

Monroe County Board of Education

Regular Meeting

August 18, 2020

Monroe County Board of Education Office

I. Roll Call

- a. Mr. Wickline called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- b. Members present in addition to Keith Wickline were Everett Fraley, Candy Sabol, Sally Wallace, and Sabrina Stutts.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Approval of Agenda/Adjustments

- a. Mr. Wickline noted that Consent Item a and Personnel Item C should be removed from the agenda. Mr. Fraley made the motion to approve the agenda with the adjustments and the vote to approve was unanimous.

IV. Public Comments

- a. None

V. Discussion/Action Re-Entry Plan

a. Dr. Basile discussed changes to the re-entry plan including requiring temperatures to be taken of all students, employees, and anyone entering the buildings. Mrs. Wallace asked about employees who have illnesses. She is concerned about employees who may need to quarantine for 14 days. She wonders if we will have enough substitutes to cover, enough bus drivers, etc. She spoke about the responsibility of nurses at the schools, about nurses having to cover Covid-19 cases. She wants to know with whom the board will replace people. She noted that the child infection rate is climbing.

Mrs. Stutts shared that the Cares Act will cover employees for ten days of absences. Mrs. Wallace feels that teachers have to be protected. She worries about special education services and Title I teachers. Mr. McPherson shared that special education staff will implement pull-out time and services will be provided. Mrs. Wallace feels masks have to be mandated. It was noted that virtual enrollment is at approximately 480 students.

Dr. Basile spoke about the Color Matrix for School Re-entry which was recently released by WVDHHR and the governor's office. On September 8, all counties that are green or yellow will go to school. If a county is orange or red on September 8, they will begin with virtual school. The color green allows school to continue with health practices in place through re-entry plans; they will follow the state guidance document. After September 8, the color matrix which counties are to follow is: Green also allows extra-curricular activities with limited numbers of tickets. Yellow means that masks are required for grades 3-12 in congregant settings where social distancing is limited, increased hand washing, increased cohorting of students, limiting activities where social distancing is not feasible, and increased community engagement to prevent escalation of disease, extra-curricular activities permitted with limited tickets. Orange means that masks are required in grades 3-5 in congregant settings and grades 6-12 at all times, increase community engagement to prevent escalation of disease. Extra-curricular activities are limited to practices only. At this level, games cannot be held. Counties may consider attendance for one half of the student body. Red means that counties must suspend in-person instruction and all school-related activities until yellow is maintained on a seven-day rolling basis. During red, remote learning will occur for students. Staff will continue essential student support services including meals, engagement, and special education services. All school related extra-curricular activities are suspended until the yellow level is maintained on a seven-day basis.

Dr. Basile also shared that the WVDE has instructed counties to work with local health departments to determine how many spectators can attend athletic events. Julie Mundell has responded that the Monroe Health Department is waiting guidance from the state level.

VI. Superintendent's Report

- a. Dr. Basile shared that the fall conference of the School Board Association scheduled for September 11 will be held virtually. She asked that board members let Libby know if they plan to attend. Sessions are from 10:00 a.m. through 2:30 p.m.
- b. Masons are beginning to lay block at the new Peterstown School, Dr. Basile informed the board. She was at the site on Monday and workers were pumping water out due to the rain that fell during the weekend. A few rows of block were in place on one section of the building.
- c. Dr. Basile thanked the board for approving the cleaning of the HVAC systems. She noted that before and after pictures show the difference is outstanding. Sears is completing the work at JMHS. She also thanked

the Maintenance Department for the work they are doing on the men's restroom at the board office, new tread at MVS, and work they are doing to prepare the COVID isolation rooms at each school.

- d. Dr. Basile shared that our ten-year facility plan is progressing. We plan to have the public hearing for the plan at the September 1 board meeting. Mrs. Wallace asked about the fresh air at MVS. Mr. Wickline asked how athletic tickets might be distributed. Mr. Fraley asked about regularly replacing filters in the HVAC system.

VII. Treasurer's Report

- a. Mr. Berry presented the revenue and expenses year to date. He stated that normally this time of year revenue exceeds expenses, however it is different this year due to new school construction. Mrs. Wallace made the motion to approve the report and the vote to approve was unanimous.

VIII. Consent Items

- a. Mr. Fraley made the motion to approve the Consent Items. The vote to approve was unanimous. Those items are Payment of Bills; Transfers and Supplements; the Rescinding of a Contractual Agreement with Dr. Jennifer Frangos; and the approval of a Professional Development Contract with Proximity.

IX. New Business

- a. Mrs. Sabol made the motion to approve the purchase of German textbooks from Carnegie. The vote to approve was unanimous.
- b. Mrs. Sabol left the room prior to this action. Mr. Fraley made the motion to approve the Physical Therapy Services Agreement with Trinity Therapy and Wellness Center. The vote to approve was unanimous. Mrs. Sabol returned to the room.

X. Personnel Items

- a. Mrs. Sabol made the motion to approve the list as adjusted. The vote to approve was unanimous. Those items are Hires of Christina J. Dunlap as Head Volleyball Coach for MVS; Tiffany T. Hodge as a Substitute Teacher; Joshua A. Canterbury as a Substitute Custodian; and Catherine I. Allen as Guidance Counselor for MVS.

Resignations were approved for Kelli B. Pennington as a Substitute Teacher and Scott Womack as Cross Country Coach for JMHS. A Reassignment Agreement was approved for Sandra Hodges.

XI. Discussion Items

- a. Mr. Fraley was excited to recognize today as the day ladies gained the right to vote. He acknowledged what a great day that was. He also recognized the JMHS summer baseball travel team who won their first game in a tournament and almost beat Oak Hill in triple overtime. He is proud of the team for doing a great job. Mr. Fraley also noted that he would like to have the county's re-entry plan presented to a doctor.

XII. Adjournment

- a. Mr. Fraley made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:33 p.m. The vote to approve was unanimous.



President



Secretary

Libby Kowalsky

From: Lorrie Broyles
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2020 3:11 PM
To: Libby Kowalsky
Subject: Cross Country Coach

I would like to apply for the JMHS Cross Country Coach position.

Thank you!
Lorrie Broyles
Sent from my iPhone