

**Monroe-Gregg Board of School Trustees
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Administration Office
August 9, 2010**

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, Jim Shields at 6:30 P.M., in the Administration Office conference room. Board members in attendance were: Mrs. Nancy Dorsett, Mr. Jack Elliott and Mr. Tim Pridemore. Also attending were Dr. Julie Wood, Superintendent, Mr. Steve Harris, Corporation Attorney, Ms. Robin Robinson, representing MGTA, and interested patrons. Board Member, Scott Everett was unable to attend.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

School Board President, Jim Shields called for a motion to approve the minutes of the Executive Session of July 12, 2010; the Regular Meeting Minutes of July 12, 2010 and the Executive Session of August 2, 2010 all in one.

The motion was made by Mr. Jack Elliott to approve all meeting minutes as presented seconded by Mrs. Nancy Dorsett carried 4-0.

CONSIDERATION OF CLAIMS

Mrs. Nancy Dorsett made the motion to approve claims #13116 through #13202 in the amount of \$852,784.20. Mr. Tim Pridemore seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

CONSIDERATION OF PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

The motion to approve the personnel recommendations as presented was made by Mrs. Nancy Dorsett, seconded by Mr. Tim Pridemore, motion carried 3-1, descending vote casted by Mr. Elliott.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Jim Shields, Board President, asked if there were any comments or questions from the audience regarding agenda items. Mr. Randy Marsh, Hall Civic Association President and School Patron addressed the Board regarding the transfer of the Hall School Building to the Hall Civic Association.

The Hall Civic Association is very excited about obtaining the Hall School Building. Mr. Marsh indicated they are planning to make the Hall Building a community building and they are looking into different options and possibilities that will benefit the community.

Monroe-Gregg Teacher Association President, Robin Robinson questioned what the school would be doing with the school's personal property being stored in the Hall Building. Dr. Wood stated that would be addressed later in the meeting (Agenda Item #11 – Transfer of the Hall Building).

LATCH KEY PROGRAM

The Latch Key Program is designed to provide childcare for students before and after school. Sealed bids were taken on July 16, 2010. Mrs. Tammy Denny, Owner of Puzzle Pieces Childcare was the only proposal received by the Monroe-Gregg School District.

Mr. Jack Elliott made the motion to approve the proposal from Puzzle Pieces Childcare as presented, with the option to extend the contract after the first year. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Nancy Dorsett, motion carried 4-0.

SPECIAL EDUCATION SUPPLY FEE

Mrs. Dorsett made the motion to approve the Special Education Supply Fees for the 2010-2011 school year as presented. Mr. Tim Pridemore seconded and the motion passed 4-0.

VOCATIONAL TRANSPORTATION FEE

Do to increased costs for transportation and the cuts in funding, Dr. Wood asked the Board to approve a transportation fee for students attending the vocational school.

Mooresville High School has generously offered to transport Monroe-Gregg students from Mooresville to Ben Davis at no cost to the district. Dr. Wood publicly thanked the Mooresville School District for their assistance. Thanks to Mooresville, the Monroe-Gregg School District is only responsible for the transportation to and from Mooresville.

Mr. Tim Pridemore made the motion to approve the vocational transportation fees for the 2010-2011 school year as presented. Mrs. Nancy Dorsett seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

CANCELLATION OF BEHAVIORAL SPECIALIST CONTRACT

Dr. Wood pulled this item from the Agenda.

FIRST READ OF BOARD POLICY

Dr. Wood reviewed the Board Policy changes and up-dates. She explained from time to time we are sent recommended changes and up-dates from NEOLA, the policy company Monroe-Gregg utilizes. NEOLA provides the district with suggestions, recommendations, and guidelines to insure the district is following any new laws, updates within the law, and various other factors and issues that may present themselves.

Board President, Jim Shields questioned why it was necessary to itemize the various types of harassment, when referring to unlawful harassment being prohibited. School Board Attorney, Mr. Steve Harris explained it is best to use the recommendations provided by NEOLA, due to the fact NEOLA has attorneys who research and study what is in the best interest of school corporations.

Mr. Jack Elliott made the motion to approve the first read of the board policies as presented. Mr. Tim Pridemore seconded, motion carried 4-0.

TRANSFER OF THE HALL BUILDING

Dr. Wood made the recommendation for the transfer of the Hall School Building to the Hall Civic Association, effective immediately.

Mr. Steve Harris gave a brief history regarding the transfer of the Hall Building. He also explained the process that was required and the paperwork needed to complete this transaction. Mr. Harris explained that when deeding a piece of school property from one government agency to another, this can be done with no monetary exchange.

The motion to approve the resolution from the Gregg Township Trustees was made by Mr. Tim Pridemore, seconded by Jack Elliott, motion passed 4-0.

A motion was made by Mr. Jack Elliott to approve the resolution to transfer the Hall School Building to the Hall Civic Association subject to the Personal Property List provided. (See attached list) The Civic Association requested the Hobart Ovens in the kitchen area stay with the building. All other items listed will be removed from the building within 90 days.

Mrs. Nancy Dorsett seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0

On behalf of the Hall Civic Association, Mr. Randy Marsh thanked everyone for their help with this endeavor. They are looking forward to doing some wonderful things for the community and keeping the building up and running with various programs.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Jim Shields, Board President, adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

Jim Shields, Board President

Nancy Dorsett, Board Secretary