

MONROE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

BOARD MEETING #17

September 24, 2013

7:00 p.m.



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MONROE PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

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9. **Adjournment**

Mr. Yeo

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Move that the September 24, 2013 Board Meeting #17 of the Monroe Public Schools Board of Education be adjourned.

ROLL CALL

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor	_____	_____
Dr. March	_____	_____
Mr. Mason	_____	_____
Mr. Philbeck	_____	_____
Ms. Spicer	_____	_____
Mr. VanWasshenova	_____	_____
Mr. Yeo	_____	_____

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ENCLOSURES

- September 10, 2013 Board Meeting #16 Minutes

RECOMMENDATION

Move to approve the following minutes as submitted:

- September 10, 2013 Board Meeting #16

MOTION: _____ **SUPPORT:** _____ **ACTION:** _____

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor	_____	_____	_____	_____
Dr. March	_____	_____	_____	_____
Mr. Mason	_____	_____	_____	_____
Mr. Philbeck	_____	_____	_____	_____
Ms. Spicer	_____	_____	_____	_____
Mr. VanWasshenova	_____	_____	_____	_____
Mr. Yeo	_____	_____	_____	_____

MONROE PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board Meeting #16

Tuesday, September 10, 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, Parliamentarian Aaron N. Mason, Trustee Dr. Tedd March, Trustee Ryan Philbeck, and Trustee Wendy Spicer

Board Members Absent: None

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

Administrators Absent: David Payne

President Yeo called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Public Commentary-Agenda Items Only

There was no public commentary at this time.

Approval of Minutes

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

- August 27, 2013 Work Session
- August 27, 2013 Board Meeting #15
- September 5, 2013 Special Board Meeting

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

Reports and Update

The August 19, 2013 Board Curriculum Committee Minutes were received without comments.

Staff Resignation

Motion by Mr. Mason; support by Dr. March to approve the resignation from Monroe Public Schools for Jason King effective August 30, 2013.

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

Teacher Appointment

Motion by Mr. VanWasshenova; support by Dr. March to table this motion in order to complete a second round of interviews.

Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 hand vote.

Superintendent Comments

- Our first week of school got off to a good start. During the week we welcomed a new principal and assistant principal at Monroe High School and initiated the new parking lot; kicked off the school year at Arborwood with a helicopter landing on the football field; officially “cut the ribbon” on the new Leader in Me program at Manor; launched the million acts of kindness program at Monroe Middle School; and announced in the Monroe Evening News that the Learning Bank would re-open

this week thanks to the support from Monroe Public Schools. There were a few transportation issues on Tuesday and Friday, but they have all been addressed and things have been going smoothly as students and staff gets used to the bus procedures for this school year.

- Mrs. Everly commented on the enthusiasm across the district about this opening. Principals and teachers expressed that this has been one of the smoothest openings they have experienced. Even with the transportation issues, it was a very small percentage of students that were affected. We have a lot to be proud of because of the way every department works together to solve these issues when they arise.
- Dr. McLeod expressed the high level of excitement, optimism and a new sense of hope across the district, particularly at the high school. The opening days for teachers at the high school set a nice tone, and he has heard a lot of positive feedback from high school staff, parents and students. Having his own children at each level in the district, feedback has been very positive about a lot of the initiatives including the Leader in Me, the Million Acts of Kindness at the middle school and the tremendous sense of optimism at the high school. This speaks volumes about the work that has been done over the last few years, which the board has supported, in terms of pushing the coaching model and the high level of expectations in school improvement efforts.
- Mr. Oley acknowledged the transportation department for all of their hard work for the opening of this school year. Parent phone calls have seemed light this year, along with parents showing up at transportation. The new radios really helped the buildings contact transportation, or if they needed to call back a bus. The Operations side of the new school year was one of the best starts he has experienced in a long time. He acknowledged his staff for completing a lot of work over the summer.
- Preschool money that the State has offered is part of the GSRP, which is the Discovery Preschool at Riverside. Now that the ISD oversees the GSRP grant, Monroe Public Schools has increased the number of slots we are able to offer. We have 150 slots, which is an increase of about 50. Another exciting development is the all-day preschool that we are now able to offer. With the grant changes and the state focusing on preschool, we're able to collect an FTE for the morning, and the same students staying in the afternoon, a new set of FTEs. We have three all day preschool classes at Riverside, and four sections of half day which is what we've had in the past. We have heard from parents that if transportation were provided for their preschooler, they would be more likely to participate. Mrs. Everly and Mrs. Malik are looking at the possibility of offering all day preschool in elementary buildings next year so transportation could be offered to those preschoolers living in that area. Because it is a county wide program now, we can pull from other districts if we need to fill slots. We currently have a waiting list of Monroe Public School students.
- We have 52 students enrolled in Monroe Virtual High School, which started September 3. Mrs. Shultz is now the administrator in charge, and things are running very smoothly.
- The Dick Waters pool is now closed and despite the weather, we still drew 2400 swimmers plus another 35 children for swimming lessons. Summer attendance was down somewhat from a little more than 2,900 the first year. The Monroe Family YMCA reports that year two went smoothly and was extremely successful. The YMCA is already hoping to partner with us and the city of Monroe to re-open the pool next summer.
- Dr. Martin met with the Monroe High School Student Council today. They had a very open and frank discussion about the high school; some of their concerns and expectations for the upcoming school year; and some of the projects and activities they will be working on. Dr. Martin will meet with them on a monthly basis throughout the school year.
- Monroe High School will host Monroe Pride Night on Thursday, September 26, 5:00-8:00 PM. There will be games and food for fundraising activities for literacy. The event is sponsored by Friendly Ford Lincoln of Monroe which will donate \$20 to Monroe High School for every Lincoln

