

Monroe School District #1J
Regular Board Meeting
Held at Monroe High School
March 8, 2010

The board meeting was called to order by Chair Nancy Burnett at 7:30 P.M.

Members present: Nancy Burnett, Tony Stroda, Robert Warden, Mylrea Estell, Superintendent Randall Crowson, Secretary Christine Manley, Student Council Representative Quintin Kreth.

Member late: Tim Warden.

Also present: Dave Ballard, Monroe City Councilor; Administrators Brenda Goracke and Bill Crowson; patron Wesley Beckstead.

Robert Warden moved to approve the minutes of February 8, 2010 as presented. Second: Tony Stroda. Motion carried 4/0.

Note: Tim Warden arrived.

The consent agenda was reviewed. There were no changes to the agenda. The bills were reviewed and discussed. Tony Stroda suggested calling for propane gas price quotes. Randy Crowson reported that with the new windows and improvements in the heating systems, the grade school has used only 34% of their heating budget, while the high school has used only 10%. Mylrea Estell would like to see more distance learning classes through the community colleges. The notifications list was reviewed. Mylrea Estell moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Second: Tony Stroda. Motion carried 5/0.

Board members read thank you letters to Chintimini UniServe Council and Corvallis NAPA. The notice from MTA was reviewed. A special board meeting was scheduled for 7:30 PM April 5, 2010 to discuss negotiations. The supplemental budget hearing will be held prior to the board meeting.

Wesley Beckstead's letter to the Board was reviewed. Mr. Beckstead discussed the district's policy and history of interdistrict transfers. It was explained that the district has good relationships with Harrisburg, Junction City, Corvallis, Central Linn and Eugene School Districts. The district has approved transfers to all of these districts in the past. Each request is reviewed on an individual basis. There must be a clearly demonstrated need for a transfer. The difference between our district and other districts is that the School Board must approve each request. Mr. Beckstead explained that he and his family have lived in the community for a year while home schooling their children. He is a teacher in the Harrisburg School District. For future reference he would like more information about AP courses at the high school. Quintin Kreth explained that the district is very willing to work with students to get them the classes they need. He is taking math and science at the University of Oregon in the afternoons while he is still in high school. There was no Board action taken. Mr. Crowson offered Music, Physical Education, and other classes to Mr. Beckstead's children while they are being home schooled.

Dave Ballard, Monroe City Councilor reported on various subjects. The Public Transportation Program is scheduled to begin this August, with buses running from Monroe to Corvallis and Junction City. There will be a wet lands study in the area sponsored by Lane County. The Council compromised and will allow the Catholic Church's exit onto Dragon Drive on Sundays only.

Monday through Saturday, parking will be allowed on Dragon Drive in front of the second parking lot exit.

February enrollment was reviewed. The district held steady this month.

Randall Crowson reported on current administrative projects:

- EPA has issued a new rule on Lead Paint in buildings that house Kindergarten students. There must be a certified person to oversee any renovations to painted areas. Peter Wasak will take the required training in April.
- Possible summer maintenance projects are: grade school office windows, grade school library windows and carpet, and the high school gym heat pump maintenance or replacement. There is still some stimulus money to carryover as well as \$6,000 from the building excise tax. The Board consensus is to get quotes on the work for their review. It was also suggested to look at the west side of the grade school buildings for maintenance.
- A memo from Corinne Klein explaining Basic School Support Fund estimates was shared.
- Bill Crowson has been voted as Athletic Director of the Year for the Mountain View Conference. Congratulations!

Randall Crowson announced that he is sponsoring a table at the Dragon Pride dinner.

Brenda Goracke reported that there is a meeting scheduled next Tuesday for the parents of 7th and 8th grade students. Several different topics will include internet programs and safe procedures, safe phone use, and high school graduation requirements. Guest speakers include Detective Micah Smith from Linn County Sheriff's Office, Deputy Sheriff Jim Weikel from Benton County, and High School Principal Bill Crowson.

A break was taken from 8:40-9:00 PM to celebrate Tony Stroda's birthday.

Mr. Crowson announced that he was very disappointed in the City Council's decision regarding the parking on Dragon Drive. He believes it establishes a precedent.

The changes to the following were reviewed: DJC Bidding Requirements, GBNA & GBNA-AR Hazing/Harassment/Intimidation/Bullying/Menacing - Staff, GCBDA/GDBDA, GCBDA/GDBDA-AR, and Forms 1, 2C, 2D, 3, 5 Family & Medical Leave, JFCF and JFCF-AR Harassment/Intimidation/Bullying - Students, IGBBA Identification - Talented & Gifted, IGBBC Programs and Services - Talented & Gifted. Tony Stroda moved to approve as presented. Second: Mylrea Estell. Motion carried 5/0.

The 2010-11 calendar was reviewed and discussed. This calendar will also set the 8th grade and high school graduation dates. Tony Stroda moved to approve the calendar as presented. Second: Mylrea Estell. Motion carried 5/0.

The Records Retention Guidelines was reviewed and discussed. This guideline will be used for staff to determine retention of student and classroom records.

The certified bargaining unit needs to be answered. Tony Stroda will email Wendy Unrein of the Board's intention to meet on April 5, 2010.

Mr. Crowson explained that Peter Wasak took the Limited Building Electrician's exam for licensure. This license would enable him to do any electrical work on campus except for high voltage and new installation. Mr. Crowson would like to give Peter a raise in pay once he obtains this license. He would also like to create a new position on the classified wage schedule called "Maintenance II". He will also need to create a new position description. Tony Stroda moved to accept the new position and the increase in step and pay as outlined. Second: Robert Warden. Motion carried 5/0.

Chair Burnett adjourned the meeting at 9:20 P.M.