

**Monroe-Gregg Board of School Trustees
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Administration Office
February 9, 2009**

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, Nancy Dorsett at 6:34, in the Administration Office conference room. Board members in attendance were: Mr. Jack Elliott, Mr. Scott Everett, Mrs. Nancy Dorsett, Mr. Greg Gore and Mr. James Shields. Also attending were Dr. Jerry Wolfe, Interim Superintendent, Mr. Steve Harris, Corporation Attorney, building principals, and interested patrons.

BUILDING INFORMATION AND UPDATES FROM PRINCIPALS

Mr. Chris Sampson, Monrovia Elementary School principal, was the first speaker. He began by noting that the Spring ISTEP+ phase one will begin in March and phase two will begin in April, The elementary PTO is sponsoring a walk-a-thon on February 20th. He informed the Board that the third, fourth, and fifth grade students watched the Presidential Inauguration, on a taped delay, on January 20th and they were very attentive to the ceremonies.

Mrs. Bobbie Jo Monahan, Monrovia Middle School principal, was the next speaker. She distributed copies of the *Monrovia in the Middle* newsletter for January and February. The February newsletter is in a new format with several new features. Mrs. Monahan also noted ISTEP testing and a new program that she and Mrs. Skillern have implemented to help students complete their homework.

Mr. Duffy Hagist, Monrovia Junior/Senior high principal was the final speaker. He began by noting that the ACT test was given at Monrovia the past week and Monrovia had 41 students who took the test. Mr. Hagist commended several students for their achievements and noted that four M.I.T .students had completed the requirements for graduation in May. He ended his presentation by advising that the annual French Café will be open February 20th in room 114 in the high school.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

The motion to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2009 Regular Board Meeting and the Executive Session of the same date was made by Mr. James Shields seconded by Mr. Jack Elliott and carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION OF CLAIMS

The motion was made by Mr. Greg Gore to approve claim #11049 through claim #11179, in the amount of \$1,271,239.62. Mr. Gore's motion was seconded by Mr. Scott Everett and carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION OF PERSONNEL

The motion was made by Mr. Jack Elliott to accept the personnel report as submitted, seconded by Mr. James Shields carried 5-0.

Dr. Wolfe noted the resignation of Mrs. Peg McNary after nineteen years of teaching. The Board thanked Mrs. McNary for her years of service.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

There were no comments or questions from the audience members regarding any agenda items.

CONSIDERATION OF TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS

Dr. Wolfe presented this agenda item. He began by noting that the appropriation transfer is a "housekeeping" procedure. This transfer enables the Corporation to reconcile the 2008 appropriations with expenditures and he recommended board approval.

The motion to approve the transfer of appropriations was made by Mr. James Shields, seconded by Mr. Greg Gore and carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION OF CREDIT CARD FOR HIGH SCHOOL PURCHASES

Dr. Wolfe asked for Board authorization for a credit card for Monrovia High School. Mr. Hagist, Monrovia High School Principal, noted that there are many items now that must be purchased on-line and the companies will not honor a purchase order.

The motion to approve a credit card for the high school was made by James Shields, seconded by Mr. Scott Everett and carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION OF SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICE CONTRACT FOR CASE #2909

Dr. Wolfe explained to the Board that this a placement where the Corporation still has responsibility, but that the State will pay a substantial portion of the contract. The Corporation will be responsible for one and one-half hours with the State supplying the remaining funding.

The motion to approve this request was made by Mr. James Shields, seconded by Mr. Jack Elliott and carried 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Nancy Dorsett, board president, adjourned the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

Nancy Dorsett, Board President

Scott Everett, Board Secretary

