

MONROE PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board Meeting #15

August 26, 2014

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 Dr. Tedd March (arrived at 7:05 p.m.), Trustee Aaron N. Mason, and Trustee Wendy Spicer

Board Members Absent: Trustee Ryan Philbeck

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

Administrators Absent: David Payne

President Yeo called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Mr. Yeo requested a moment of silence in memory of Nancy Boykin who recently passed away.

Public Commentary-Agenda Items Only

There was none at this time.

Approval of Minutes

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

- August 12, 2014 Board Meeting #14

Vote: Motion carried by a 5-0 roll call vote.

Reports and Update

The Informational Report – Contracted Services Recommendations was received. Mrs. Everly introduced the new employees that were in attendance and the Board welcomed them to Monroe Public Schools.

Teacher Appointment

Motion by Mr. VanWasshenova; support by Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor to approve the appointment of Kevin Reina as a teacher with Monroe Public Schools effective August 26, 2014 and place on the appropriate salary level as contained in the Master Agreement, and upon completion of all pre-employment requirements.

Vote: Motion carried by a 5-0 roll call vote.

Teacher Appointment

Motion by Mr. Mason; support by Dr. March to approve the appointment of Jacquelyn McEnhill as a Teacher with Monroe Public Schools effective August 26, 2014 and place on the appropriate salary level as contained in the Master Agreement, and upon completion of all pre-employment requirements.

Vote: Motion carried by a 6-0 roll call vote.

Coaching Recommendation

Motion by Mr. VanWasshenova; support by Dr. March to approve Ron Motyka as the head coach for 9th

grade football for the 2014/15 school year, as per the MCEA master agreement.

Vote: Motion carried by a 6-0 roll call vote.

Staff Resignation

Motion by Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor; support by Mr. Mason to approve the resignation from Monroe Public Schools of Kristen Williams effective August 19, 2014.

Vote: Motion carried by a 6-0 roll call vote.

Ratification of the Teamster Master Agreement

Motion by Mr. Mason; support by Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor to ratify the Master Agreement for July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2015 between the Teamsters Local 214 Bus Drivers and the Monroe Board of Education effective July 21, 2014.

Discussion: Mr. VanWasshenova was appreciative of the information that was provided. Mrs. Everly noted that the Teamsters rep commented how this group is very different than it was seven years ago; they have grown so much and become organized and focused.

Vote: Motion carried by a 6-0 roll call vote.

Robotics Curriculum - Waterloo

Motion by Mrs. Knabusch-Taylor; support by Mr. VanWasshenova to approve the purchase of the LEGO EV3 Curriculum Materials from LEGO at a cost not to exceed \$11,000.00. Funds for this purchase will come from the elementary curriculum budget.

Discussion: Mrs. McLaughlin, Waterloo principal, noted that letters were sent to several businesses requesting donations to fund this project and received one response stating they were unable to donate at this time. Mrs. Everly commented that there is overwhelming excitement at Waterloo because of the Robotics, the STEAM initiative and the new playground.

Vote: Motion carried by a 6-0 roll call vote.

CTE Book and Software Purchase

Motion by Mr. VanWasshenova; support by Mr. Mason to approve the purchase of textbooks, online components and supporting software for Office Management 1 & 2, Internet & Computer Apps, and Business Law at a total cost, including shipping and handling, of \$14,546.91. This purchase will be funded through a combination of Added Cost and General Fund monies.

Vote: Motion carried by a 6-0 roll call vote.

Teacher Appointment

Motion by Mr. Mason; support by Mr. VanWasshenova to approve the appointment of Kaitlyn McBride as an alternative high school teacher with Monroe Public Schools effective August 26, 2014 and place on the appropriate salary level as contained in the Master Agreement, and upon completion of all pre-employment requirements.

Vote: Motion carried by a 6-0 roll call vote.

Freezer Replacement - MHS

Motion by Mr. Mason; support by Mr. VanWasshenova to approve the replacement of the reach-in freezer at Monroe High School for a cost not to exceed \$4,114. Cost for the freezer will be taken from the 2014/15 Food Service Fund.

Vote: Motion carried by a 6-0 roll call vote.

Superintendent Comments

Dr. Martin thanked the custodial/maintenance and technology staff for their hard work this summer in getting our buildings and technology ready for the new school year. There were a number of major projects this summer that presented some challenges, but everyone seemed to contribute extra effort to making sure things were completed and our buildings are safe and ready to go on September 2nd.

Many staff members came in over the summer on their own time for professional development, student activities and other projects, and we appreciate their giving of their time to improve their own skills and support students throughout the summer.

Dr. Martin mentioned in particular the members of his immediate team and expressed his appreciation for the work they did over the summer. Mrs. Everly and Dr. McLeod did an excellent job with all of the personnel and curriculum issues over the summer including new hiring and professional development. Mr. Oley and his team were on top of all of the summer projects and made sure all jobs were completed in a timely and efficient manner. Mr. Payne and his department spent many hours making sure our technology continued to be well monitored and upgraded throughout the summer so devices and programs were in place and functioning properly for the upcoming school year. Mrs. Eighmey and her staff made it through a successful audit in July that was the result of her skillful management of the district finances. These people are all very dedicated to Monroe Public Schools and it shows in their work on a daily basis.

Dr. Martin is looking forward to a great new school year, although hopefully with less inclement weather. The teachers and principals will be working very hard this week getting ready for open house and making sure their classrooms are ready for students. No doubt that the buildings will be ready for learning and everyone will be off to a good start thanks to their dedication to our students and families.

Open houses began tonight with an open house at MMS which started at 5:30. The high school open house is tomorrow from 5:00 to 6:30 and all elementary open houses are tomorrow also, from 6:00 to 7:30. Orchard has an open house and ice cream social on Thursday from 5:30 to 7:30.

We believe that the new playground structure at Waterloo should be in place by the Waterloo Open House. It will not be ready for use at that time, but at least people should be able to see the results of all of their efforts in the Bridgestone contest this past school year. A ribbon cutting ceremony is planned for the new structure during the open house time on Wednesday.

Old Business

There was none at this time.

New Business

Motion by Mr. Mason; support by Ms. Spicer to approve the resignation from Monroe Public Schools of Erin Goodreau effective August 26, 2014.

Vote: Motion carried by a 6-0 roll call vote.

Mr. Yeo was disappointed that only a few of the newly hired employees attended tonight's meeting.

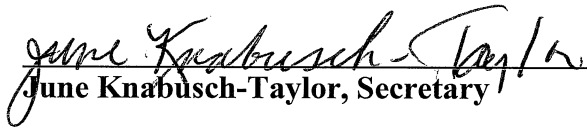
Public Commentary-Any Topic

There was none at this time.

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. VanWasshenova; support by Dr. March that the August 26, 2014, Board Meeting #15 of the Monroe Public Schools Board of Education be adjourned.

Vote: Motion carried by a 6-0 hand vote at 7:34 p.m.


June Knabusch-Taylor, Secretary