test drive that night. There will be several Lincolns on site to test drive, and every test drive will buy a book. Dr. McLeod commented that Monroe Pride Night is directly aligned with their school improvement efforts. Monroe Middle School has an initiative that is similar. They are talking about building classroom libraries at the secondary level with increased focus on literacy and reading skills for our high school and middle school students. The idea of every test drive buys a book, is really about putting more books in our high school so that students have books of high interest available to them so we can increase the level of intervention and literacy.

- Monroe High School will have their Homecoming on Friday, October 11. Several students will be at the next Board meeting to tell us about preparations for Homecoming.
- Dr. McLeod extended an invitation to the Board for the MHS staff tailgate this Friday prior to the football game.

Old Business

Mr. Yeo commented on the positive changes happening at the high school. There is an expectation that is being set at the staff level and student level.

New Business

Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor questioned if the football game against Lansing-Sexton was part of our league; and she was concerned because of the distance that students had to travel. Dr. Ray stated that in order to make state finals in football, you must have six victories. In our conference we have six big schools and six small schools. We play five schools that are our size and one small school. Dr. Ray then has to find three other schools to play to have a complete season. This is very difficult, because teams don't want to play against someone if they don't feel they can win. Dr. Ray is constantly looking for teams to play. We are committed to Lansing-Sexton for another year.

Public Commentary-Any Topic

There was none at this time.

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. VanWasshenova; support by Dr. March that the September 10, 2013, Board Meeting #16 of the Monroe Public Schools Board of Education be adjourned.

Vote: Motion carried by a 7-0 hand vote at 7:48 p.m.

June Knabusch-Taylor, Secretary

REPORTS AND UPDATES

BOARD COMMITTEES/OTHER REPORTS

- September 9, 2013 Board Personnel Committee Minutes
- September 16, 2013 Board Curriculum Committee Minutes

Monroe Public Schools Board Personnel Committee Meeting Minutes

Date of Meeting: September 9, 2013

Present: June Knabusch-Taylor, Aaron Mason, Barry Martin
Julie Everly, Ryan McLeod and Holly Scherer,

