

**Monroe-Gregg Board of School Trustees
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Administration Office
October 9, 2017**

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 School Board President, Mr. Jack Elliott at 6:30 P.M., in the Administration Office conference room. Board members in attendance were: Mr. Chris Williams, Mr. Tom Kennedy, Mrs. Celina Clements and Mr. Tim Pridemore. Dr. William Roberson, Superintendent; and Mr. Steve Harris, School Attorney were both present. Administrators, Mr. Mike Springer, Mr. Micah Elliott, Mrs. Melissa York, and Mr. Brian Lewis were present. In addition there were several community members, teachers and additional administrators present.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH RECOGNITION & STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS:

Jaxson Polston – MES	Melanie Courtney - HS
Colten Smith – MES	Sydney Thoma - HS
Brooke Farley – MMS	
Autumn Hodge – MHS	

Dr. Roberson thanked the Monrovia Alumni for their support and sponsorship.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

No comments at this time.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

The motion was made by Mr. Williams to approve the following minutes as presented:

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Mr. Kennedy seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION OF CLAIMS

Mr. Williams made the motion to approve claims #7938 through #8078, Mr. Kennedy seconded the motion to approve claims as presented, in the amount of \$1,308,392.67 with no additional items. Motion carried 5-0.

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CONSIDERATION OF PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

Dr. Roberson recommended the Board approve the Personnel Report as presented with no additional changes. The motion to approve was made by Mr. Pridemore, seconded by Mr. Williams, motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION OF 2018 BUDGET ADOPTION

Dr. Roberson recommended the Board approve the 2018 School Budget, CPF Plan, Bus Replacement Plan and the following resolutions as presented:

- Pension Bond Levy Reduction
- Capital Projects Fund Interest Transfer to General Fund
- Form #3-Line #1 Reductions if necessary
- Form 4B-Line #2 Reductions if necessary
- Adoption of Capital Projects Plan
- Adoption of Bus Replacement Plan
- Local Income Tax Resolution

Mr. Williams made the motion to approve all budget items as presented by Dr. Roberson. The motion was seconded by Mr. Pridemore. Motion passed 5-0.

CONSIDERATION OF SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLANS

Each school principal submitted their new building improvement plan for review and approval. Dr. Roberson recommended approval. Mrs. Clements made a motion to approve each buildings plan as presented. Mr. Kennedy seconded and the motion carried 5-0. Board approved improvement plans are submitted to the Indiana Department of Education.

CONSIDERATION OF UPDATED SUICIDE PREVENTION POLICY

Mr. Pridemore made the motion to approve the changes to the previously approve policy as presented. Mr. Kennedy seconded, motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION OF PROJECT HEARING AND RESOLUTION

Dr. Roberson and Board Attorney, Steve Harris explained the background, reason and procedure for the resolution. Mr. Elliott made the motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Williams, motion carried 5-0. There was no questions or comments from the public.

CONSIDERATION OF PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE

Dr. Roberson received four insurance quotes. He is currently comparing the quotes and completing his due diligence before making a recommendation to the Board.

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CONSIDERATION OF MASTER TEACHER CONTRACT

An agreement has not been reached with the M-GSD Teacher's Union. They will meet again on Tuesday, October 10th. When an agreement is reached Dr. Roberson will schedule a special meeting to approve the Property and Casualty Insurance and the Teacher Contract.

Mr. Kennedy made a motion to table the consideration of Property and Casualty Insurance and The Master Teacher Contract at this time. Mrs. Clements seconded, motion carried 5-0.

OTHER

The following additional items were addressed and discussed:

Dr. Roberson shared new information regarding the cafeteria expansion. MCM Structural Engineers validated that, the wall between the cafeteria and the current weight room wall is not a low bearing wall. Mr. Kennedy asked if this meant the whole wall could be removed. Dr. Roberson said yes, with the exception a few posts.

The Board received a request from a current employee to use their sick time to take a personal trip. Mr. Williams made the motion to deny the request. Mr. Pridemore seconded, motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Pridemore made a motion to extend Dr. Roberson's Superintendent Contract for three additional years. Mr. Elliott seconded the motion. Dr. Roberson asked for a moment to speak before the board voted. Dr. Roberson expressed his love for the Monrovia students and staff. He stated if he were offered a contract extension, he would need a little time to consult his family, colleagues and himself. Three years is a big commitment. Following Dr. Roberson's comments, Mr. Elliott called for a vote.


After questions, comments and discussion amongst the Board, Mr. Elliott called again for a vote. The motion failed 2 – 3. Mr. Elliott and Mr. Pridmore for and Mrs. Clements, Mr. Williams and Mr. Kennedy against.

A motion was made by Mr. Kennedy to accept the donation to MHS Athletics from the Jim Sighting Family in the amount of \$1,500. Mr. Williams seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

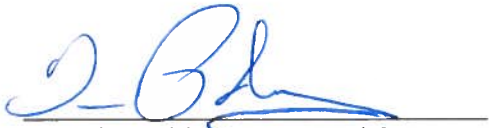
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ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Elliott adjourned the meeting at 7:15 P.M.



Mr. Jack Elliott, President



Mr. Tim Pridemore, Board Secretary