

Superintendent of schools candidate says:

Schools need budgeting help

by DAN DILLON

The superintendent of public instruction has to establish better communication with the state Legislature if school funding hurdles are to be overcome, says one candidate seeking the job.

State Sen. Rod Monroe, in Sandy last Thursday to meet with parents in the Kelso School area, told *The Post*, "The greatest failure with (incumbent) Verne Duncan is his total inability to work with the Legislature."

The result, he said, is that education was cut in the 1980 special session and cut "drastically" in the 1981 regular session. Basic school support has fallen to 33 percent, Monroe said, and the effect isn't likely to set well with taxpayers.

"When you cut basic school support, you're raising property taxes," Monroe said. The rise in property taxes has come about because of "great cuts in state and federal money," he said.

"The superintendent ought to be the state's number one advocate for public education," the non-partisan candidate said. "He ought to be the number one spokesman for public education and he ought to have a record of being effective with the state Legislature."

Monroe, a high school teacher for 17 years, said his record in the Legislature as an advocate of



Rod Monroe

responsible school financing and establishing educational policy would serve him well as head of the 400-person State Department of Education.

The biggest issue in the coming campaign is the low level of state support which increases the property taxes, Monroe said. A more stable funding source is needed to decrease reliance on the property tax method, he added.

When it was established, Monroe said, the intent of the Legislature was to make basic

school support pay for 50 percent of state schools' funding. He called that "an appropriate goal."

However, he said, there are now only four states that provide less school support than Oregon.

In light of the budgetary problems, he said, "the districts need the tools to do a more cost-effective educational job."

Monroe advocates independent state auditors who could analyze local school budgets, explain the process to local school boards and help them cut excesses.

"Our goal should always be the highest quality education for the lowest amount of dollars," he said.

An improved cooperation between community college districts and local high schools could make savings, Monroe said. "We absolutely have to do a better job in technical and vocational education in this state."

Shared campuses and advanced education for high school students are two other goals Monroe says could be realized by greater cooperation.

Monroe wants to improve problem identification in early elementary years to "start off with a positive thrust." That, he said, could help schools offer alternatives for the 33 percent of Oregon high school students who drop out.

Monroe, 39, lives in Portland with his wife and 10-year-old son.

Keeping posted:

Garden club meets at Boring

THURSDAY, FEB. 4
A representative from the Clackamas County Animal Control office will be at Sandy City Hall from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. to sell 1982 dog licenses.

MONDAY, FEB. 8
The city Budget Committee meets at 7:30 p.m. at Sandy City Hall.

Commerce meets at noon at the Tollgate Inn.
Sandy chapter of Eastern Star meets at 8 p.m. in the L.O.O.F. Hall.

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. to sell 1982 dog licenses.

The February meeting of the Dover Extension Study Group will be held at 9:30 a.m. at the home of Nancy Fenton, Rt. 1, Box 393, Eagle Creek. Guest speaker will be Clackamas County Assessor George Malin. A potluck luncheon will be held. For directions, call Lynda Burks at 668-8835.

The Sandy Golden Age Club holds its semi-monthly potluck at the Sandy Senior Center today at noon.

The Sandy Rebekah Lodge meets at 8 p.m. at the Masonic Hall.

FRIDAY, FEB. 5
A chili feed and carnival, sponsored by the Sandy Parent-Teacher Club will be held from 5:30 to 9 p.m. at Sandy Elementary School.

"Butterflies Are Free," presented by Sandy Community Players, opens its final weekend with an 8 p.m. performance at the Sandy Community Theater on Proctor Boulevard. Tickets are available at Sandy Country Florist during business hours.

TUESDAY, FEB. 9
The Sandy Garden Club meets from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Boring Fire Hall for a combined potluck and meeting with the Wildwood Club. Dorothy Shrum and Ed McRae will present a program on lilies. The club will plan a home placement show with the Wildwood Club at this meeting. District 15 Director Pat Russell will be the guest. Members may meet at the Sandy Rexall parking lot at 10:40 a.m. for rides. Sandy Area Chamber of

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 10
The Sandy TOPS Club meets at 9 a.m. in the Sandy Community Action Center.

A public hearing on the proposed 1982-82 city of Sandy budget will be held at 7:30 p.m. at Sandy City Hall.

