

MONROEVILLE LOCAL SCHOOLS

OFFICIAL RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

February 18, 2025, Regular Meeting

The Board of Education, Monroeville Local School District, Huron County, Ohio, met on this date in the Monroeville Athletic Community (MAC) Meeting Room.

The regular meeting called to order by President, Betsy Ruggles,
Kristin Kaple-Jones, Superintendent and Paul DeMarco.

I. CALL TO ORDER (Time: 6:30 p.m.)

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. MISSION STATEMENT: The vision of the Monroeville Local School Board is Excellence in Education for all students. Our district assures each student a well-rounded educational program leading to rewarding careers. In addition, our district will foster students who are critical thinkers, creative problem solvers and socially responsible individuals. Through the collaboration of school, home and community, every Monroeville graduate will be well prepared for the global challenges of the 21st century.

IV. ROLL CALL

Allen: not present Bemis: present Helmstetter: present Ruggles: present Smith: present.

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V. APPROVE AGENDA:

M: Bemis 2nd: Smith

Allen: - Bemis: aye Helmstetter: aye Ruggles: aye Smith: aye

VI. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC (Bylaw 0169.1) Public meeting notices are posted in the Central Office. If you are interested in being added to the Board's agenda under Public Participation, requests are to be made in the Central Office ***There shall be no negative public commentary directed at employees, Board members, students or members of the public in accordance with Board policy. Such comments will only be heard in Executive Session, if appropriate, and determined by the Board President or presiding officer of the Board pursuant with Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1)***

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VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Approve the minutes of the January 6, 2025 organizational/budget meeting and January 6, 2025 regular meeting, and the February 3, 2025 Special Meeting.

M: Bemis 2nd: Smith

Allen: not present Bemis: aye, Helmstetter: aye Ruggles: aye Smith: aye.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS: none

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

Eric Rogers, MLS Librarian, discussed with Board the Challenged Library Materials Policy.

- Challenged Library Materials Policy

Review the following updated/new board policies:

- 1.09 Officers of the Board of Education
- 4.01 Employment of Substitute Teaching Staff
- 6.06 Enrollment of Resident and Nonresident Homeless and Foreign Exchange Students
- 6.26 Dangerous Weapons in the Schools Bomb Threats and Violent Conduct
- 6.60 Seizure Safety
- 7.17 Extracurricular Activities
- 7.27 College Credit Plus
- 7.33 Released Time for Religious Instruction - NEW
- 8.05 Cash in School Buildings
- 8.10 Uniform Federal Grant Guidance
- 8.13 Procurement with Federal Grants Funds
- 8.18 Inventory and Disposition of Equipment Obtained with Federal Awards
- 9.15 Food Sale Standards and Services
- 9.49 Parents' Bill of Rights - NEW

Mrs. Allen arrived at 6:35

TREASURER'S REPORT:

2025-27

- A. Approve the financial reports as submitted for January 2025

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M: Bemis 2nd: Smith

Allen: aye, Bemis: aye, Helmstetter: aye, Ruggles: aye, Smith: aye.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

A. BUSINESS:

2025-28

1. Approve Board policy 2.06 Administrative Staff Reduction in Force

M: Allen 2nd: Bemis

Allen: aye, Bemis: aye, Helmstetter: aye Ruggles: aye Smith: aye.

2025-29

2. Approve the 2025 - 2026 Academic Calendar

M: Smith 2nd: Helmstetter

Allen: aye, Bemis: aye, Helmstetter: aye Ruggles: aye Smith: aye

2025-30

3. Approve the 2025 - 2026 High School Course Guide

M: Bemis 2nd: Smith

Allen: aye, Bemis: aye, Helmstetter: aye Ruggles: aye Smith: aye

2025-31

4. Approve the renewal with Frontline Education for the 2025–2026 school year

M: Allen 2nd: Helmstetter

Allen: aye, Bemis: aye, Helmstetter: aye Ruggles: aye Smith: aye

2025-32

5. Approve the agreement for College Credit Plus coursework with Lorain County Community College (LCCC) for the 2025-2026 school year

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M: Ruggles 2nd: Smith

Allen: aye, Bemis: aye, Helmstetter: aye Ruggles: aye Smith: aye

2025-33

6. Approve the Consortium membership agreement with Fisher-Titus Medical Center Occupational Health & Wellness Clinic

M: Bemis 2nd: Ruggles

Allen: aye, Bemis: aye, Helmstetter: aye Ruggles: aye Smith: aye

2025-34

7. Approve the Grade 3 Paper Testing Choice and District Resolution Collection for 2025–2026 school year

M: Helmstetter 2nd: Allen

Allen: aye, Bemis: aye, Helmstetter: aye Ruggles: aye Smith: aye

2025-35

8. Approve the 2025-2026 membership to Ohio High School Athletic Association

M: Bemis 2nd: Ruggles

Allen: aye, Bemis: aye, Helmstetter: aye Ruggles: aye Smith: aye

2025-36

9. Accept the resignation from Amanda Stieber as Assistant Senior Class Advisor for the 2025 – 2026 school year

M: Helmstetter 2nd: Allen

Allen: aye, Bemis: aye, Helmstetter: aye Ruggles: aye Smith: aye

2025-37

B. EMPLOYMENT:

1. Approve the appointment of Becky Kimball to join the Monroeville Public Library Board of Trustees (Kim Haughawout replacement – term ended 12/31/2024)

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M: Bemis 2nd: Ruggles

Allen: aye, Bemis: aye, Helmstetter: aye Ruggles: aye Smith: aye

2025-38

2. Approve the following volunteers for 2025 Spring Season:

Baseball:

- Scott Pisano

Softball:

- Pat Scheid
- Alex Schaffer

JH Track

- Brittni Myers

M: Allen 2nd: Helmstetter

Allen: aye, Bemis: aye, Helmstetter: aye Ruggles: aye Smith: aye

D. DONATIONS:

2025-39

1. Accept the following donations:

- \$500.00 from SCH-LOE-MAN Post 547- American Legion Inc. for the DC Trip
- \$15,000.00 from 21st Century Foundation – Underground Scholarship

M: Bemis 2nd: Allen

Allen: aye, Bemis: aye, Helmstetter: aye Ruggles: aye Smith: aye

X. DISCUSSION:

Next Board Meeting: March 10, 2024 at 6:30 pm

2025-40

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

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Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code permits discussion in executive session for the following specified purposes: The appointment, **employment**, **dismissal**, discipline, promotion, **demotion**, or compensation of public employees or regulated individuals or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee or regulated individual unless such person requests a public hearing.

TIME IN: 7:02 p.m.

Moved by Bemis Seconded by: Allen

Allen: aye, Bemis: aye, Helmstetter: aye Ruggles: aye Smith: aye

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TIME OUT: 8:07 p.m.

M: Bemis 2nd: Smith

Allen: - Bemis: aye Helmstetter: aye Ruggles: aye Smith: aye

2025-42

XII. ADJOURNMENT: 8:08 Time: p.m.

M: Ruggles 2nd: Bemis

Allen: - Bemis: aye Helmstetter: aye Ruggles: aye Smith: aye

Attest:

Board President:

Treasurer:

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