Next Meeting: October 7, 2013

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 5:05 PM.
2. **Minutes:** August meeting minutes previously approved.
3. **Public Commentary:** none
4. **Staffing updates:** Dr. McLeod shared with the committee the proposal of Administration to bring back Mary Bullard to a part time interim position in the Media Center at MHS for the upcoming school year. Previously it was discussed with this committee that the position was 'under review'. With that position being vacated at the end of the school year, administration wanted to have time to discuss the responsibilities for that position and get input from the new building principal before making a final decision. This transition plan will allow us a bridge from now until a decision can be made to keep or remove that position. Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor requested clarification on what Mrs. Bullard's duties would be. Dr. McLeod responded that her role this year will not significantly change. She would be responsible for media center orders; taking care of accountability for textbooks; acting as online mentor for Japanese/Ivan classes; consulting with teachers on research and other technology needs. Mr. Mason asked who is in media center now and Dr. McLeod shared that the instructional assistants are keeping the media center open. Dr. McLeod shared that the plan would be to return this position in the range of \$26,000, which would be the amount Mrs. Bullard would be limited to by the Office of Retirement Services. This transition plan will allow Mrs. Orr to have conversations with Mrs. Bullard about their visions for the media center. Mrs. Orr has ideas that she would like that person to take on some technology coaching responsibilities, using tech in classroom for learning; as we have a number of teachers who still struggle in that area. There has also been discussion about growing the Virtual/Online learning piece, which is one area the state is pushing for through best practice standards. Mrs. Bullard also has expertise with Michigan Virtual and has the ability to work with other teachers who have interest to do more online. Mrs. Bullard will be brought in as an interim, paid on a week by week basis, there will be no contract so if needs change we have that flexibility. This will be a short term transition plan so Mrs. Orr can create a vision for what the media center will look like. Dr. McLeod shared that he has had conversations with the Teachers Union and they are aware of this transition plan. The committee is also in support of this transition plan.

Mrs. Everly gave an update on the Great Start Readiness Program, what we call our Discovery Preschool Classrooms. The ISD now oversees that grant for the County and because our district has many of the free-reduced lunch students in the County, we are getting several of the slots. Staying as cost neutral as we can, the district will be using those funds to offer three whole day preschools; and four half-day sessions. With the full day classrooms, the standard class size takes up 16 slots and if we want to offer a full day the state will give us additional 16 FTE to keep those same students for the full day. Mrs. Everly reported that all sections are full and we have a waiting list. We anticipate these programs to be a feeder system to our Young 5 and Kindergarten classes next

year. She also shared that we had interest from our internal teachers, so Mrs. Everly and Mrs. Sandefur will be joining the Riverside staff this year to teach Discovery.

Mrs. Scherer reported that Substitute Teacher Staffing will now be provided through EduStaff. This will continue to be a County-Wide initiative. The County was contracting with PCMI; however their contract ended on June 30th and it was anticipated that their rates were going to increase significantly. As a result the ISD formed a committee to review the options for Staffing Companies and held meetings with several different companies. The committee recommendation was to move forward with EduStaff; whose rate is anticipated to be 16.5%, which was less that PCMI was proposing.

5. **Shared Services:** Dr. McLeod shared that the CTE Coordinator at the ISD has resigned, and the ISD would like to have discussions with our district on the possibility of purchasing the services of Bill Ferrara and sharing a CTE director position. He noted that Mr. Ferrara has significant area of expertise with CTE and sharing those services would be in his area of strength; he would however need to give up his AP duties. Mr. Mason questioned if this would be the best decision for our district, if it would strengthen Mr. Ferrara in his position with CTE. Dr. Martin shared that the ISD is working to form a CTE consortium, so if Mr. Ferrara was actively involved with that, it would likely be to the advantage of our district to be on the inside track. We would want his involvement to be advantageous and protect our programs and district with the goals of keeping our classes full and build other options with the college.

Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor cautioned that we should be careful about the amount of time the ISD would be requesting. Mr. Mason expressed concern with what the ISD will do to support this position; since it was a full time position there that they will be filling. Dr. McLeod brought this topic to get the opinion from this Committee on whether there would be support to have these conversations. Dr. McLeod agreed that we don't want to take conversations any further until we have a sense it's something we would want as a district. The committee is in support of Administration pursuing the options.

Mr. Mason questions how would we fill that AP gap at our school? Dr. McLeod shared that there are a number of conversations about what that could look like. Replacing that on a full time basis would not be cost effective, but Mrs. Orr does have some experience with a Dean of Students type position. The position could handle the day to day low level student discipline, which would free up the current Assistant Principals to take on the instructional leadership role. Under this scenario administration would think this would be a significant savings for the district. Dr. McLeod would envision that a Dean position would be full time; exempt position, similar to our in-house coordinators. Mrs. Everly added that whatever the plan would be, the administration would show fiscal savings. She would anticipate that some of our existing non-certified people apply for that -- perhaps some of our stronger assistants, clerical, or even some of our retired staff might be interested. Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor suggested that administration consider how that could this Dean of Student position might fit in with the restructure of the counseling areas.

