

Monument Academy School Board, Oct. 8 and 15

Board considers changes to learning options, accepts board member Byrd's resignation

By Jackie Burhans

The Monument Academy (MA) School Board held its regular board meeting on Oct. 8 in the Orchestra Room at the East Campus and a subsequent Zoom meeting on Oct. 15 at 9 a.m. to follow up on reviewing learning options. Ahead of the Oct. 8 meeting, the board met for training. At the regular meeting, the board accepted a resignation, discussed additional training requirements, asked to consider allocat-

ing funds for a holiday bonus, heard concerns about lunch seating, and discussed synchronous and asynchronous learning options.

A special meeting was held on Oct. 15 to further the discussion of learning options.

Board resignation and committee reorganization

The board announced it had received a resignation letter from member Susan Byrd;

it voted to accept the resignation and to remain a five-person board until the June board election. They also reorganized the board, naming Misty McCuen as board secretary.

Board member Ryan Graham expressed the need for a policy committee comprising two board members, a teacher, a parent, and an administrator. Graham and board President Melanie Strop vol-

unteered for the committee. They were unanimously accepted. The board discussed who else might be on the com-

mittee. Chief Operating Officer Christianna Herrera suggested that the HR director, Sherry Buzzell, would be an asset to

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