

**Monroe-Gregg Board of School Trustees  
Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
Administration Office  
March 9, 2009**

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 board president, Nancy Dorsett at 6:35, in the Administration Office conference room. Board members in attendance were: Mr. Jack Elliott, Mr. Scott Everett, Mrs. Nancy Dorsett, Mr. Greg Gore and Mr. James Shields. Also attending were Dr. Jerry Wolfe, Interim Superintendent, Mr. Steve Harris, Corporation Attorney, building principals, Mrs. Michele Moore, representing MGTA, and interested patrons.

**BUILDING INFORMATION AND UPDATES FROM PRINCIPALS**

Mr. Chris Sampson, Monrovia Elementary School principal, was the first speaker. He began by reporting that the Spring ISTEP+ was completed. The elementary school is now in the process of finishing all of the make-up tests. He thanked Drs. Wright and Miller for their pro bono work administering eye exams to all first grades students. Mr. Sampson noted the Read Across America program and thanked the honor roll students who participated in the program.

Mr. Duffy Hagist, Monrovia Junior/Senior high school principal was unable to attend. Mr. Sampson relayed a request, from Mr. Hagist, that board members send their graduation requests to him as soon as possible.

Mrs. Bobbie Jo Monahan, Monrovia Middle School principal, was the final speaker. She distributed copies of the *Monrovia in the Middle* newsletter for March. Mrs. Monahan reported that the make-up ISTEP testing had been completed. She also spoke of the schedule for the PBA days on March 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>, the middle school book fair, and the sports awards.

**CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

The motion to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2009 Regular Board Meeting and the Executive Session of the same date was made by Mr. James Shields seconded by Mr. Scott Everett and carried 5-0.

### **CONSIDERATION OF PERSONNEL**

The motion was made by Mr. James Shields to accept the personnel report as submitted, seconded by Mr. Scott Everett carried 3-2.

### **CONSIDERATION OF CLAIMS**

Dr. Wolfe informed board and audience members that the Corporation Treasurer had been ill for several days and the claims packet was not available until shortly before the meeting. He asked that the board review the claims and notify him of their approval so that vendors could be paid on a timely basis.

The claims packet will be presented for formal approval during the April board meeting.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no comments or questions from the audience members regarding any agenda items.

### **CONSIDERATION OF EARLY COMPLAINT RESOLUTION**

Dr. Wolfe presented this agenda item. He began by explaining that he had met with Mr. Steve Kneiper, the complainant, and they mutually agreed to enter into the Resolution Agreement as part of the U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil rights Early Complaint Resolution process to resolve two of the allegations Mr. Kneiper raised in complaint #05-09-1017.

Dr. Wolfe recommended board approval for this Early Complaint Resolution. The motion to accept this resolution was made by Mr. James Shields and seconded by Mr. Jack Elliott. After discussion and review the motion carried 5-0.

### **CONSIDERATION OF FIFTH GRADE FIELD TRIP TO ST. LOUIS**

The board received a request, from the elementary fifth grade teachers, for a field trip to St. Louis, Missouri on May 21, 2009. The students will visit Cahokia Mounds, the St. Louis Zoo, and the St. Louis Science Center.

The motion to approve the trip was made by Mr. Jack Elliott, seconded by Mr. Greg Gore, and carried 5-0.

**CONSIDERATION OF SUMMER SCHOOL DRIVER EDUCATION PROGRAM**

Dr. Wolfe asked for Board approval for the Summer-2009 Driver Education Program. He noted that the fees were the same as the 2008 Program and that this is “one of the few programs that have paid for itself.”

The motion to approve the Summer School Driver Education Program was made by Mr. Scott Everett, seconded by Mr. Greg Gore and carried 5-0.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The motion to adjourn was made by Mr. James Shields, seconded by Mr. Greg Gore and carried 5-0.

Mrs. Nancy Dorsett, board president, adjourned the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

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Nancy Dorsett, Board President

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Scott Everett, Board Secretary