6. **HR Approaches to Fiscal Concerns:** Mrs. Everly wanted to bring back to the table, from the HR perspective that we continue to look for opportunities to bring back to the board options to reduce spending. She noted we continued to have conversations with the non-certified staff, as we see other districts more and more looking into privatization of these groups. Thinking about our non-instructional groups like clerical, lunch assistants, bus assistants, etc., administration wanted to bring that up again tonight.

Mr. Mason shared, that he would not be opposed to getting the information, but he does have reservations as we start reviewing groups which are closer to the student side. Mrs. Everly shared that thinking about all groups; almost all groups are right in with the students. She noted that this is a sensitive topic; but with the district facing fiscal pieces and reviewing all the options – we are living on our fund balance and we need to look at strategies. Mrs. Everly also noted that for some of our groups, such as the Assistants and Drivers, they are looking at such deep concessions to keep their positions; in some cases privatization seemed bleak, but with this scenario the employees may see more in their pockets from another company. Mrs. Everly shared with the committee that our Child Care staff is now contracted, and most are seeing an increase in their take home checks. Within this group, most aren't here long enough to vest with the retirement system to see the benefit of that; and many assistants are in the same position. While no decisions will be reached today, since these hard conversations are coming, Administration wanted to bring this topic up again with this group.

Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor requested clarification on how much the district can do with bargaining to force a settlement. Dr. McLeod shared that the district is on that path as we are now moving toward fact finding; where that person will make a recommendation on a fair settlement. Ultimately the fact finder report becomes the justification for whatever happens after that. A deadline will come, probably around February, when the Board will be able to impose a contract if an agreement is not reached prior to that time. On a positive note, Mrs. Everly shared that administration is pleased with conversations this year with the union leadership and progress toward problem solving has been good.

Another cost-saving measure Mrs. Everly noted was that whenever Administration sees an opportunity due to enrollment changes, we will reduce positions. She reported that one additional teaching position at Raisinville has now be reduced.

7. **Old Business:**

None noted

8. **New Business:**

Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor asked for an updated on the number of splits at each building? Mrs. Everly will put together that information and will share in the next board briefs. Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor asked how enrollments were looking. Dr. Martin reported that we will have better information to share at the end of the week; forecasts are unfortunately showing decrease. There was some discussion on parochial enrollments and Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor was going to look into gathering that information.

Mrs. Everly added kudos to the transportation department, administrators, and teachers for how we get over 4000 kids to and from school. She noted that we did have a few misplaced students, but everyone has worked together to make a smooth beginning for the school year. Adjustments in the starting/ending times at Custer were made this year; and she reported that today we had all buses on the road by 4:05 PM.

Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor expressed her concern with costs involved for our football team to travel to Lansing. Dr. McLeod shared that those are costs paid for by the Athletic fund, and he noted that we struggle to be able to find teams willing to play us, due to our size. There was discussion on the

need to have a certain number of games, to be eligible for the play-off situation. Dr. McLeod will ask Dr. Ray for an outline of how he does that scheduling and will share in board briefs.

Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor asked if the Athletic Department was off to a good start; and if all the pre-season meetings had taken place. Dr. McLeod indicated that those meetings have taken place as were expected to be.

Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor noted concern that kids pay to play, pay for uniforms, people work to support the team; and that she was resentful if the parents are individually being asked to support dinners. She would like to know where the line is drawn, to where activities are held; and has concerns with groups meeting at individual family homes. Not every house can hold that, or afford to do that and she suggested that we think about doing more activities where parents bring to school. Mrs. Everly noted they will add this concern to their conversations with Dr. Ray.

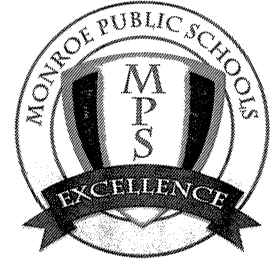
9. **Future Agenda Items:**

None noted

10. **Next Meeting:** October 7, 2013 @ 5:00 PM

11. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 PM.

