

**Monroe-Gregg Board of School Trustees
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Administration Office
July 10, 2023**

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 School Board President, Mr. Tom Kennedy, at 6:41 P.M. in the Administration Office. Board members in attendance included Mr. Brock Sears and Mr. Jack Elliott. Superintendent, Dr. Kirk Freeman, Assistant Superintendent, Mr. John Crum, and School Board Attorney, Mr. Steve Harris, were present. MGTA Representatives, Mrs. Casey Honkomp and Ms. Julie Dimmack, were also present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Mr. Elliott made a motion to approve the Executive Session & Regular Board Meeting Minutes from June 12, 2023 and the Special Meeting Minutes from June 21, 2023. Mr. Sears seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

CONSIDERATION OF CLAIMS

Mr. Sears made a motion to approve the claims presented in the amount of \$3,685,959.42. Seconded by Mr. Elliott, the motion carried 3-0. Mr. Kennedy acknowledged the claims were higher due to bond payments.

CONSIDERATION OF CERTIFIED PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

Mr. Elliott made a motion to approve as presented. Mr. Sears seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

CONSIDERATION OF CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

Mr. Sears made a motion to approve as presented. Mr. Elliott seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

CONSIDERATION OF ECA PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

Mr. Elliott made a motion to approve as presented. Mr. Sears seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

CONSIDERATION OF CONTRACTED PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

Mr. Elliott made a motion to approve as presented. Mr. Sears seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

CONSIDERATION OF BUS PURCHASE

Mr. Perry McCubbins submitted a request to purchase a new bus to replace the bus that was recently totaled in May. The district has a \$1,000.00 deductible, and the replacement value of the totaled bus was \$100,000.00. The total cost for the district for the new bus will be \$41,725.00. Mr. Elliott made a motion to approve the purchase. Mr. Sears seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

CONSIDERATION OF FOOD SERVICE BUDGET

Food service provider, Taher, Inc. submitted their proposed food service operating budget for the 2023-2024 school year. Mr. Sears made a motion to approve the budget for the 2023-2024 school year. Mr. Elliott seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

CONSIDERATION OF ECA TREASURERS

Mr. Elliott made a motion to approve Ms. Jessica Elliott, Mrs. Brooke Morford, and Mrs. Amy Cox as the ECA Treasurers for the 2023-2024 school year. Mr. Sears seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

CONSIDERATION OF BOARD NOT TO HEAR EXPULSION APPEALS

This is a decision that is made annually. The Board supports the Administrators and the Hearing Officer's decisions regarding student expulsions. Mr. Sears made a motion to not hear student expulsion appeals. The motion was seconded by Mr. Elliott and carried 3-0.

CONSIDERATION OF MONROVIA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HANDBOOK UPDATES

Assistant Principal, Mrs. Kelly Tucker, submitted updates for the 2023-2024 Monrovia Elementary School Handbook. Mr. Elliott made a motion to approve as presented. Mr. Sears seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

PERMISSION TO ACCEPT THE 2024 BUDGET CALENDAR & ADVERTISE

Mr. Sears made a motion to approve as presented. Mr. Elliott seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

CONSIDERATION OF ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS PROPOSAL

The Indiana Business Research Center at Indiana University submitted a school enrollment projection proposal over a 10 year period by grade level. The cost to the district will be \$15,000.00. Dr. Freeman stated an updated analysis is needed to help the district better prepare and determine appropriate infrastructure and construction needs. Mr. Elliott made a motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Sears seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

FIRST READ NEOLA BOARD POLICY UPDATES- VOLUME 35, NO. 2

School Board policy changes and updates were presented to the Board for consideration. Dr. Freeman will ask for approval of these updates at the August 14th meeting. Board action is not required at this time.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

Mr. Kennedy stated the Monrovia Town Council reached out to him regarding the Redevelopment Commission. Per statute, a school board member must act as an advisor to the Redevelopment Commission. Mr. Elliott made a motion to appoint Mr. Kennedy as the advisor. Mr. Sears seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

Dr. Freeman shared that the Teacher Evaluation Committee met to finalize the evaluation process. He stated meaningful discussions have occurred with a focus on student learning.

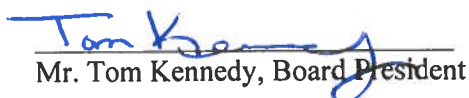
Mr. Kennedy inquired about the elementary roof project. Assistant Superintendent, Mr. Crum, shared that he anticipates the project to be completed next week which will mean the project concluded a few weeks ahead of schedule. Mr. Crum confirmed no unexpected costs came up during the completion of the project.

FINAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no final public comments.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Elliott made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Sears. The meeting was adjourned at 6:57 P.M. by School Board President, Mr. Tom Kennedy.


Mr. Tom Kennedy, Board President


Mr. Brock Sears, Board Secretary