

**Monroe-Gregg Board of School Trustees  
Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
Administration Office  
January 19, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Monroe-Gregg Board of School Trustees began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by current President, Mrs. Celina Clements at 6:36 P.M., in the Administration Office conference room. Board members in attendance were: Mr. Jack Elliott, Mr. Brock Sears, Mr. Tom Kennedy and Mr. Tim Pridemore. Superintendent, Dr. Kirk Freeman; Mr. Steve Harris, School Attorney; Mr. Brett Everett, Maintenance Director and MGTA Representative Ashley Stephens were also present.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no comments on agenda items.

**CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

The motion was made by Mr. Elliott to approve the executive session and regular board meeting minutes of December 14, 2021 and executive session and regular board meeting minutes of January 11, 2021 as presented. Mr. Sears seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

**CONSIDERATION OF CLAIMS**

Mr. Pridemore made the motion to approve claims #3612 through #3744 as presented in the amount of \$2,288,742.12. Seconded by Mr. Kennedy, the motion carried 5-0.

**CONSIDERATION OF PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS**

Dr. Freeman recommended the Board approve the Personnel Report as presented. Mr. Kennedy made the motion to approve all personnel recommendations. The motion was seconded by Mr. Elliott, motion carried 5-0 as presented.

**NEW MILEAGE RATE**

Mr. Sears made the motion to approve the new mileage rate of 56 cents per mile, effective January 1, 2021. Mr. Pridemore seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

**PERMISSION TO TRANSFER APPROPRIATIONS**

Mr. Elliott made the motion to approve transfer of appropriations; seconded by Mr. Kennedy. The motion carried 5-0.

**PERMISSION TO TRANSFER REVENUE TO RAINY DAY FUND**

Mr. Kennedy made a motion to approve the resolution allowing the transfer of revenue to the Rainy Day Fund. Mr. Sears seconded and the motion passed 5-0.

**RESOLUTION FOR INVESTMENT AND CHECKING INTEREST**

Mr. Pridemore made the motion to approve investment and checking interest money be receipted in Rainy Day Fund each month. The motion was seconded by Mr. Elliott and carried 5-0.

**BOARD POLICY UPDATES AND CHANGES – FIRST READ**

No action required or taken at this time. The Board will review the policies and Dr. Freeman will ask for approval at the February Board meeting.

**CONSIDERATION OF DONATION FROM MONROVIA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

The Monrovia Alumni Association donated money to each building in the following amount: \$400 to the High School and \$300 each to the Middle School and Elementary School. Dr. Freeman thanked the Alumni Association for their generosity and expressed his appreciation for their continued support to Monroe-Gregg School District. Mr. Sears made the motion to accept the donation, seconded by Mr. Kennedy. Motion carried 5-0.

**OTHER**

The U.S. Congress did not extend the Families First Coronavirus Response Act. Human Resource Coordinator, Corey Lewis recommended the school district continue paid sick leave for classified employees. This pertains to COVID-19 and will be effective January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021. Mr. Lewis' detailed recommendation is attached. Mr. Pridemore made a motion to accept the recommendation as presented, seconded by Mr. Kennedy. Motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Freeman presented a "Memorandum of Understanding" between M-GSD and MGTA, allowing the district to continue paid leave pertaining to COVID-19. This MOU would be effective January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021 for all certified employees. Mr. Elliott made the motion to approve the MOU agreed upon with the MGTA. Mr. Sears seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

New banners were shared with the Board by Dr. Freeman highlighting the success and recognition Monrovia High School is having. The High School leads the state in AP Classes; was designated a Purple Star School; and was recognized as an "A" school for 2020.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Sears made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Elliott. Mrs. Clements, Board President adjourned the meeting at 6:52 P.M.



Mrs. Celina Clements, Board President



Mr. Tim Pridemore, Board Secretary