

**Monomoy Regional School District - Monomoy Regional School Committee  
Special MRSC Meeting Minutes for Monday, April 3, 2023 at 7:30 PM  
Monomoy Regional High School Library - 75 Oak Street, Harwich, MA 02645**

**This meeting was broadcast to Channel 22 as well as live-streamed/recorded to the [MRSC YOUTUBE CHANNEL](#)**

**Members present:** Jackie Zibrat-Long, Chair; Terry Russell; Betty Gray; Jessica Rogers; Scotti Finnegan; Sharon Stout.

**Members not present:** Tina Games; Meredith Henderson

**Administrators present:** Scott Carpenter, Superintendent; Marc Smith; Michael MacMillan; Melissa Maguire; Joy Jordan

**A. Call to Order** The meeting was called to order at 7:33 PM by Chair Zibrat-Long.

**B. Public Comment** Chair Zibrat-Long opened Public Comment for those wishing to express their thoughts on the April 2023 student trip to Paris, France. Ms. Zibrat-Long also noted that comments/questions would be taken during the meeting given the nature of the discussion.

Robbin Kelley and Stephanie Goley addressed the committee with their thoughts on the trip at this time.

**C. Discussion**

**i. Student Trip To Paris, France over April Break 2023**

Chair Zibrat-Long opened the floor for discussion on the matter asking committee members to share their thoughts. Each had an opportunity to express their concerns for both allowing the trip to take place and potentially canceling the trip. Members discussed the potential risk of pivoting a group of that size through crowded streets, street and railway closures, monument closures, and accessible transportation options for the group. The committee also discussed the financial implications of canceling the trip and options for seeing that families are made whole as the cancelation policy only ensures a refund of 75%. Families in attendance asked how Chaperones were feeling about the trip and MRHS Principal Jen Police addressed that question by stating some were apprehensive and some would still commit to the trip if not canceled.

After members had an opportunity to express their concerns and families in attendance had no further comment, Chair Zibrat -Long asked if there was motion on the floor. After an initial motion and amendment, the final motion was offered:

**D. Action Item - Vote Required**

**i. Student Trip To Paris, France over April Break 2023**

**MOTION:** Terry Russell moved to rescind approval as originally granted on October 2, 2021 for the student trip to Paris, France over April break 2023 due to civil unrest and strikes. The motion was seconded by Sharon Stout.

**UNANIMOUS** the motion passes.

**E. Adjournment**

**MOTION:** Jessica Rogers moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Terry Russell.

**UNANIMOUS** the meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Leah Tambolleo  
Recording Secretary