

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Monroe-Gregg School District
Monrovia Elementary Cafeteria
November 13, 2006
6:30 p.m.

Present were Jack Elliott, Greg Gore, Nancy Dorsett, James Shields, Scott Everett and Paul Kaiser.

Pledge of Allegiance

I. Call to Order

Mr. Jack Elliott, Board President, called the board meeting to order at 6:34p.m.

II. Curriculum, Building Updates, and Other Reports

Student of the Month

Mr. Chris Sampson, Monrovia Elementary principal, spoke first congratulating third grader, Jessup Shay on being chosen as the elementary school's Student of the Month. Jessup and his family had prior commitments and were unable to attend the board meeting. Mr. Larry Mays, representing the Middle School, noted that the middle school's Student of the Month, Dakota Speck, was also unable to attend the board meeting. Mr. Duffy Hagist, Monrovia High School principal, praised high school senior Christina Zier for being chosen Student of the Month. Mr. Hagist presented Ms. Zier with a star paperweight and a framed certificate. Mr. Sampson and Mr. Mays will present their students with their awards at a later date.

II. Curriculum Building Updates, and Other Reports (continued)
Principals' Report

Mr. Sampson, Mr. Hagist and Mr. Mayes outlined the current and future activities in their buildings. Each gentleman distributed copies of their school activity reports.

Mr. Hagist, Monrovia High School, complimented the journalism department for receiving six (6) Harvey Awards, the Bulldog Brigade for becoming Grand Champions of the Bands of America Contest, and he thanked the middle and elementary schools for their cooperation during the Veterans' Day program. Mr. Hagist also spoke briefly outlining the high school's accomplishments during the past year.

Mr. Sampson, Monrovia Elementary School, was the final principal to speak. He began by recognizing the Spell Bowl Contest team coached by Mrs. Kay Korty and Mrs. Marianne Berlin. He also thanked Mrs. Syd Schafer and Ms. Gay Stringer for their efforts in producing the elementary school play. Mr. Sampson noted that the Lions Club will again sponsor the eye testing program and he ended his presentation by also thanking the high school, Mrs. Syd Schafer, and Mrs. Michelle Bombei for their involvement during the Veterans' Day program.

Mr. Brian Willett, Band Director, presented the trophy the Bulldog Brigade received, from the Band of America contest, to Mr. Hagist. On behalf of the Corporation, Mr. Elliott, board president, presented a plaque to Mr. Willett recognizing the band's accomplishments.

III. Minutes

The motion was made by Mr. James Shields to approve the minutes of the October 9, 2006 regular meeting and Executive Session. Mr. Shield's motion was seconded by Mr. Greg Gore and carried 5-0.

IV. Claims

The motion was made by Mrs. Nancy Dorsett to approve claims #7183 through #7335 in the amount of \$1,626, 080.86, seconded by Mr. Scott Everett and carried 5-0.

V. Personnel

A motion was made by Mr. Greg Gore to approve the employment recommendations as listed with the salary within the parameter of the approved salary schedule. The motion was seconded by Mr. Scott Everett. This motion included the approval of a 1.5% increase in salary for administrative and classified staff with a 5% increase on health insurance. Mr. Gore's motion carried 5-0.

VI. Public Comment on Agenda Items

There were no comments from the audience regarding any agenda item.

VII. Construction Updates

The motion was made by Mr. James Shields to declare the homes and office located at 135 S. Chestnut Street, 175 S. Chestnut Street, and 185 S. Chestnut Street as salvage and grant permission for these buildings to be demolished. The motion was seconded by Mr. Greg Gore and carried 5-0.

VIII. Staff Development, Trips and Projects

The motion was made by Mr. Greg Gore to approve the choir trip to Grand Cayman in March or April of 2007, pending administrative review. The motion was seconded by Mr. Scott Everett and carried 5-0.

VIII. Staff Development, Trips and Projects (continued)

The motion was made by Mr. James Shields to approve the jazz ensemble visiting New York City. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Nancy Dorsett and carried 5-0.

IX. Other Business and Information

The motion was made by Mr. Greg Gore to approve the IRS mileage rate of 48.5 cents for the 2007 calendar year, seconded by Mr. Greg Gore and carried 5-0.

The motion was made by Mr. James Shields to move the December 11th board meeting to December 18th, seconded by Mr. Scott Everett and carried 5-0.

X. Policy and Guideline Considerations

The motion was made by Mr. Greg Gore to approve the board policy updates for the following policies: 1220, 1542, 2271, 2411, 4412, 3143, 3217, 4217, 5772, 7217, 5111, 5600, 5610, 6220, 6440, 8340, 8500 and 8600. Mr. Gore's motion was seconded by Mr. Scott Everett and carried 5-0.

XI. Committee and Community Report

Mr. James Shields reported that the Community Committee met on Tuesday, November 7, 2006. The committee will have a chairperson which will serve on a rotating basis. Mr. Shields noted that this will facilitate less formality and a better sharing of ideas. Mr. Kaisier stated that this Committee is a "good voice for the community."

X. Other

Mr. Jack Elliott, Board Chairman, asked that the board formally approve the athletic policy as proposed by Mr. Cary Hargis, Athletic Director. The motion to approve the

X. Other (continued)

proposed athletic policy was made by Mr. James Shields, seconded by Mr. Scott Everett and carried 5-0.

Mr. Paul Kaiser, Superintendent, advised the board that the Monrovia Lions Club had asked for permission to place mulch on the walking track. The Club advised that the mulch would not interfere with the cross country track. The motion to approve this request was made by Mr. James Shields, seconded by Mr. Greg Gore, and carried 5-0.

Mr. Steve Harris, Corporation Attorney, was the next speaker. He asked the board to approve the resolution authorizing a new lease which will result in an interest cost savings over the life of the issue and will generate additional cash. The motion to approve the resolution was made by Mr. Scott Everett, seconded by Mr. Greg Gore and carried 5-0.

XI. Board Member and Superintendent Comments

Mr. Kaiser noted that the refinancing of the bond issue for Monrovia Elementary will generate additional monies which will be put aside for elementary growth.

XII. Adjournment

The motion was made by Mr. James Shields to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Greg Gore and carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Board President, Mr. Jack Elliott

Board Secretary, Mr. Scott Everett