Monroe Public Schools Board Curriculum Committee



Date of Meeting: September 16, 2013
Next Meeting: October 21, 2013

- 1) **Call to Order:** Ryan McLeod called the meeting to order at 4:50 p.m.
- 2) **In Attendance:** Julie Everly, June Knabusch, Tedd March, Barry Martin, Ryan McLeod, Alex Schukow, Larry VanWasshenova, Otto Zillgitt
- 3) **Minutes:** *The August 19, 2013 minutes were approved at the August 27, 2013 Board of Education Meeting.*
- 4) **Public Commentary:** None
- 5) **Classroom Libraries and Book Sets:**
 - a) **ELA Purchase Update:** The teachers and principals who brought this to the Curriculum Committee are working on a proposal which takes sharing between classrooms into consideration. We anticipate this proposal will be complete before the next meeting. Julie and Ryan will include it in the board briefs for review.
 - b) **PTO/Community Projects/Monroe Pride Night:** In an effort to build classroom libraries at MHS, Monroe Friendly Ford/Lincoln has agreed to donate \$20.00 for every adult who test drives a Lincoln at the Monroe Pride Night on Thursday, September 26 from 5 to 8 p.m. This event will be much like a carnival with games and activities for students of all ages.
- 6) **AP Science Textbooks:** Otto Zillgitt and Alex Schukow, AP Biology and Chemistry teacher, are requesting consideration for an adoption of new AP Biology textbooks. The current AP Biology textbook copyright date is 2001. The AP Board recommends that an AP textbook is less than 10 years old.

Mr. Schukow went to an AP conference this summer to review the latest recommendations in textbooks. At the AP Conference, they highly recommended Biology, 9th Edition, by Campbell, Reece© this textbook has a 2011 copyright date. The cost of 38 textbooks with shipping and handling will be \$6134.25. We currently have 36 students in the program. The committee had questions that Mr. Zillgitt and Mr. Schukow will be researching.
- 7) **GSRP Update:** Mrs. Everly referenced discussions of the expansion of the GRSP/Discovery Preschool program. Now, we have three all day classrooms. The program has a furniture purchase that shall be covered by the grant.

- 8) **Student-Centric Grant:** We have a team in the district working many extra hours on weekends, evenings, and before and after school on a grant that is focused upon closing the achievement gap for African American males. Through a data study, we have identified specific areas in the elementary school data that show growth in the achievement of African American males over and above that of all students. The grant also requires applicants to demonstrate that our schools have autonomy and engage in site-based decision making. The amount that will be awarded for the grant is \$1000.00 per FTE, which will be close to 4 million dollars.

We know of only eight other schools in the state who have applied for this grant. The turnaround for the application process is short. The application has to be submitted by September 30th. We will know the results by November 20th. The funds will be available in December. We are lucky to have such a dedicated team of people working on this.

- 9) **Fall Parent Survey:** We are in the process of working with Bobb Vergiels on several projects. He will be drafting a parent survey. We will use the information in many areas. We would like to know what our customers value and what is important to them. The survey is also a part of a comprehensive marketing plan. Mr. VanWasshenova requested that the committee review the survey prior to distribution.

- 10) **School Improvement Plans:** All Michigan schools had to submit their School Improvement Plans by September 1, 2013. Our schools met this deadline, and there is a tight alignment between the building plans and the district plan.

- 11) **Professional Development Plan:** The Professional Development calendar was distributed. As always, our Board Members are welcome to attend these opportunities. Coaching is a continued piece of our professional development. For the best results, we will layer the coaching as continuing development for all of our teams. For example, Kathleen Kryza will be working with a group of teachers at Monroe High School to continue coaching on differentiated instruction. Monthly, Julie and Ryan are coaching the new teachers to support their classroom efforts.

- 12) **Old Business:** Mr. VanWasshenova made a request to see the results from Pearson Inform in order to get a broader view of school performance. He is interested to know if a particular school is scoring better than the others, then figure out why and what they are doing differently.

Mrs. Knabusch requested a report on how many students are taking Spanish and passing with a D. She is interested in knowing of these students receiving D's, how many go onto the next segment of Spanish.

