

MINUTES

Monroe City School Board
2101 Roselawn Avenue
Monroe, Louisiana 71201

The Monroe City School Board met in special session, Monday, June 27, 2011 at Monroe City School District Central Office, 2101 Roselawn Avenue; Monroe, Louisiana 71201. The meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m. by President Traweek and he then offered prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

Agenda Item 4: Roll Call

Board Members Present: Mrs. Victoria "Vickie" Dayton, Mrs. Victoria "Vickie" Krutzer, Mr. James Mickey Traweek, Bishop Rodney McFarland, Sr., Mr. Glynn Ludley

Board Members Absent: Mr. Clarence Sharp, Mr. Verbon Muhammad.

Administrative Staff: Dr. Kathleen Harris, Attorney L. Douglas Lawrence, Dr. Phedra Brantley, Mrs. Derenda Flowers, Mrs. DaVona Howard, Mr. Josh Leporati, Mrs. Sallie Sutherland

Action Item 5 – Adoption of the Agenda

On a motion by Mrs. Dayton and seconded by Mrs. Krutzer, the Board approved the agenda as printed. The motion carried on a unanimous vote.

Action Item 6 – Adoption of the 2011-2012 MCSD Property and Casualty Insurance

Mrs. Dayton noted that the insurance agents have worked to present changes that will result in cost savings to the district.

Mr. Terry Duke, Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services, suggested the following changes: Purchase a separate equipment breakdown policy, approve Option II of the excess workers comp policy, and drop property and auto terrorism coverage. As a result of the changes, the district will save approximately \$42,500.

Mrs. Dayton noted that quotes will be obtained for flood insurance and that a separate policy will be purchased for equipment breakdown so that the district will have broader coverage with a lower deductible at a cheaper price. Additionally, the district will exclude the uninsured motorist coverage.

Mr. Duke informed the Board that it is very important that they are aware of the decision to decline the uninsured motorist coverage.

President Traweek asked the Board if there are any questions and if they are okay with not having uninsured motorist insurance. There were no questions or objections.

It was moved by Mrs. Dayton and seconded by Bishop McFarland, to make no changes to property insurance; approve commercial coverage with the deletion of the equipment breakdown policy; make no changes to auto physical damage; approve Option II of excess compensation; approve terrorism liability coverage only; and make no changes to student accident coverage.

The motion carried on a unanimous vote.

Action Item 7 – Adoption of 2011-2012 NCLB/IDEA Combined Budgets

Mrs. Dayton asked if the budget includes any raises or increases in salaries other than step increases.

Dr. Harris replied that there are none.

Mrs. Dayton asked if there are any positions in the IDEA budget that were previously in other budgets.

Mrs. Sutherland replied that 33% of the Child Welfare and Attendance Supervisor's salary and his secretary's salary are being moved from IDEA to General Funds. Additionally, the budget contains the Special Education Supervisor's salary.

Dr. Brantley noted that the Title I Supervisor's salary is currently in Title Funds as it has been in the past. Reductions have been made in out-of state travel.

Mrs. Dayton asked if there have been any reductions in funds to the classrooms.

Dr. Brantley replied that there are no reductions.

Mrs. Krutzer asked for the amount of IDEA carry-over funds.

Mrs. Howard stated that she does not know the amount at this time because the bookkeeper for that fund has been out ill.

On a motion by Bishop McFarland and seconded by Mr. Ludley, the Board adopted the 2011-2012 NCLB/IDEA combined budgets.

The motion carried on a unanimous vote.

Action Item 8 – Resignation of Lee Jr. High School Principal

On a motion by Bishop McFarland and seconded by Mr. Ludley, the Board accepted the resignation of Mrs. Whitney Martin, principal of Lee Jr. High School. The motion carried on a unanimous vote.

Action Item 9 – Advertisement for Principal of Lee Jr. High School

On a motion by Bishop McFarland and seconded by Mr. Ludley, the Board authorized the administration to advertise for a principal for Lee Jr. High School.

Mrs. Dayton offered a friendly amendment to advertise for 15 days. The friendly amendment was accepted by Bishop McFarland and Mr. Ludley.

The motion carried on a unanimous vote.

President Traweek stated that Mrs. Martin will be taking a job with the Louisiana Department of Education. He thanked her for her years of service.

Bishop McFarland informed Dr. Harris that it is customary for Board members to select a representative to serve on the interview committee. Dr. Harris asked that names be submitted as soon as possible.

Action Item 10 – Recess/Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m. upon a motion by Bishop McFarland and seconded by Mrs. Dayton. The motion carried on a unanimous vote.

Mr. Mickey Traweek
Board President

Dr. Kathleen Harris
Superintendent