

Monroe County Board of Education

Minutes from Special Meeting on September 20, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with all board members present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Mr. Lively stated that the purpose of this board meeting was to review all applications and select the applicants that the board wanted to interview for the position of Superintendent of Monroe County Schools.

Mr. Sams made the motion to go into Executive Session for personnel reasons. The motion was approved unanimously at 7:03 p.m.

Mrs. Sabol made the motion to return to regular session from executive session at 8:20 p.m. The motion approved unanimously.

Mr. Lively stated that he will contact Dr. Howard O'Cull, Executive Director of the WV School Board Association, for clarification of procedural questions and to have the interviews scheduled. The WVSBA is assisting Monroe County with the "Superintendent's Search" but all decisions regarding the applicants to be interviewed and the final selection of the new superintendent will be made solely by the Monroe County Board of Education.

Mrs. Sabol made the motion to offer interviews to all applicants for the position of superintendent. The motion to approve was unanimous.

Mr. Lively stated that there were seven applicants to be interviewed. They are as follows:

1. Darlene Dingess-Adkins from Harts, WV
2. Dennis Albright from Sutton, WV
3. George Aulenbacher of Charleston, WV
4. Joetta Basile of Lindside, WV
5. Ronald Cantley, II of Cool Ridge, WV
6. R. Jeffrey Dunbar of Sinks Grove, WV
7. Gary Hazelwood of Rocky Mount, VA

Interviews will be scheduled during two special sessions of the Board of Education, October 6, 2012 and October 13, 2012.

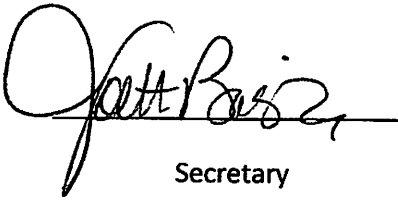
The announcement of superintendent-elect selection may be announced on October 13, 2012. The selection will be contingent upon favorable negotiations concerning salary/benefits and other matters.

The motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Sams at 8:25 p.m. and the vote to approve was unanimous.

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MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING October 2, 2012, at 6 p.m.
Peterstown Elementary School, Peterstown, WV

I. Roll Call

- a. Mr. Lively called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. All members were present.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Approval of Agenda/Adjustments

- a. Mrs. Basile asked that item "e" from the Consent Agenda be pulled and voted on separately. Mrs. Sabol asked that check 72612 be pulled and voted on separately and Mrs. Hoke-Webb asked that check 72617 be pulled and voted on separately.
- b. Mr. Sams made the motion to approve the Agenda and Adjustments and the vote to approve was unanimous.

IV. Delegations

- a. Becky Yost, Director of Child Nutrition, addressed the Board regarding the change in nutrition guidelines. She started off by explaining why Monroe County students do not qualify to receive the Universal Free Meals that some surrounding counties have qualified for. To be eligible, each school must have at least 40% of the student population on Free and Reduced Lunch. There must also be at least 40% of families that are either considered homeless, receiving some type of government assistance, or have foster children. Only one school in the county qualified which means the county school system would have to pick up 60% of the cost of meals county-wide. With the deficit situation facing the county, Ms. Yost felt the county could not afford this cost. She did report, however, that this year it appears the percent of families qualifying is rising so it is something to be watched in the future.

Ms. Yost also explained the federal nutrition guidelines that have changed the meals students are receiving at school this year. The purpose of the new guidelines is to encourage students to eat more vegetables. The county must now serve one cup of fruit and one cup of vegetables per day. The guidelines are stricter in that ½ of the vegetables must be dark green vegetables and Ms. Yost provided the Board with a chart outlining the color of the vegetable and the amount required. Due to the new guidelines, Ms. Yost reports serving 214 less meals per day so Monroe County is seeing a difference due to the new regulations.

