

MINUTES MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION NOVEMBER 11, 2010

The Monroe County Board of Education met in regular session Thursday, November 11, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. the Boardroom at the Director of Schools' Office. Nine Board Members present: Dr. Larry Stein, Chairman, Mrs. Janet Martin, Mr. Jerry Snyder, Mr. DeWitt Upton, Mr. Ron Eydt, Mr. Danny Isbill, Ms. Jo Cagle, Mr. Dave Evans and Ms. Sonya Lynn

Item No. 1: The Chairman asked for approval of the agenda for the regular meeting on November 11, 2010. Ms. Sonya Lynn requested that the following items be pulled for discussion from the consent agenda: 11-11-4. #2 and 11-11-4. #4. The Chairman stated he would move these to the beginning of New Business. Mr. Danny Isbill made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jerry Snyder to approve the agenda as amended. Motion passed.

Item No. 2: The Chairman asked for approval of the minutes of the regular meeting on October 14, 2010. Mr. DeWitt Upton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jerry Snyder to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

Item No. 3: TSBA President, Mr. Dan Schlafer, presented TSBA's Award for Excellence in Education Programs to the Director for the "Monroe County Academy".

Item No. 4: Mr. Danny Isbill made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Janet Martin to approve the following consent agenda:

1. Approval of the Following Budget Amendments:

#11-11-04	General Purpose Schools	\$203,945.11
#11-11-05	Federal Projects	\$870,497.29
2. Request to play three basketball games the week of January 17, 2011 – Bobbie Akins, Rural Vale Elementary School
3. Approval of the executive committee action on the following:
 - a. Request to use Rural Vale Elementary School for Benefit November 6, 2010 – Maxine Broch
 - b. Request to use Tellico Plains High School Cafeteria for Laurel Mountain Lakes Neighborhood Group Meeting November 13, 2010 – Cal Callaway

- c. Approval of overnight field trip to State Cross Country Championship Meet in Nashville, TN November 5-6, 2010 – Emily Cleveland, Sweetwater High School

Motion passed.

Item No. 5: Next on the agenda was a discussion of the Director of Schools' Contract. The Director addressed the Board and thanked them for considering a raise for his contract, but would like to request that his salary remain the same as it is at the present time. After a discussion, Mr. Jerry Snyder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ron Eydt to give the Director \$1,250.00 per year for the next four years. After further discussion, Mr. Dave Evans made a motion, seconded by Mr. DeWitt Upton to amend the motion to begin the Director's \$1,250.00 per year raise for the next four years beginning July 1, 2011. Amendment to motion passed. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as amended to increase the Director's salary \$1,250.00 per year for the next four years beginning July 1, 2011. Mr. Dave Evans, Mr. Ron Eydt, Mrs. Janet Martin, Mr. Jerry Snyder, Dr. Larry Stein and Mr. DeWitt Upton voted yes. Ms. Jo Cagle, Mr. Danny Isbill and Ms. Sonya Lynn voted no. Motion passed.

Item No. 6: Mr. DeWitt Upton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dave Evans to approve the Ethics Policy as presented at the October 14, 2010 regular meeting. After a discussion to clarify that the "General Guidelines" and "Guidelines for Parental Contact and Phone Calls" will be an Administrative Procedure and not part of the main body of the policy, a roll call vote was taken. Ms. Jo Cagle, Mr. Dave Evans, Mr. Ron Eydt, Mr. Danny Isbill, Mrs. Janet Martin, Mr. Jerry Snyder, Dr. Larry Stein and Mr. DeWitt Upton voted yes. Ms. Sonya Lynn voted no. Motion passed.

Item No. 7: The Board reviewed changes to Monroe County Board of Education Policy #6.206, Transfers Within the System. After a discussion, Dr. Larry Stein made a motion,

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seconded by Mrs. Janet Martin to table approval of this policy until the December 9, 2010 meeting so that the following statement can be added to the final policy as approved at the October 14, 2010 regular meeting: The Director will report to the Board a list of students transferred and the reason why, once a month, on the condition that there are transfers to report. Motion passed.

Item No. 8: Mr. Jerry Snyder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ron Eydt to table a request by John Wiggins, Sequoyah High School FFA, for an overnight field trip to Gatlinburg, TN to the FFA Convention March 27-30, 2011 so that more information can be obtained in reference to the number of chaperones attending. Motion passed.

Item No. 9: Mrs. Sonya Lynn made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ron Eydt to approve a request by Missy Carter, Tellico Plains Jr. High School Principal, for an overnight trip to the state Beta Club Convention in Nashville, TN November 21, 23, 2010. After a discussion concerning funding for chaperones, motion passed.

Item No. 10: Mr. Dave Evans made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ron Eydt to approve a request by John Wiggins, Sequoyah High School FFA, for an overnight out-of-state field trip to Louisville, KY to the National Farm Machinery Show February 16-18, 2010. Motion passed.

Item No. 11: State of the School presentations were presented by the following: Debi Tipton, Vonore Middle School; Terry Moser, Madisonville Intermediate School; David Hester, Madisonville Primary School.

Item No. 12: The Board discussed the Monroe County Board of Education Policy #1.803, Tobacco-Free Schools. The Director informed the Board that schools are very conscious of what is happening at their schools and SRO's are doing a great job of assisting the principals of taking

care of any situations that may occur. After further discussion, the Director informed the Board that he will follow-up with principals and check to see that signs are posted in the proper locations.

Item No. 13: The Director reported to the Board on the following: Information on TN First to the Top; 11 Monroe Academy Graduates – 79 total at this time; principals were placed on a twelve month contract as instructed by the Board. The Director informed the Board that due to the JOBS Bill funding, he is requesting permission from the Board to give a one time bonus of approximately \$150 to professionally licensed personnel and \$50 bonus for full-time para-professionals. Mr. Danny Isbill made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dave Evans to approve the Director's request to give these bonuses. Motion passed.

Item No. 14: A meeting of the Monroe County Board of Education's Transportation Committee will be scheduled to discuss Monroe County Board of Education policy #3.401, Scheduling & Routing. Mr. Steve McSpadden, Transportation Director, will schedule this meeting with committee members.

Item No. 15: The Chairman informed the Board that the Sequoyah High School Band and Drum Line will be performing at the TSBA Annual Convention's Opening General Session on Sunday, November 14, 2010. Mrs. Linda Trout, Band Director, appeared before the Board to say that they were honored to represent Monroe County and Sequoyah High School and appreciates the support of the Board.

Item No. 16: The Chairman reminded the Board of the next regular meeting on December 9, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Boardroom at the Director of Schools' Office.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15.

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Date _____

_____ Chairman

_____ Secretary