

**Monroe County Board of Education**

**Regular Meeting**

**July 18, 2017**

**Peterstown Middle School**

**I. Roll Call**

- a. Mr. Lively called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.
- b. All members were present.

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

**III Approval of Agenda/Adjustments**

- a. Item f under New Business should be removed from the agenda as no bids were received.

Check numbers 82350, 5221, and 814 should be voted separately. Mrs. Sabol made the motion to approve the Agenda with the exceptions. The vote to approve was unanimous.

**IV. Presentations**

- a. Mrs. Basile presented information on the Peterstown School Project. Information included: Peterstown Elementary was built in 1962, serves grades Prek-4, current enrollment is 479 students, and has five detached, temporary buildings which house preschool and kindergarten. The school needs a new roof, new windows, a secure entrance, a library/media center, adequate parking, needs brought into compliance with the American's with Disabilities Act requirements, and the modular buildings battle mold underneath that is removed yearly by Orkin.

Peterstown Middle School was built in 1950 as the original Peterstown High School. This building houses 280 students. The school needs a new HVAC system with proper ventilation, a secure entrance, new windows, new roof on part of the building, a renovated sewage system, electrical upgrades, an elevator and measures to bring the school into compliance with the requirements for the American's with Disabilities, there is a detached building across a public road that students cross eight times per day to attend class, and a separate bus and parent drop off is not available. The cost to bring both schools up to code is close to \$13 million.

A new Prek-8 school for Peterstown would serve roughly 750 students. This would provide hands-on learning opportunities and modern facilities for the students to learn. Comparison pictures between the facilities at Peterstown and newer schools throughout the state as well as the comparisons within the county were shown. Mrs. Basile notified the audience that if the Board were to decide to run a bond election a second time, complete funding for the school must be in

place by December 1, 2017, or the county will lose the \$16,424,000 allocated by the School Building Authority. Bond cost information was shared, if the Board were to run the bond for the Peterstown project only, sample costs of the bond at a 3.75% interest rate were compared to a 6% interest rate. The comparison charts below were shared with the audience. The current bond rates are much lower than 6% and the bond would be sold at the current rate.

**6% Bond Cost**

Appraised Value	Monthly Tax	Annual Tax
\$100,000	\$5.33	\$63.96
\$150,000	\$8	\$95.94
\$200,000	\$10.66	\$127.92

**3.75% Bond Cost**

Appraised Value	Monthly Tax	Annual Tax
\$100,000	\$4.56	\$54.72
\$150,000	\$6.84	\$82.08
\$200,000	\$9.12	\$109.44

Mrs. Basile discussed the reason the School Building Authority requires local input is there are over \$3.6 billion dollars in facility needs throughout the state and the SBA does not have this amount of money without local contributions. A study conducted by WVU graduate students found that for every \$15 spent by the SBA it generates \$3 in funding to the local economy.

Steps taken since the bond election in June include a request from the SBA for additional funding. The county was told the SBA could not contribute more funds than already allocated. The Monroe County Board intends to request a waiver from the SBA to use a Clerk of the Works in place of a Construction Manager, and the cost difference be taken from the construction cost of the school. Mrs. Basile has met with SBA directors to discuss and they feel construction managers are needed and ultimately save costs. The current rates charged by construction management firms is close to 10% of the total construction costs.

Lastly, school tours of the two Peterstown Schools are planned at 6:00 p.m. on the following dates for anyone wishing to tour the schools: August 7, August 14, August 21, August 28, September 11, September 18, and September 25. Additionally, tours will be given during Open House on August 16<sup>th</sup>, from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Questions were taken from the audience. Mr. Crawford asked about the safety of the location and inquired about a turn lane on route 12. He also asked if the county finances were in the black and was informed that those funds are indeed in the black.

Mr. Mann told the board elected officials were opposing the new school and included the county commission, sheriff, and assessor and it would be very difficult to get a bond passed when these officials are against it. Parents in the audience questioned why anyone would be against the children getting a new school.

b. Franki Parsons of Dinsmore & Shohl and Joseph Nassif of Piper Jaffrey, presented potential bond information. Mr. Mann asked about the impact on personal property taxes. Mr. Nassif gave the example of a vehicle appraised at \$20,000 costing \$2.13 per month at a 6% rate, which is higher than anticipated. Ronnie Crawford asked about the finances of the county school system. He was also upset that the SBA...

A ten minute recess was taken at 7:41 p.m. with the meeting reconvening at 8:01 p.m.

#### V. Public Comments

a. None

#### VI. Superintendent's Report

- a. Mrs. Basile shared that the Boy Scouts will be working on improvement projects next week at PES, PMS, and JMHS.
- b. Mrs. Basile was pleased to announce that Bobbie Tuggle had been one of six technology directors in the state that was asked to present for the State Tech Director's Conference in Morgantown. Mrs. Tuggle made Monroe County shine with her presentation.
- c. Sewage bids for PES and PMS have been placed for rebid due to no bids being received during the first bidding time.
- d. Enrollment as of June 30 showed an increase of 24 students for the year 2016-2017.
- e. Mrs. Basile announced that Data Camp for English and Math teachers will be August 7 and 8 at JMHS.

