue. His other concern was that we didn't follow our own policy, not that it didn't go through the policy committee.**

Vote: Motion carried by a 5-2 roll call vote. Mr. VanWasshenova voted no; Mr. Bunkelman abstained.

### Public Commentary-Any Topic

Selma Rankins expressed his sympathy about the shootings in South Carolina. He doesn't think black kids in Monroe Public Schools are learning.

### Adjournment

Motion by Mr. VanWasshenova; support by Mrs. Mentel that the June 23, 2015, Board Meeting #11 of the Monroe Public Schools Board of Education be adjourned.

Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 hand vote at 8:19 p.m.



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Ryan Philbeck, Secretary