

**Monroe-Gregg Board of School Trustees
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Administration Office
January 13, 2014**

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, Mr. Jack Elliott at 6:34 P.M., in the Administration Office conference room. Board members in attendance were: Mrs. Nancy Dorsett, Mr. Scott Everett, Mr. Tim Pridemore, and Mr. Jack Elliott. Also attending were Dr. William Roberson, Superintendent; Kelly Dillon, Corporation Treasurer; and Mr. Steve Harris, Corporation Attorney. Several Monroe-Gregg Administrators and interested patrons were present. Mr. Jim Shields was unable to attend.

REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD

Board Member, Mr. Jack Elliott made the motion to approve Mr. Tim Pridemore as President; Mr. Scott Everett as Vice-president; and Mr. Jack Elliott as Secretary for the 2014 calendar year. Board Member, Scott Everett seconded; motion passed 4-0.

APPOINTMENT OF TREASURER AND DEPUTY TREASURER

Mrs. Dorsett made the motion to approve Kelly Dillon as Corporation Treasurer and Christy Carter as Deputy Treasurer. Mr. Pridemore seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

APPOINTMENT OF BOARD ATTORNEY & CONTRACT

Dr. Roberson recommended the Board approve Mr. Steve Harris as the School Board Attorney and his contract as presented. Motion was made by Mrs. Dorsett, seconded by Mr. Elliott and passed 4-0.

STUDENT RECOGNITION

At this time the Board recognized and commended four students for their outstanding academic performance. Mrs. Melissa York, Elementary Principal recognized Ethan Brawley for a perfect ISTEP score in Math and Caydence McIntyre for her perfect ISTEP score in English Language Arts.

Mrs. Yolanda Goodpaster, Middle School Principal recognized 6th Grader, Ashley Parker for her perfect score in Math on the ISTEP Test. Middle School Student, Andrew Willett, received an award for exemplary effort in Math for his ISTEP scores.

Students and family members were all congratulated by the School Board, Dr. Roberson and principals for their outstanding work and success.

At this time of the meeting, the gavel was turned over to Mr. Pridemore, as the new School Board President.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

The motion was made by Mr. Elliott to approve the regular board meeting minutes of December 9, 2013 as presented. Mrs. Dorsett seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

CONSIDERATION OF CLAIMS

Dr. Roberson explained there was one claim added for Caylor Communications. Mr. Everett made the motion to approve claims #1424 through #1550 in the amount of \$2,106,136.64 as presented with changes. Seconded by Mr. Elliott, the motion carried 4-0.

CONSIDERATION OF PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

Mr. Everett made the motion to approve the personnel recommendations as presented with two additional items. Kim Smith's resignation as the High School Yearbook Sponsor was submitted and accepted. A request to hire Tammy Maginn as an Intermediate Math Teacher for Monrovia Elementary was also submitted for approval. The motion was seconded by Mr. Elliott and carried 4-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

There were no comments on agenda items.

PERMISSION TO TRANSFER APPROPRIATIONS

Mrs. Dorsett made the motion to allow appropriation transfers throughout the calendar year 2014 as needed. Dr. Roberson explained why this might be necessary and the reasons for approving this in advance. The motion also included permission to transfer revenue from the General and Transportation Funds to Rainy Day Fund in December 2013 and calendar year 2014. The motion also included permission to transfer CPF interest to the General Fund for calendar year 2014. Mr. Everett seconded and motion passed 4-0. (Date correction: changed date from 2013 to 2014 on the document printed for signature approval.)

NEW MILEAGE RATE

Mrs. Dorsett made the motion to approve the new mileage rate of 56 cents per mile, effective January 2014. Mr. Everett seconded the motion; motion carried 4-0.

WAIVER REQUEST FOR SNOW DAYS

Due to the extreme weather conditions, Dr. Roberson asked the Board to waive Monday, January 6th as a professional development day for teachers. Mr. Elliott made the motion to approve, seconded by Mrs. Dorsett, motion carried 4-0.

Dr. Roberson asked the Board for permission to apply for a waiver from the state for two snow days, January 7th & 8th. If approved these days will not need to be rescheduled. Mr. Everett made the motion for permission to apply for two instructional days to be waived from the Indiana Department of Education, seconded by Mrs. Dorsett, motion carried 4-0.

A request from Dr. Roberson to change the current calendar and allow students to attend school on January 20th and February 17th in order to make-up lost instructional time due to the extreme weather we have experienced. Mr. Elliott made the motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Everett, motion carried 4-0.

UNITED WAY GRANT APPLICATION PRESENTATION

Elementary Principal, Melissa York presented a power point presentation to the Board regarding the United Way Grant Application. (Power point attached). Following the presentation, Mrs. York asked for permission to apply for the United Way Grant. Mr. Elliott made the motion for permission and Mrs. Dorsett seconded. The motion carried 4-0.

OTHER

Dr. Roberson shared several additional items with the School Board at this time:

A Finance Board Meeting will need to be conducted in the month of January and is scheduled for Wednesday, January 22, 2014 at 4 P.M. A short special regular meeting will also be scheduled for after the board finance meeting to address Common Wage Committee appointments and personnel issues.

Dr. Roberson explained some areas on the school campus that is being considered for renovations. He asked the board for permission to move forward with obtaining appointments to the common wage committee and to obtain bids for a sports complex. Mr. Everett made the motion for permission to move forward and Mr. Elliott seconded. The motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Everett made a motion giving Dr. Roberson permission to apply for a \$500,000 interest free, no tax increase, QZAB Loan. Mr. Elliott seconded, motion carried 4-0.

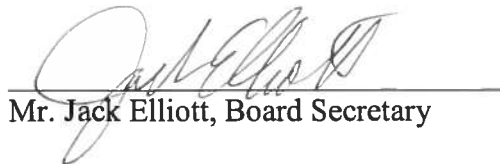
Mrs. York concluded the meeting by recognizing and congratulating Mrs. Marianne Berlin, Monrovia Elementary Librarian for her hard work and dedication to the Monroe-Gregg School District. Mrs. Berlin recently was awarded \$7,500 in grant money. Thanks to Mrs. Berlin the School District will be participating in a program called "One Book – One School". Mrs. Berlin will present the details of this new endeavor to the School Board at a later date and time.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Pridemore, Board President, called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Elliott made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Dorsett. Meeting adjourned at 7:06 P.M.



Mr. Tim Pridemore, Board President



Mr. Jack Elliott, Board Secretary