V. Public Comments

- a. Johnny Spangler spoke to the board regarding a Farm to School program that the Monroe Farm Market would like to take advantage of. Mr. Spangler reported that 90% of the funds from this program go back to farming families here in Monroe County. WV is one of nine states chosen to pilot this program and the organization has been working with Ms. Yost to coordinate menus with the vegetable season. Mr. Spangler also reported the Monroe Farm Market has chefs that would be willing to assist cooks with putting flavor in fresh foods that are not processed. Mr. Spangler ended by stating that a good partnership with the school system can bring the community and school together.
- b. Michelle Johnson spoke to the board regarding concerns she has in reference to the bus her children ride. Mr. Lively asked Mrs. Johnson if she had spoken with the principal, transportation director or superintendent and Mrs. Johnson said she had spoken with Mr. Dunbar. Mrs. Basile asked Mrs. Johnson to schedule a

meeting with her to further discuss her concerns.

- c. Amanda Church had signed up for public comment but stated she did not wish to speak. She has shown interest in attending board meetings to find out what is going on in the school system. Mr. Lively thanked her for attending the meeting.
- d. Mr. Lively asked Mrs. Boggess to explain why the school was not presenting their LSIC information for the meeting. Mrs. Boggess thanked the Board for holding the meeting at PES and explained she did not realize until a few days prior that the meeting was being held at the school. She expressed that the school would like to come to the Board at a later date and present their information.

VI. Communications/Reports

- a. Superintendent's Report – Mrs. Basile provided each board member with pictures of the roof leak at MCTC. A meeting was to be held on October 3, 2012 to begin the bid process for the roof.
- b. Mrs. Basile informed the Board that all schools in the county would be participating in an Instructional Practice Inventory (IPI) Program. This program entails four teachers from each school doing walk-throughs and utilizing a rubric to rate the level of instruction taking place school-wide. Mrs. Basile reported this is not an evaluation and no reports of single classrooms or departments will be generated. The school as a whole will be scored and the teachers will then set down together and develop goals for attaining higher scores on the next round of snapshots. The rubric is based on a 1-6 score and the higher scores constitute higher order thinking skills and increased student engagement.

VII. Policies and Procedures

a. **Expected Behavior in Safe and Supportive Schools** – Mrs. Basile informed the Board that the previous county-adopted policy was returned from WVDE and the county was informed it did not meet all the requirements of the State Department Policy. She also informed the Board that this had occurred in several counties throughout the state. Dinsmore and Shohl revised the policy and Mrs. Basile felt it now met the State Department’s requirements. This is the first reading of this policy and will replace policies: Student Code of Conduct, Student Rights and Responsibilities, Racial, Sexual, Disability and Religious/Ethnic Harassment and Violence Policy, Tobacco Control Policy, Substance Abuse Policy, Alternative Education, and Anti-Hazing Policies. Mrs. Basile recommended the policy be placed on a 30 day comment period. Mrs. Sabol made the motion and the vote to approve was unanimous.

VIII. **Treasurer’s Report**

a. **Year End Closeout** – Mr. Berry provided each Board Member with a copy of the Year End Closeout and directed their attention to pages 53-54. These pages highlight the income and balances for the year. Mr. Berry explained that the OPEB credits had been applied but some OPEB is still required to be carried on the books. The county’s revenue was approximately 17.6 million and the county spent 17.9 million so it is still a concern that expenses are higher than revenues. The county did contribute approximately \$195,000 less for food service last year and much of this can be contributed to fewer snow days and increased meal participation. The ending fund balance for the county shows a \$1.5 million deficit. Mrs. Hoke-Webb made the motion to approve the Year End Closeout as written and the vote to approve was unanimous.

- b. School Audits – Mr. Berry provided each Board Member a copy of the school audits and reported no major findings in the schools. There were a few recommendations to change process but overall each school received good reviews from the audits.

