

NOVEMBER 2019
MONROE-GREGG SCHOOL BOARD
REPORT

At the November meeting of the Monroe-Gregg School Board of Trustees, Monrovia Middle School Principal Rebecca McPherson shared details of their, "Raising the Bar," program. It is designed to build relationships between students and staff in a variety of ways. The program includes Kindness Initiatives, Positive Reward Systems, Professional Learning and Student Engagement in a variety of fun and challenging ways.

Melissa York, the District Testing Coordinator, offered an update on Curriculum Mapping. Among the items in the Personnel report, stipends were approved for teachers and staff who participated in Crisis Prevention and Intervention Training; Crystal Terrell was hired as a full-time bus driver; several club sponsors and assistant coaches were approved and Olivia Rooker was hired as an Elementary School Teaching Aide.

Claims totaling just over 1.5 million dollars were approved. The Board also approved the recommendation by Superintendent Dr. Kirk Freeman to award all employees a \$1,000.00 bonus with their regular November pay as a reward for their hard work. That recommendation passed 5-0.

Several success stories were shared with the Board. FFA Director Shelby Gore was complimented on the growth and success of her program; The IHSAA sent a letter to Monrovia Athletic Director Todd Evers complimenting Bulldog Athletes on their show of Sportsmanship toward IHSAA officials; The Cheerleaders placed 8th in a recent State competition; The Bulldog Brigade finished 6th at the State ISSMA competition; The Quiz Bowl team has won 2 of their first 3 matches against larger schools and Monrovia Elementary Teacher Casey Honkomp is a WISH-TV Golden Apple Award Winner.

Lastly, students of the Month for November are:

Garrett Harris and Jaiden Starnes at Monrovia Elementary

Grace Linville at Monrovia Middle School

Cole Eastman at Monrovia High School