

Pendleton County Schools Fourteenth County Board Meeting Tuesday, February 9, 2010

The Pendleton County Board of Education convened in Regular Session on Tuesday, February 9, 2010, at the Pendleton County Board of Education Annex. The following members were present: J. D. Wilkins, President; Richard Gillespie, Vice-president; Sonny O'Neil; Betty Kimble. Central Office Staff present: Douglas Lambert, Superintendent; Donald Bucher; J. P. Mowery; Charles Hedrick. Also present: Bob Tuckerman and Paula Waggy – Pendleton County Library.

CALL TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT: President Wilkins called the meeting to order at 6:03 P.M.
Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation: Mr. Lambert led the *Pledge of Allegiance* and Mr. Wilkins led the group in prayer.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

The minutes of the January 26, 2009 Board Meeting and Executive Session: Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Kimble, seconded by Mr. O'Neil, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the above Board Meeting.

Transfer Hearings: There were no transfer hearings requested.

PERSONNEL:

Retirements/Resignations:

Paula Mitchell - Teacher - Brandywine Elementary.

Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. O'Neil, seconded by Ms. Kimble, the Board voted unanimously to approve the retirements/resignations.

Employment of Personnel:

Ryan Lambert - Junior Varsity Boys Basketball Coach PCHS.

Upon Mr. Bucher's recommendation and a motion by Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Mr. O'Neil, the Board voted unanimously to approve the above employment of personnel. Mr. Lambert abstained from making the recommendation.

Approval of Employees Placed on Transfer:

Rodney Cooper - Due to the need to reduce/realign the Behavior Disorders program and the Alternative Education Program at PCM/HS;

Anita Warner - Due to the need to reduce service personnel positions and realign staff based upon need and seniority;

Beth Kimble - Due to the need to reduce service personnel positions and realign staff based upon need and seniority;

Heidi Armentrout-Kimble - Due to the need to move your position from 1st grade to 2nd grade; and the possibility of lack of need for two second grade teachers next school year at Brandywine Elementary;

Cassie Mallow - Due to need to realign and refocus the Title I program next school year which may or may not affect your current position;

Crystal Ceely - Due to need to realign and refocus the Title I program next school year which may or may not affect your current position;

Amy Rexrode - Due to need to realign and refocus the Title I program next school year which may or may not affect your current position;

Elizabeth Mitchell - Due to need to realign and refocus the Title I program next school year which may or may not affect your current position;

Angela Cooper - Due to need to realign and refocus the Title I program next school year which may or may not affect your current position.

Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Kimble, seconded by Mr. Gillespie, the Board voted unanimously to approve the above employees to be placed on transfer.

FINANCE:

Bills Submitted for Approval Month Ended January 31, 2010: Mr. Mowery presented the bills for approval for the month ended January 31, 2010, in the amount of \$502,175.56. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. O'Neil, seconded by Ms. Kimble, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Bills as presented.

Treasurer's Report for Month Ended January 31, 2010: Mr. Mowery gave a Treasurer's Report for the month ended January 31, 2010, and explained the receipts, disbursements, fund balance, accounts payable and cash and investment amounts. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Ms. Kimble, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented.

Budget Supplements: Mr. Mowery presented Budget Supplement #126-(\$107,909.18). Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Kimble, seconded by Mr. Gillespie, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Budget Supplements as presented.

FY 2010-2011 Preliminary Budget: Mr. Mowery presented the FY 2010-2011 Preliminary Budget to the Board. He discussed the many issues the Board faces with declining discretionary funding and higher expenses.

Library Funding Request - FY 10: Bob Tuckerman spoke about the new legislative rules, library had to match grants in aid provided by the State Library Commission, three sources of money – school board, county commission, Town of Franklin, needed \$800 more from Board to reach half way level to work toward reaching the other half that they need to match, asking for \$800 more in addition to the \$3,200 already provided for FY10. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Ms. Kimble, the Board voted unanimously to approve the \$800.00 to the library funding for FY-11. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. O'Neil, seconded by Mr. Gillespie, the Board voted unanimously to amend the motion to add the \$800.00 to FY 10 instead of FY 11.

Library Funding Request - FY 11: Bob Tuckerman and Paula Waggy were present to request that the Pendleton County Board of Education increase the Library funding from \$3,200 to \$17,268 for FY-11. Mr. Tuckerman told the board that the legislative digest aided the library over the past years but that funding is now gone. He gave a comparison of books and usage in Pendleton County Library compared to Grant and Hardy County Libraries. Paula Waggy spoke about the importance of library with youth and adults, resources, materials, computers and programs offered by the library. There was no action taken on this request at this meeting. Upon the Superintendent's recommendation and a motion by Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Ms. Kimble, the Board voted unanimously to request the Pendleton County Library provide to the Pendleton County Board of Education their financial statement, latest audit report/overall financial condition, data on where the users are coming from, what age groups, number of patrons, geographic location within the county.

Financial Update: Mr. Mowery gave the Board Members a copy of the Kids Count data. Pendleton County is number one in West Virginia.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Board Member Pay for Meeting Attendance: There was discussion about the pay for Board of Education Members for meetings and trainings. Under state code pay for trainings is not allowed. Upon the Superintendent's recommendation and a motion by Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Mr. O'Neil, the Board voted unanimously to pay Board Members for meetings addressed in State Code – work sessions, retreats and such meetings allowed by the code.

Policies for Approval - Final Reading/Adoption: Mr. Mowery and Mr. Lambert presented the Policies for Final Reading/Adoption. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Kimble, seconded by Mr. O'Neil, the Board voted unanimously to approve the final reading/adoption of the Policies.

OTHER:

Attendance Report - Fifth Month: Charles Hedrick presented the Fifth Month Attendance Report to the Board.

Excess Levies in Effect 2010: Mr. Lambert gave the Board Members copies of charts from Joe Panetta showing the 43 counties with Excess Levies, date of election, percent of votes for levy, number of years and expiration date.

Spring Work Session: There was discussion about the Spring Work Session, involving Principals in the first part of the meeting and then they could leave. The Spring Work Session will be held on Tuesday, April 13th starting at 4:00 P.M.

Strategic Plan: Mr. Lambert told the Board Members that would be some meetings on the Strategic Plan in the next months.

Conference/Meeting Update: Mr. Lambert will be in Charleston on February 11th, February 19th and 20th.

The next meeting of the Pendleton County Board of Education will be held on Tuesday, February 23, 2010, at the Pendleton County Middle/High School Library at 6:00 P.M. Upon a motion by Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Ms. Kimble, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 P.M.

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