#### VII. Treasurer's Report

- a. Mrs. Basile presented the Treasurer's Report due to Mr. Berry being away for a training. Mr. Sams made the motion to approve the report and the vote to approve was unanimous.

#### VIII. Consent Items

- a. Mrs. Sabol made the motion to approve the Consent Items with the exceptions noted above. The vote to approve was unanimous.
- b. Consent Items included Minutes from June 13, 2017, June 19, 2017, and July 3, 2017; Payment of Bills; Transfers and Supplements, a MOA for Operation of the School Wellness Centers, a Contracted License Health Care Provider Agreement with Monroe County Health Center, and a Contract for Joanna Burt-Kinderman.
- c. Mrs. Sabol made the motion to approve check number 8235. The vote to approve was Lively, yes; Sabol, yes; Evans, yes; Sams, yes; Fisher, abstain.

- d. Mrs. Fisher made the motion to approve check number 8221. The vote to approve was Lively, yes; Sabol, yes; Sams, yes; Fisher, yes; Evans, abstain.
- e. Mr. Sams made the motion to approve check number 814. The vote to approve was Lively, yes; Sabol, yes; Sams, yes; Fisher, yes; Evans, abstain.

#### IX. New Business

- a. Mrs. Basile recommended approval of the Old Greenville School Subordination Agreement with The Bank of Monroe and the West Virginia Housing Fund. Mrs. Sabol made the motion to approve and the vote to approve was unanimous.
- b. Mrs. Basile recommended approval of the Student Transfer Requests for the two Hager students. Mr. Evans made the motion to approve and the vote to approve was unanimous.
- c. Mrs. Basile recommended approval of the School Building Authority Waiver permitting us to use a Clerk of the Works rather than a Construction Manager. Mr. Evans made the motion to approve and the vote to approve was unanimous.
- d. Mr. Sams made the motion to enter Executive Session under the guidelines of 6-9A-4 at 8:22 p.m. The vote to approve was unanimous. Mr. Sams made the motion to return to Regular Session at 8:59 p.m. Mrs. Basile recommended approval of the Child Nutrition CEP Program wherein free breakfast and lunch will be offered to all students for the 2017-2018 school year. Mrs. Sabol made the motion to approve and the vote to approve was unanimous.
- e. Peterstown Sewage Bids was removed from the agenda.
- f. Mrs. Basile recommended approval of a two hour delay for Professional Development the first Wednesday of each month for the months of September through April. Mr. Evans made the motion to approve and the vote to approve was unanimous.
- g. Mrs. Basile recommended approval of the Bond Election date of Saturday, November 18, 2017, provided the board does decide to run the bond election. Mr. Sams made the motion to approve and the vote to approve was unanimous.

#### X. Personnel Items

- a. Mrs. Basile recommended approval of the Personnel List as written. Mr. Evans made the motion to approve and the vote to approve was unanimous.
- b. Personnel Items included Hires of Gary F. DeHart and Barry Meadows as \$1 Assistant Football Coaches for PMS; Sarah F. Martin as \$1 Assistant Soccer Coach for JMHS; William Scott Ingleton as a Substitute Teacher; Crystal Gammon as a Substitute Aide, Carmen Ball and Roger Crabtree as Homebound Substitute Teachers; Kimberly Cody as PM Custodian for JMHS/MCTC; Jerome G. Jackson as Girls' Head Basketball Coach for MVS; William Michael Garcia as Girls' Assistant Basketball Coach for MVS; Larry J. Mustain as Boys' Head Basketball Coach for MVS; John Matthew Sauvage as Boys' Varsity Head Basketball Coach for JMHS; Marianne B. Jackson as Art Teacher for PMS; Rebecca Crabtree as Girls' Head Basketball Coach

for PMS; Roger Crabtree as Girls' Assistant Basketball Coach for PMS; Travis Jackson as Boys' Assistant Basketball Coach for PMS; Rebecca Wikle as First Grade Teacher for MVS; and Kamali Connell as English Teacher for JMHS.

c. A Resignation was accepted from Glenda M. Rowan as a Substitute Secretary. Receiving Rescinds of RIF and Transfers were Daniellle Clarkson, PreSchool as MVS; Kathy C. Wiley, Pre-K Aide (transfer only), MVS; and Sara L. Blankenship, EHS Aide. Volunteers approved were Kenneth Boone and Christopher Todd Craghead, II.

XII. Discussion Items

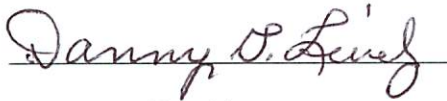
a. None

XV. Public Comments

b. None.

XVI. Adjournment

c. Mr. Lively adjourned the meeting at 9:04 p.m.

  
President

  
Secretary