THURSDAY, FEB. 11
This will be the final time that a representative from the Clackamas County Animal Control office will be at Sandy City Hall from

SATURDAY, FEB. 6
The Board of Directors of Oral Hull Foundation for the Blind meets at 1:30 p.m. in the Rainbow Lodge. "Butterflies Are Free" concludes its run at the Sandy Community Theater at 8 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEB. 7
The semi-annual meeting of the Cliffside Cemetery Association will be held at 2 p.m. at the Community Presbyterian Church.

Portland man tells police of assault

A Rhododendron man was charged with second-degree assault following an altercation Saturday on Pioneer Boulevard.

Corwin H. Price, 43, of Portland, told Sandy police that he was driving east on Highway 26 entering Sandy at approximately 6 p.m. when a pickup truck pulled in front of him, causing him to swerve into the right lane.

He said that the driver of the truck pulled over into the lane also. Price said he pulled over to the side of the street near the intersection of Pioneer Boulevard and Meinig Avenue. When he did, the driver of the truck stopped, got out of his car and approached the Price vehicle.

After he rolled down the window, Price said he was struck in the face.

Later Saturday evening, at 8:45 p.m., Sandy police arrested John Allen Logan, 36, of Rhododendron, and charged him with second-degree assault. He was also cited for driving with a suspended license and reckless driving. He was taken to Clackamas County Jail.

Last Thursday afternoon, Sandy police cited two 12-year-old girls into

Clackamas County Juvenile Court for disorderly conduct after they were allegedly fighting in Meinig Park.

Also on Thursday, an 11-year-old male was referred to Juvenile Court after employees at Sandy Sentry told police that someone had taken eight empty soda pop bottles.

Last Friday, employees

at the Tollgate Inn told Sandy police that someone took a metal hose reel and 275 feet of hose from the restaurant. The loss was estimated at \$150.

Sunday, Sandy police arrested Donald Ray Conn, age unknown, of Sandy, on a fugitive warrant from Eugene authorities on charges of offensive littering. He was taken to Clackamas County Jail.

Zoning set for new industrial tract

The Sandy City Council Monday night appointed a new planning commission member and changed the zone for the newest parcel inside the city limits.

Linda Daniels, who has served as a planning com-

mission advisor, was named a new commission member. She replaces Monte Schnepf, who resigned after he moved outside the city's urban growth boundary.

At the same time, the

council named Elvira Muff to take Daniels' place as a commission advisor.

Following a public hearing, the council designated a light industrial zone for the 5.5-acre tract across 362nd Drive from Sandy's

Industrial Park which was annexed into the city in December.

The parcel, currently owned by Harold "Ben" Salisbury, is located within the boundaries of land now designated for industrial use in the city's comprehensive plan.

The council also approved an \$867.66 expenditure for the initial cost of computerizing Sandy Public Library.

That money goes to pay for oversizing of telephone lines from Oregon City to Damascus which will transmit data.

Malin talks taxes with Extension

Clackamas County Assessor George Malin will be the guest speaker at the February meeting of the Lover Home Extension Study Group next Thursday, Feb. 11.

Malin will speak on "Your Property Taxes." A discussion, lead by Barbara Boswell and Mary Sooter, will cover property assessment, 6 percent limitation, special programs to reduce taxes, how Oregon property taxes are

computed, and new tax laws.

The business meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. at the home of Nancy Fenton, Rt. 1, Box 393, Eagle Creek.

Co-hostess will be Mary Thorsell. Interested homemakers in the Firwood-Dover area are invited to attend extension study group meetings.

Jamboree, chili feed raises funds

St. Jude's Home will host its annual Rock and Roll Jamboree Feb. 17 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the L.O.O.F. Hall on Pioneer Boulevard.

The event, sponsored by the American Heart Association, will include a chili feed and continuous musical entertainment.

The jamboree gives residents of nursing homes an opportunity to help others by raising funds pledged for their rocking in rocking chairs and rolling in wheel chairs.

Musical entertainment for the event will be provided by the Gresham Hot Shot Band, the Etacada Jolly Band, the Jackson band and organist Dennis Grubbs.

The menu for the \$2.50 chili feed includes, chili, cornbread, cole slaw, dessert and beverage. Much of the food has been donated by Sandy area merchants.

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