

**Monroe-Gregg Board of School Trustees
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Administration Office
July 13, 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 6:39, in the Administration Office conference room. Board members in attendance were: Mr. Jack Elliott, Mr. Scott Everett, Mrs. Nancy Dorsett, Mr. James Shields and Mr. Greg Gore. Also attending were Dr. Julie Wood, Superintendent, Mr. Steve Harris, Corporation Attorney, building administrators, Robin Robinson, MGTA President, and interested patrons.

OATH OF OFFICE

Mr. Steve Harris, School Attorney administered the oath of office to the following five school board members: Nancy Dorsett, Jim Shields, Jack Elliott, Scott Everett, and Greg Gore.

ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

The motion was made by Mr. Greg Gore that the following board members become board officers for the 2009-2010 school year:

Mrs. Nancy Dorsett, President
Mr. Jim Shields, Vice President
Mr. Scott Everett, Secretary

The motion to approve the slate of officers for the 2009-2010 school year was seconded by Jack Elliott and carried 5-0.

APPOINTMENT OF TREASURER

The motion to appoint Melisa M. Bundy as Corporation Treasurer and Christy Carter as Deputy Treasurer was made by Mr. Jim Shields, seconded by Mr. Scott Everett and carried 5-0.

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APPOINTMENT OF SCHOOL ATTORNEY

Dr. Julie Wood recommended that Mr. Steven L. Harris be reappointed as Corporation Attorney from July 1, 2009 through July 1, 2010.

The motion to approve Dr. Wood's recommendation of Mr. Harris as board attorney was made by Mr. Jack Elliott, seconded by Mr. Jim Shields and carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

The motion to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2009 and June 8, 2009. Executive Session Minutes for June 16, 2009 and Special Meeting Minutes from June 16, 2009 was made by Mr. James Shields. Mr. Shields' motion was seconded by Mr. Greg Gore and carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION OF CLAIMS

After consideration and review the motion to approve claims #11673 - #11800 in the amount of \$2,663,677.46 was made by Mr. Scott Everett, seconded by Mr. Jack Elliott and carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION OF PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

The motion was made by Mr. Jim Shields to accept the personnel report as submitted. Mr. Shields' motion was seconded by Mr. Greg Gore and carried 4-1.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

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

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CONSIDERATION OF MIDDLE SCHOOL TEXTBOOK ADOPTION

The board received a request from the Monrovia Middle School's Social Studies Department to approve the recommended textbook adoption for the 2009-2010 school year for grades 6-8.

The motion to approve the proposed textbook adoption was made by Mr. Scott Everett, seconded by Mr. James Shields and carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION OF HIGH SCHOOL TEXTBOOK RENTAL FEES

Dr. Wood recommended the board approve the High School book rental fees as presented for the 2009-2010 school year. The motion to approve the proposed textbook fees was made by Mr. Jack Elliott, seconded by Mr. Scott Everett and carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION OF MIDDLE SCHOOL TEXTBOOK RENTAL

Dr. Wood recommended the board approve the Middle School book rental fees as presented for the 2009-2010 school year. The motion to approve the proposed textbook fees was made by Mr. Scott Everett, seconded by Mr. Jim Shields and carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION OF FIRST GRADE ACHIEVEMENT REPORTING

Elementary Principal, Mr. Chris Sampson asked the board to approve moving from a letter grade system to an achievement reporting system. The checklist of skills reporting would be the same system the Kindergarten is currently utilizing and has been successful. Grades 2 -5 will remain on the current letter-grade system.

Dr. Wood recommended the board accept this recommendation effective August 12, 2009. The motion to accept was made by Mr. Scott Everett, seconded by Mr. Greg Gore and carried 5-0.

REVISION OF BOARD POLICY 5111

Dr. Wood presented board policy 5111 with one additional change pertaining to new law recently passed in the legislature (new policy changes attached).

After some discussion and clarification on what the board would like to see in place, Mr. Jim Shields made the motion to approve Dr. Wood's recommendation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Scott Everett and carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION TO REDUCE SUMMER BAND SALARIES

The Board had several questions regarding the ECA hours and pay. Dr. Wood stated at this time summer band is not reimbursed by the state. We will need to take a look at some different options for 2010.

After much discussion and debating Mr. Jim Shields made the motion to approve the reduction in pay by $\frac{1}{4}$ for Mr. Brian Willett, Band Director and Dr. Lilly, Assistant Band Director. Mr. Greg Gore stated he wanted this issue addressed again before the end of the 2010 school year. Mr. Jack Elliott seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION OF PSYCHOLOGIST CONTRACT

Prior to leaving, Dr. Jerry Wolfe, Interim Superintendent recommended the contract for Rhonda Matt, School Psychologist, for the 2009-2010 school year.

Dr. Wood recommended approval of the contract for Rhonda Matt, School Psychologist for the 2009-2010 school year as presented. Motion by Mr. Greg Gore to approve was seconded by Mr. Jim Shields and the motion carried 5-0.

MAINTENANCE UPDATE

Dr. Wood commended the hard work of our custodial and maintenance staff this summer. Everyone is busy and things are progressing on schedule.

Dr. Wood asked Maintenance Director, Brett Everett to give everyone a maintenance update. Mr. Everett stated the roof project at Hall School will be completed this week.. They did run into some additional problems and he is looking into the options and costs needed to address them.

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REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE THE BUDGET

Dr. Wood asked the board for permission to advertise the 2010 school budget. Motion to approve the advertising was made by Mr. Jack Elliott, seconded by Mr. Jim Shields and carried 5-0.

The Public Hearing for the 2010 Budget is set for Monday, September 28, 2009. The Budget Adoption date is Monday, October 12, 2009.

Dr. Wood presented funding information she received and broke the information down for the board and patrons. She explained what the state said they are projecting and what it really means to Monroe-Gregg.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Nancy Dorsett, Board President, adjourned the meeting at 7:14 p.m.

Nancy Dorsett, Board President

Scott Everett, Board Secretary