

Monroe School District #1J  
Regular Board Meeting  
Held at Monroe High School  
July 12, 2010

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

Members present: Nancy Burnett, Robert Warden, Tim Warden, Tony Stroda, Mylrea Estell, Superintendent Randall Crowson, and Secretary Christine Manley.

Also present: City Councilor Dave Ballard, Principal Brenda Goracke and Tri-County Tribune reporter Sadie Moser.

Chair Burnett opened nominations for 2010-11 Board officers. Mylrea Estell nominated Robert Warden for the office of Chair. Second: Tony Stroda. Motion carried 5/0.

Robert Warden assumed the Chair responsibilities.

Chair Warden opened nominations for Vice Chair. Tony Stroda nominated Tim Warden. Second: Nancy Burnett. Motion carried 5/0.

The Board reviewed the listing of Designation of District Duties, Meeting Places and Times. Tony Stroda requested that the regular board meetings which begin at 6:30 PM during the winter months be extended: November through March. There were no objections. New items include Special Education Attorney Hungerford Law Firm; Insurance Agent of Record, Jeff Curran of Tri-County Insurance Group LLC; and Newspaper of Record Tri-County Tribune. Tony Stroda moved to approve the listing as amended. Second: Tim Warden. Motion carried 5/0.

After review, Tony Stroda moved to approve the listing of District Bank Accounts as presented. Second: Nancy Burnett. Motion carried 5/0.

Tony Stroda moved to approve the minutes of June 21, 2010 as presented. Second: Nancy Burnett. Motion carried 5/0.

The agenda was reviewed and the following items added:

3. G. 3. Resolution 0910-011 Authorize Transfer of Appropriations & Revenue from General Fund to Food Service Fund
3. G. 4. Resolution 0910-012 Authorize Transfer of Appropriations and Revenue from General Fund to Athletic Fund
6. C. Revise 2010-11 Calendar

The bills lists were reviewed and discussed. The other consent agenda items were reviewed. Mylrea Estell moved to approve the agenda as amended. Second: Tony Stroda. Motion carried 5/0.

There were no communications.

Dave Ballard, Monroe City Councilor invited the Board this Wednesday at 2:00 PM for the Ribbon Cutting at the new Water Treatment Plan. Also, he explained that the water

line infrastructure for the new hospital site north of Eugene is going in. The City is hoping that the construction will bring some business to the Monroe area.

Randall Crowson included the following in his administrative report:

- The new gym floor has been refinished.
- The work on the track is complete and it was reopened today.
- The irrigation is up and running. A lot of work went into the equipment and the pump area this year. It is important that all equipment is pulled and put away each year.
- The cash carryover is a few thousand above where he thought it would be. The Federal and State funding is still uncertain, but we could be down \$137,000 from the last estimate.
- He explained the error in teacher certification and the deadline for the teacher to resolve the issue.
- Last month Mr. Crowson talked about lengthening the grade school day by ten minutes. Classes would begin at 8:05 AM instead of 8:15 AM. This will lessen playground duty for aides allowing them to use their time more effectively in a classroom setting. This will also be a better use of the student's time while at school. Mrs. Goracke will work out individual age level schedules for breakfast and breaks. There were no objections from the Board.
- The Summer Food Program is going well. The Art in the Park Program will end July 31, so attendance in the Food Program is expected to decline. The Food Program is Federally subsidized. We are averaging 40-50 kids a day for breakfast, and 90-95 kids a day for lunch.
- There are eleven (11) high school students involved in Summer School. Catherine Otto has been the Summer School teacher for three years now and really enjoys it.

Nancy Burnett excused herself from the meeting at 8:00 PM.

The Board reviewed the Structural Measurement report of the old gym wall. There is a difference of only 1/16 of an inch since the first report in 1994. The work done in 1994 did not make the building earthquake proof, only stabilized the building. Mr. Crowson has looked into grants for earthquake stabilization; however the grants are very complex involving structural engineers.

The mixed packet of revised policy, administrative regulations and forms was reviewed. The next reading will be in August.

Mr. Crowson explained that, if financing is as bad as the rumors make it, the District will need to take some furlough days. Five days would be optimal, but three days would save approximately \$50,000. Districts all through the Willamette Valley are either cutting days or personnel in order to make up the deficient. Also, Mr. Crowson recommended the Kindergarten start and end dates be placed on the calendar. After discussion, Tony Stroda moved to approve the calendar as modified including three furlough days and to provide letters to the certified and classified unions. Second: Tim Warden. Motion carried 4/0.

The Superintendent goals for 2009-10 were reviewed. Mr. Crowson announced that because of the energy saving projects done in the district (windows, heat pumps, lighting) the Oregon

Department of Energy (ODOE) wants to use our District as a good example for other entities. A representative from ODOE will be here this week. Mylrea Estell believes that our school successes need to be promoted. There are many great things about our District: Ford scholars, college courses taken by high school students, and a variety of programs.

After discussion the following goals were set for 2010-11:

1. Continue to work on academics.
2. Maintain staff development and morale.
3. Continue facilities maintenance within budget constraints.
4. Continue to stay abreast of technological advances.
5. Continue to pursue favorable grants.
6. Promote Monroe schools with media (web site, print, etc.)

The following goal was tabled until 2011-12 (after census data is available):

1. Research re-zoning Board seats to five at-large positions.

Mylrea Estell moved to approve the goals for 2010-11 with one goal tabled until 2011-12 as discussed. Second: Tony Stroda. Motion carried 4/0.

The Intergovernmental Service Agreement with Oregon Department of Education (ODE), School for the Deaf was reviewed. Mr. Stroda pointed out that paragraph two references a different child than paragraph one. Mr. Crowson will clarify with ODE. This service agreement is for a one-on-one teaching assistant for a Kindergarten student. The last time Mr. Crowson visited with the parent she was willing to transport the student to and from the School for the Deaf. Mr. Crowson will pursue some type of agreement.

There being no further business, Chair Warden adjourned the meeting at 9:00 P.M.

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Robert Warden, Board Chair

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Christine Manley, Board Secretary