
**MONROE-GREGG SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES of the REGULAR BOARD MEETING
for the SCHOOL BOARD of TRUSTEES**

DATE: Monday, February 10, 2025 TIME: 6:30 P.M.

LOCATION: Administration Office

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. Ky Kizzee, at 6:30 P.M. in the Administration Office. Board members in attendance included Mr. Kevin Blundell, Mr. Brock Sears, Mr. Jack Elliott and Mr. Tom Kennedy. Superintendent, Mr. Trent Provo; Corporation Treasurer, Mrs. Moriah Crane; and School Board Attorney, Mr. Steve Harris, were present. The following administrators, Mr. Mike Springer, Mrs. Brandy Hyatt, and Mrs. Melissa York were present. In addition, MGTA representatives, Mrs. Casey Honkomp, and Mrs. Julie Dimmack were also present.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH RECOGNITION

Student recognition awards are sponsored by the Monrovia Alumni Association each month. In addition, the McDonalds (off of 70/39) honored each student with a meal coupon. The February 2025 award recipients were Abigail Grismore and Kennadi Smith from elementary; Rayna Moryn from middle school; and Makayla Matney from high school.

SPECIAL EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS

Mr. Dustin Robinson presented an overview of the Special Education Department.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Elliott to approve the minutes for the Regular Board meeting from January 13, 2025; along with the Work Session meeting from January 30, 2025. Mr. Sears seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION OF CLAIMS

Mr. Provo presented outstanding claims in the amount of \$749,918.19 and payroll vouchers in the amount totaling \$780,490.96. The individual payroll vouchers were for the following amounts: \$362,205.24 from January 17, 2025 and \$418,285.72 from January 31, 2025. Mr. Kennedy made a motion to approve the claims and payroll vouchers as presented. Mr. Blundell seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION OF CERTIFIED PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

Mr. Sears made a motion to approve the recommendations. Mr. Elliott seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION OF CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

Mr. Kennedy made a motion to approve the recommendations. Mr. Blundell seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION OF ECA PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

Mr. Sears made a motion to approve the recommendations. Mr. Elliott seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

RESOLUTION TO APPOINT REAL ESTATE APPRAISER

Mr. Provo ask that the board approve the resolution to obtain an additional appraisal of the Grindean property. Mr. Elliott made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Mr. Sears seconded and the motion carried 4-1; with Mr. Kennedy dissenting.

CONSIDERATION OF RENTING OF PROPERTY

Mr. Provo asked that the board approve the recommendation to advertise for a bid process for the rental of M-GSD property. This property has tillable acres that could be farmed. Mr. Provo explained the bid process and the plan to award the bid at the next board meeting. The bid opening would be planned for Monday, March 3, 2025. Mr. Provo mentioned that in the bid it will state that not all of the 20 acres are tillable and that the interested bidders may schedule a time with staff to walk the property. Mr. Kennedy made a motion to approve the recommendations. Mr. Elliott seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION OF AGREEMENT WITH ENERGY HARNESS FOR UPGRADES TO LED LIGHTING

Mr. Provo asked that the board approve the recommendation to continue our LED lighting project. This phase would be for the middle school/high school interior, elementary exterior, exterior building packs, and refreshing old LED lighting areas. This will be coming out of the bond fund. Mr. Chaffee was present for any additional questions. Mr. Kennedy made a motion to approve the recommendation. Mr. Blundell seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION OF NEXT PHASE OF FACILITY STUDY

Mr. Provo stated that on January 30, 2025 the Board meet for a work session meeting to have interested firms give a presentation to the board on a facility study for our school corporation. Mr. Provo wanted to open up a discussion with the board members on the next step of the facility study. There was a recommendation made to have the top three firms return for a second presentation to focus on two elements. First, focus on what does the site facility study currently look like as far as maintaining, maintenance, and future schedule of repair timelines. Secondly, focus on future growth projections and facility needs based on the projected growth. The plan is to allow the top firms a 45-minute window for their second presentation. The board requested that Mr. Provo contact SitelogIQ in order to receive some clarification on the cost and bottom line of the construction process phase. Mr. Elliott made a motion to request a second presentation from Schmidt and Associates; Gibraltar; Lancer and Associates; and possibly SitelogIQ. Mr. Kennedy seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION OF WRESTLING SEMI-STATE TRIP

Mr. Provo asked that the board approve the overnight trip. Mr. Kennedy made a motion to approve the recommendation. Mr. Sears seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION OF DECA STATE CAREER DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE TRIP

Mr. Provo asked that the board approve the overnight career development trip for DECA. Mr. Elliott made a motion to approve the recommendation. Mr. Kennedy seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE FIELD TRIP

Mr. Provo asked that the board approve the day trip to Chicago for the foreign language field trip in March. Mr. Sears made a motion to approve the recommendation. Mr. Blundell seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

PERMISSION TO SELL FINE ARTS' EQUIPMENT

Mr. Provo asked the board to approve the recommendation to sell the show choir trailer. Mr. Kennedy made a motion to approve the recommendation. Mr. Blundell seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

PERMISSION TO RECEIVE A DONATION TO THE MES ECA ACCOUNT

Mr. Provo asked that the board approve the donation to the elementary ECA account from Marianne Berlin. Mr. Blundell made a motion to approve the recommendation. Mr. Elliott seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

PERMISSION TO RECEIVE DONATIONS TO THE FFA ECA ACCOUNT

Mr. Provo asked that the board approve the generous donations to the FFA ECA account. Mr. Kennedy made a motion to approve the recommendation. Mr. Sears seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

- Singing Stars for December
 - Concert Choir - Rayna Moryn
 - 2nd period 6th grade choir - Makinna Stevens
 - 3rd period 6th grade choir - Colson Pridemore
 - 6th period 7th grade choir - Paige Prater
 - 7th period 6th grade choir -- Jenna Williamson
 - Shooting Stars - Addison Murray
- Singing Stars for January
 - Concert Choir - Hayden Evans
 - 2nd period 6th grade choir . Alaina Honkomp
 - 3rd period 6th grade choir - Joseph Coy
 - 6th period 7th grade choir - Nate Turpin
 - 7th period 6th grade choir -- Olivia Hall
 - Shooting Stars - Wyatt Henry
- FFA Fundraiser Sales
 - Ends February 14th
 - Strawberries / Jams / Sauces / Salsa / Sweet Teas / Specialty Items
 - Estimate - Pick up on March 10th
- Congratulation Girls Basketball
 - Won IHSAA Sectionals 42
 - Regionals: Saturday, February 15th @ 100 PM
- Wrestling Semi-State (February 14th -16th)
 - Regional Qualifiers: Gavin Ash, Isaac Ash, David Bowman, & Haydon Hall
- Mr. Jaynes class -Super Bowl presentations with community broadcasting /journalist feedback
- Core Value – Mission Statement
 - Creation of video by CIESC to go out to the community at a later date
- February 17th Synchronous eLearning Day
- Thursday, February 6th – Donation from Community Foundation of Morgan County \$3000

FINAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mrs. Casey Honkomp mentioned the 5th grade Moana, Jr. musical performances on March 7, 8, & 9.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Elliott made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Sears and motion carried 5-0. The Board President, Mr. Kizzee, adjourned the meeting at 7:18 P.M.



Mr. Ky Kizzee, Board President



Mr. Jack Elliott, Board Secretary