

Pendleton County Schools Fifteenth County Board Meeting
Wednesday, February 21, 2007

The Pendleton County Board of Education convened in Regular Session on Wednesday, February 21, 2007, at the North Fork Elementary School. The following members were present J. D. Wilkins, President; Kevan Hoover, Vice- President; Grey Cassell; Teresa Bowers and Richard Gillespie. Central Office Staff present: Douglas Lambert, Superintendent; J. P. Mowery; Lorna Judy and Nancy Blankenship. There was a Levy Presentation to the North Fork Elementary School PTO at 5:30 followed by the meeting with the North Fork Elementary School SCT.

CALL TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT: President Wilkins called the meeting to order at 7:00 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 February 5, 2007 Board Meeting and Executive Session: Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Mr. Cassell, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the above Board Meeting.

FINANCE:

Bills Presented for Approval Month Ended January 31, 2007: Mr. Mowery presented the bills for approval for the month ended January 31, 2007 in the amount of \$518,928.85. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Dr. Hoover, seconded by Ms. Bowers, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Bills as presented.

Treasurer's Report Month Ended January 31, 2007: Mr. Mowery gave a Treasurer's Report for the month ended January 31, 2007, and explained the receipts, disbursements, fund balance, accounts payable and cash and investment amounts. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Dr. Hoover, seconded by Mr. Gillespie, the Board voted unanimously to approve the January Treasurer's Report.

FY 2007-08 Preliminary Budget: Mr. Mowery gave the Board Members a Preliminary Budget and a sheet explaining line items in the budget.

Kids Count Survey: Mr. Mowery gave the Board Members a handout showing that Pendleton County is second in the state as far as well being of children. The report also showed some of the things that are factored in to determine that rating and showed comparisons of like counties in the state.

Excess Levy Update: Mr. Mowery told the Board Members that a quorum of board members will need to be present to canvas the votes from the Levy Election. This week the proposed ballot is in the *Pendleton Times*. Two weeks prior to the election the levy notice and the ballot will be in the paper. Mr. Lambert and Mr. Mowery have three presentations this week: the Pendleton County Bank employees on Tuesday evening, North Fork Elementary PTO prior to the Board Meeting and Thursday evening will meet with David Seymour's extension group.

Financial Update: Mr. Mowery talked about the school aid formula movement in Charleston and the talk about real changes needed to help counties like Pendleton. He also gave the Board Members a chart on Forest Land payments and Impact Aid payments. Mr. Mowery will be meeting with Adam

Tomlinson from Senator Capito's office on Friday evening. Mr. Cassell will also meet with them.

OLD BUSINESS:

Brandywine Elementary School Electrical Service: Mr. Lambert gave the Board Members a copy of correspondence from Allegheny Power stating that they will cover the costs for the electrical service to Brandywine Elementary School. Mr. Lambert will write a letter of appreciation to Jim Musgrove of Allegheny Power.

Volunteer Drivers: There was discussion about volunteer drivers, the current policy and the need to revise the policy. Volunteer drivers will not be covered under the Board of Risk Insurance Policy. Mr. Mowery will make a form to go along with the application for volunteer drivers regarding insurance coverage.

NEW BUSINESS:

Pendleton County School's Pre-K Plan: Mr. Bucher will present additional information at the March 5th Board Meeting.

PERSONNEL:

Employment of Personnel:

Substitute Bus Drivers - pending completion of training and certification:

- Richard Adkins
- William Beatty
- Calvin Bailey
- Jason Bowers
- Jodi Green
- Steven Grogg
- Adam Hott
- Randall Kimble
- Joseph Mullens
- Lori Trail
- James Waybright

Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Bowers, seconded by Dr. Hoover, the Board voted unanimously to approve the employment of the above bus drivers pending completion of training and certification.

Contracted Services - Mark Bowman - Distance Learning Facilitator. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Mr. Cassell, the Board voted unanimously to approve the employment of the above contracted services personnel pending a successful background check.

Resignations/Retirements: Amanda Berry - Substitute Aide. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Bowers, seconded by Dr. Hoover, the Board voted unanimously to approve the above resignation.

OTHER INFORMATION ITEMS/BOARD ISSUES:

Conference/Meeting Update: Mr. Lambert told the Board Members that this week he and Mr. Mowery had been in Charleston on Tuesday. The previous week on Friday and Saturday he and Dr. Hoover had attended the School Board Association Conference in Charleston. Mr. Lambert will be in Charleston on Thursday along with Doug Simmons and Mike Hammer for a Safe Schools Meeting.

Mr. Lambert and Mr. Mowery will meet with David Seymour's Extension Group on Thursday evening. They had met with the Pendleton County Bank employees on Tuesday evening and the North Fork Elementary School PTO this evening prior to the Board Meeting. Mr. Mowery will meet with Senator Capito's representative Adam Tomlinson at 3:30 P.M. on Friday evening.

On a motion by Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Dr. Hoover, the Board voted unanimously to go into Executive Session at 8:45 P.M. to discuss the Board Self-Evaluation and the Superintendent's Evaluation/Contract.

Board of Education Self-Evaluation:

Superintendent's Evaluation/Contract:

The Board returned to regular session at 10:10 P.M. The Board completed their self-evaluation that will be sent to Howard O'Cull at the West Virginia School Board's Association for compilation and analysis. The Board also evaluated Superintendent Lambert and issued this statement: "Mr. Lambert has met or exceeded standards set by the Pendleton County Board of Education and West Virginia Board of Education evaluative instruments. We are pleased with the hard work and leadership set forth by Mr. Lambert, the board staff, employees, students and parents. We look forward to continued progress."

The next meeting of the Pendleton County Board of Education will be held on Monday, March 5, 2007 at the Pendleton County Board of Education Annex in the Warner Building on High Street at 6:00 P.M. Upon a motion by Dr. Hoover, seconded by Mr. Cassell, the Board Meeting was adjourned at 10:12 P.M.

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