- 13) **New Business:** Ryan reported that the Student Centric Grant could be \$1000.00 per student for the entire district. The district is eligible for this grant based on the elementary student achievement data and curriculum. Ryan reported that the district does not have a progress monitoring tool for secondary education. One of the items that will be coming to the board is a monitoring tool named "iReady" that can be used for monitoring secondary reading and math proficiency levels. Julie and Ryan both indicated the urgency towards obtaining this student achievement information.

14) **Adjournment:** Ryan McLeod adjourned the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

**MONROE MIDDLE SCHOOL AND MONROE HIGH SCHOOL
 i-READY PROGRESS MONITORING TOOL**

BACKGROUND

Currently, the middle school is using the SRI and SMI assessments which provide a single number to indicate the level of student performance on the assessments. The high school does not have an assessment that they use in order to track student progress in these areas. MHS has relied on a student's 8th grade scores to determine needed reading and math interventions as they enter MHS and then the next report of performance they receive is the ACT/MME in 11th. Neither the current assessments used at MMS or the lack of assessments at MHS allow us to appropriately determine and track the learning progress of our students.

The purchase of iReady will replace the current assessments at MMS and will provide MHS with much needed information about the reading and math proficiency and progress of their students.

The iReady K-12 diagnostic tool is a cross-grade-level assessment that was built for the Common Core. The assessments are adaptable so as students' answer questions, the program increases or decreases the level of difficulty based on the correctness of the student's previous answer. The adaptability feature allows students to spend 30-45 minutes taking the assessment and provides valid and reliable growth measure. iReady also provides teachers with a series of interim assessments that can be used to monitor the progress of students on a regular basis. The easy-to-read reports pinpoint students' abilities and areas of need down to the sub-skill level and provide educators with a detailed action plan and resources for differentiated instruction. Reports assist district and school leaders in allocating resources and support teachers in providing effective whole-class, small-group, and individual instruction.

ENCLOSURE

The price quote from Curriculum Associates for i-Ready Diagnostic Reading and Math progress monitoring tools and the i-Ready Diagnostic and Instruction Training for MMS and MHS.

RECOMMENDATION

Move to approve the purchase of i-Ready Progress Monitoring Tool for MMS and MHS at a cost of \$34,203.50. Money for this purchase will come from the Secondary Curriculum Account.

MOTION: _____ **SUPPORT:** _____ **ACTION:** _____

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor	_____	_____	_____	_____
Dr. March	_____	_____	_____	_____
Mr. Mason	_____	_____	_____	_____
Mr. Philbeck	_____	_____	_____	_____
Ms. Spicer	_____	_____	_____	_____
Mr. VanWasshenova	_____	_____	_____	_____
Mr. Yeo	_____	_____	_____	_____

**MONROE HIGH SCHOOL
AP BIOLOGY TEXTBOOK**

BACKGROUND

The purchase of new Advanced Placement Biology books will assist us in fulfilling the College Board requirements for offering the advanced placement course. One of the requirements is the use of a textbook that has been published within the last ten years. Our current book is over ten years old and does not meet this requirement. The new textbook purchase includes an online version of the book, which will be available for students to login and use, as well as a variety of other resources.

We will be purchasing the hardcopy of the 10th edition textbook which will be shipped in January 2014. Between now and January, our students will have access to the e-version the 9th edition which was originally published in 2011.

ENCLOSURE

The Pearson cost proposal for the AP textbooks “Biology, 10th Edition, by Campbell, Reece 2013.”

RECOMMENDATION

Move to approve the purchase of the AP Biology textbooks from Pearson at a cost not to exceed \$7,000.00. Money for this purchase will come from the Secondary Curriculum Textbook account.

MOTION: _____ **SUPPORT:** _____ **ACTION:** _____

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor	_____	_____	_____	_____
Dr. March	_____	_____	_____	_____
Mr. Mason	_____	_____	_____	_____
Mr. Philbeck	_____	_____	_____	_____
Ms. Spicer	_____	_____	_____	_____
Mr. VanWasshenova	_____	_____	_____	_____
Mr. Yeo	_____	_____	_____	_____

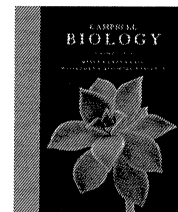
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