

MONROE PTO MINUTES
May 20th, 2025, 6:00pm
Monroe Elementary Media Center

TIME	TOPIC	DESCRIPTION
6:08 pm	Call to Order	Please sign in, Pick up Forms
6:08 pm	Introductions	PTO Board, staff and guests <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Jessica, Jui & Jayant (Parents), Niki (Member at Large), Brenda (Treasurer), Wendy (Volunteer Services), Mr. Mack (Media), Heather (Secretary), Tiffany (VP), Amy (Principal)
6:10 pm	Business	Approve April Minutes - Niki moves to approve, Brenda seconds June 3 Ice Cream Social - 5:30-7:30, flyers will come home soon
6:13 pm	Mr. Mack	- In Media sessions, he's coaching kids on how to use the Online Monroe Media Website. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Kids can use their Anoka Hennepin login to access Sora this summer, with the entire catalogue of kids' books in MELSA (23,000 e-books, 12,000 audio books). ● Anoka Hennepin School District also subscribed to the magazines, which will be fun for updated/current info on subjects they like ● Handout will be sent home with instructions
6:27	Presentation	Amy Oliver- Learning Goals Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Earned Magnet School of Distinction in Oct, and also earned PLTW distinction again this spring ● Curricula for next year - Wonders is being phased out; we will still use Bridges for Math. Character Strong & PLTW will continue next year, too ● School Board voted unanimously to support Bridge2Read (K-3 foundational skills) - knowledge-based curriculum, phonics, Amplify CKLA & Functional Morphology for Gr 4-5, complements Bridge2Read ● MN READ Act from the state did change a few assessments (removed MAP, will use Fastbridge for K-3, will trial for CAPTI for older students - these assessments screen for reading level, dyslexia, etc) ● In School, have continued to work on school culture (all grades have buddy classrooms, mentoring staff, having healthy teams); Using Reach My Teach for translating communication with families
6:45 pm	2025-2026 Board	Nomination/Votes for next year

- Current Board Members planning to continue for another year - Melissa Behrens (Pres), Tiffany Nguyen (VP), Heather Swanson (Secretary), Brenda Smith (Treasurer), Niki Matt (Member at Large)
- Jui moves to approve, Jayant seconds. Vote, ballot approved

6:50 pm Budget Review, Initial budget estimates for 2025-2026 year

- Actual Budget is on track for this year, see Brenda's overview
- Will review Budget for next year at Board mtg, and vote in the fall

7:00pm Meeting adjourns to gym for Welcome to Jackson Night (6th graders answering questions from 5th graders)