IX. Consent Items

- a. Mr. Mann made the motion to approve the consent items as presented and the vote to approve was unanimous. Consent items included:
 - b. Minutes from September 18, 2012, BOE Meeting
 - c. Payment of Bills
 - d. Transfers and Supplements
 - e. Agreements – Part-Time Parent Involvement Coordinator, Title I Parent Coordinator, LPN Training Agreement with Head Start/Early Head Start/PAT.
 - f. Student Transfers
 - g. Mrs. McPherson spoke to the Board and asked for their support for the business students to attend a few FBLA trips. Last year the business department had 22 completers and two students represented Monroe County and the State of WV at the National Competition. Mrs. McPherson also reported Shea Boothe won first place in the accounting competition for the past two years. She asked the Board for permission to participate in the Business Challenge at Concord University on October 25, 2012, the Fall Leadership Conference at Flatwoods, WV on October 29-30, 2012, and the State FBLA Competition on April 7-9, 2013. The national competition will be in June, 2013. Mrs. Basile recommended the Board approve all 3 trips scheduled for the FBLA students. Mrs. Sabol made the motion and the

vote to approve was unanimous.

X. New Business

- a. MCTC Roof – Mrs. Basile explained that while steps to begin the bid process had been initiated, the county was not ready to take action on the roof at this time.

Mr. Sams informed the Board that a pre-bid conference was scheduled for October 3, 2012 at MCTC and the bid process would then be open.

- h. Personnel Items – Mrs. Basile recommended the list of personnel be approved as written. Mr. Sams made the motion and the vote to approve was unanimous.

Personnel Recommendations included: Hires – Kristi Long as Title I DIBELS Administrator, Stormy Thorne as Substitute Teacher, Jane Kersey and Rhonda Nicewonder as Title I Professional Development Specialists, Sue Thomas as Title I Academic Coach at PES, Patti Chlepas as Multi-Categorical with Autism Teacher at PES, Jane Kersey and Rhonda Nicewonder as Title II Enhanced Beginning Teacher Mentors, Crystal Harman as Substitute Teacher, John Mustain as Athletic Director for JMHS for the remainder of the 2012-2013 school year, Tricia King as Lead Teacher at MCTC for the remainder of the 2012-2013 school year.

21st Century After School Program Hires – Kamali Bailey as Site Coordinator at MVS, Gary Crosier as Site Coordinator for PES/PMS, Anne Lambert as Site Coordinator at JMHS. Teacher for the 21st Century After School Program – Janice Baker, Sherry Baker, Patrick Boone, Holly Browne, Patti Chlepas, Gary Crosier, Jeff Goff, Pamela Grajo-Mullins, Linda Ludwig, Sreenaiah Nakka, Jane Nash, Terri Nelson, David Pontius, Linda Terry, L. Brooke Wills. Bus Operators

for the 21st Century After School Program - Richard Bailey, Randall Mills, James Dale Crawford, Jimmy Williams, Calvin Withrow. Cooks for the 21st Century After School Program - Patty Faulkner at MVS, Teresa Fisher at PES and Paula WentzatJMHS.

Volunteer Approval - Rhonda Hammons and Nancy Bostic. Approval of Officers - James Monroe Project Graduation - President Sherry Smith, Vice President/Secretary Tonia Fullen, Treasurer Trina Shoda. JMHS Music Boosters - President Kathy Feury, Vice President Janet Haag, Secretary Kim Ferguson, Treasurer Trina Shoda.

Leave of Absence - Barbara Laws as bus operator through October 31, 2012. XL

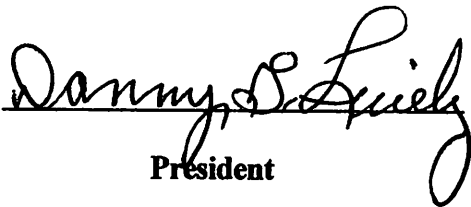
Discussion Items a. None

XII. Public Comment a.

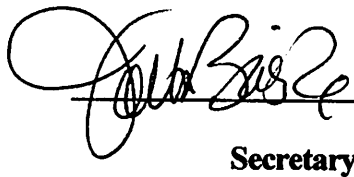
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XIII. Adjournment

a. Mr. Lively adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.



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