

Monroe County Board of Education

Special Meeting

April 28, 2020

Monroe County Board of Education Office

I. Roll Call

- a. Mr. Wickline called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.
- b. Mr. Wickline was present. Members participating by telephone or virtual meeting were Everett Fraley, Danny Lively, Candy Sabol and Sally Wallace.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Approval of Agenda/Adjustments

- a. Mrs. Sabol made the motion to approve the agenda as written. The vote to approve was unanimous.

IV. Public Comments

- a. None.

V. New Business

- a. Mr. Berry shared revenues and expenses to date for the Treasurer's Report. He noted that funds are as expected with no surprises. Mr. Wickline asked about the increase in Permanent Improvement funds from January to March. Mr. Berry explained that tax revenue was coming in and little expense was going out during that time. He said the Permanent Improvement fund will start to dwindle quickly with new school expenses. Mr. Fraley made the motion to approve and the vote to approve was unanimous.

VI. Discussion Items

- a. Mrs. Wallace commented on the letter to the editor in the Monroe Watchman from Gibbs Kinderman asking about using the school radio station to promote the school board election. She asked if this is something that can be done. Mrs. Basile noted that the station is to be neutral and not show support of any candidate. Mrs. Basile shared that she had learned that "Meet the Candidate Night" should not have been held on school grounds in previous years. Mr. Fraley shared that he has spoken with the Ethics Commission and according to the FCC, it can be done as long as it is available to all candidates. Mr. Wickline shared that he did not want the

radio station to be in jeopardy. The matter will be on the next agenda for further discussion.

- b. Mr. Fraley asked if students would return to school this year. Mrs. Basile said they would not return this school year. Plans are being made for students to return to school to get any belongings that may have been left at school on their last day at school.
- c. Mr. Fraley asked if graduation would be held in the traditional way.
- d. Mr. Wickline shared that the WVSSAC has asked all high schools in the state to light all field lights at 8:20 p.m. in support of all seniors. This is called "Light the Night". Individuals are asked to turn on porch lights also.
- e. Mrs. Basile shared that starting today names of seniors will be read over the radio station. Senior pictures have been shared with various media outlets. Signs may be purchased. Possibilities might be a parade for seniors and banners with names listed. There is discussion about individuals adopting a senior. One hundred twenty students will graduate. Prom will be discussed at a meeting with students. A virtual ceremony will be held for JMHS student awards and MCTC graduation.
- f. Mrs. Wallace spoke about Community in Schools, a grant program that Kathy Justice has initiated that would assist seniors who might need financial assistance. Mrs. Basile noted that Monroe County is not currently eligible for money from the grant.
- g. Mrs. Basile asked that all persons complete their census information as it is vital to the county.

VII. Adjournment

- a. Mrs. Sabol made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 p.m. The vote to approve was unanimous.



President



Secretary