

**Monadnock Regional School District (MRSD)**  
**School Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Approved Minutes**  
**February 1, 2011**  
**Monadnock Regional MS/HS, Swanzey, NH**

**Members Present:** Ed Jacod, Bruce Barlow, Robert Smith, Phyllis Peterson, Pat Bauries, Winston Wright, Richard Thackston, Eric Stanley, Lisa Steadman, Mike Morrison and James Carnie. **Absent:** William Felton, Scott Ellsworth and unassigned seats from Roxbury and Sullivan.

**Administration present:** K. Craig, Assistant Superintendent, R. Matte, Special Ed. Director and J. Fortson, Business Manager,

**Also present:** B. Tatro, L. Sutton, M. Suarez, J. Smith and T. Stewart.

“The goal of the Monadnock Regional Board is to be the Best School District in the State.”

R. Thackston opened the meeting at 8:00 PM.

**1.Consent Agenda: MOTION:** R. Smith **MOVED** to accept the January 20, 2011

Public Meeting Minutes as amended. **SECOND:** P. Peterson **VOTE:** 9.6/0/1.1/4.3.

**Motion passes. MOTION:** P. Peterson **MOVED** to accept the 3 sets of January 20, 2011 Non-Public Meeting Minutes as presented. **SECOND:** R. Smith. **VOTE:**

8.4/0/2.2/4.3. **Motion passes.**

**2. Public Comments:**

**3. Student Government Report:** T. Stewart reported the committee did not meet. R. Thackston asked if the committee expressed any interest of having a representative on the Board. T. Stewart explained they have expressed no interest.

**4. Business Manager’s Report:**

**5. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:**

**1.Correspondence and Announcements:** J. Smith informed the Board they take a trip to the State House and now weapons are not allowed in the building. He is asking the Board if they would like to continue the trips to the State House. **MOTION:** R. Smith. **MOVED** to continue the field trips to the State House. **SECOND:** E. Jacod. **VOTE:** 8.5/2.1/0/4.3. **Motion passes.**

M. Suarez informed the Board there were 11 students on the Principal’s list, many on the high honors list and 20 students on the Honor Roll at Emerson.

B. Tatro informed the Board the Snowshoe Club will be starting on Monday afternoon. B. Tatro informed the Board the Fresh fruit and vegetable Program is working. She observed many students eating the food.

L. Sutton reported the report cards are done. Honors Breakfast will be held Feb. 11 at 7:45 AM. The Outing Club built a snow survival cave. The Winter Carnival is planned for March 17, 2011.

T. Stewart passed out a copy of the Monadnock Husky Report. It will also be sent with the report cards tomorrow.

**2. Curriculum Report:** .K. Craig did a recap of the recent NECAP scores that were released. The principals passed out information to the Board. K. Craig reviewed the information with the Board. She gave information to compare past years. She explained the Northern Schools did well the MS/HS is improving and the rest of the schools are leveling. It was commented we are making progress but the Special Ed. students are not. That is why the SERESC Report is so important. There is work to be done but there is progress at the High School.

**6. Board Chair Report:** R. Thackston informed the Board they would be making arrangements for arbitration. **MOTION:** R. Smith **MOVED** to amend the agenda to eliminate the Committee Reports tonight and move the business that will move the District forward. **SECOND:** E. Jacod. **VOTE:** 11.8/0/0/3.2.**Motion passes.**

**7. School Committee Report:**

**1. Community Relations Committee:**

**2. Education Committee:**

**3. Facilities Committee:**

**4. Finance Committee:**

**5. Policy Committee:**

**6. Budget Committee Rep.:**

**7. Cheshire Career Center:**

**8. Negotiations/Human Resource Committee:**

**9. SAU #93 Committee:**

**10. Principal Search:**

## **8. OLD BUSINESS:**

### **1. Old Business as may come before the Board:**

## **9. NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. Motions from Facilities Committee: MOTION:** E. Stanley **MOVED** on behalf of the Facilities Committee to purchase a Windsor Chariot in the amount of \$6400.00. **SECOND:** R. Smith. **DISCUSSION:** The rationale was in the Board packet. The funds will come out of the Cutler Furniture and Fixture Account and then from another school account. **VOTE:** 11.8/0/0/3.2. **Motion passes.**

### **2. Motions from Policy Committee:**

### **3. Motions from Finance Committee:**

**a. Action on the Manifest MOTION:** B. Barlow **MOVED** to accept the manifest in the amount of \$ 579,199.53 **SECOND:** P. Peterson **VOTE:** 11.8/0/0/3.2. **Motion passes.**

**1. Other New Business as may come before the Board: MOTION:** R. Smith **MOVED** to have the Facilities Committee do a study for the Multi-purpose Room at Mt. Caesar. **SECOND:** E. Stanley. **DISCUSSION:** R. Smith suggested a complete study involving B. Tatro, staff at Mt. Caesar, Food Service, the Facilities Director, administration and the School Board. It was commented to find out about State Funding for this project. K. Craig suggested the Education Committee study the MPR prior to the Facilities Study Committee. R. Thackston suggested the Facilities Committee start and then reach out to the other committees. E. Stanley commented Mt. Caesar is not part of the campus. That needs to be addressed. J. Carnie asked if we have the idea of a 5 year plan are we considering making the MPR the 6<sup>th</sup> year. E. Stanley commented we would not know until the study committee. B. Tatro explained the group at Mt. Caesar would like to do the leg work. P. Peterson commented that we need a MPR but we need to stick with the 5 year plan. W. Wright commented that Troy has never had a new project. Troy had items that needed to be taken care of. J. Carnie commented no one has the quote for the 5 year plan laid out. Before anything else we need to know year 4 and year 5, the MPR should not be year 6. B. Barlow commented we have year 4 and year 5. They are renovations to the MS/HS. If we get State Aid on the MPR that would be great. R. Thackston commented a lot of work needs to be done at Troy. It is probably the most unsafe school due to the fact the entrance faces the woods. **VOTE:** 8.4/0/3.4/3.2. **Motion passes.**

## **10. Setting the next agenda:**

## **11. Public Comments:**

**12. Motion to adjourn: MOTION:** R. Smith **MOVED** to adjourn the Board Meeting at 9:01 PM. **SECOND:** P. Bauries. **VOTE:** 11.8/0/0/3.2. **Motion passes.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Recording secretary