

Pendleton County Schools Sixteenth County Board Meeting
Tuesday, March 9, 2010

The Pendleton County Board of Education convened in Regular Session on Tuesday, March 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; Teresa Bowers; Betty Kimble. Central Office Staff present: Douglas Lambert, Superintendent; Donald Bucher; J. P. Mowery; Charles Hedrick and Nancy R. Blankenship.

CALL TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT: President Wilkins called the meeting to order at 6:00 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 23, 2010 Board Meeting and Executive Session: Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Bowers, seconded by Mr. O'Neil, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the above Board Meeting.

PERSONNEL:

Retirements/Resignations: Jack Lambert - Bus Operator. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Ms. Kimble, the Board voted unanimously to approve the retirements/resignations. Upon a motion by Mr. O'Neil, seconded by Ms. Kimble, the Board voted unanimously to go into Executive Session at 6:05 P.M. according to State Code 6-9a-4-2-a. to discuss personnel issues. The Board returned to regular session at 7:39 P.M.

FINANCE:

Bills Submitted for Approval Month Ended February 28, 2010: Mr. Mowery presented the bills for approval for the month ended February 28, 2010, in the amount of \$495,008.86. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Kimble, seconded by Mr. Gillespie, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Bills as presented.

Treasurer's Report for Month Ended February 28, 2010: Mr. Mowery gave a Treasurer's Report for the month ended February 28, 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. O'Neil, seconded by Ms. Bowers, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented.

Budget Supplements: Mr. Mowery presented Budget Supplements #127-\$4,007.73; #128-\$5,100.00. Total: \$9,107.73. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Mr. O'Neil, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Budget Supplements as presented.

Budget Transfers: Mr. Mowery gave the Board a copy of Budget Transfer #308 for \$24,000.00 transferring money into appropriate line items. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Bowers, seconded by Ms. Kimble, the Board voted unanimously to approve the budget transfer.

FY 2010-2011 Preliminary Budget: Mr. Mowery talked to the Board about Budget Items and went over the Levy and Budget Calendar timelines.

FY 2010-2011 Schedule of Proposed Levy Rates: Mr. Mowery presented the FY 2010-2011 Schedule of Proposed Levy Rates. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. O'Neil, seconded by Ms. Kimble, the Board voted unanimously to approve the FY 2010-2011 Schedule of Proposed Levy Rates.

Financial Update: Mr. Mowery presented charts on comparisons of electricity costs 2006-2010 countywide and by school. He also presented articles from the State Journal and Pendleton Times about Allegheny Power asking the Public Service Commission for a rate increase. There was information presented on electric bill analysis for North Fork Elementary School and Franklin Elementary School done by Ken Hughart, Mechanical Engineer for the West Virginia Department of Education, Office of School Facilities.

OLD BUSINESS:

P.22.1. Professional Substitute Policy - Final Reading/Adoption: Mr. Lambert presented P.22.1 Substitute Teacher Regulations for Final Reading/Adoption. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. O'Neil, seconded by Ms. Bowers, the Board voted unanimously to approve the second reading/adoption of the above policy.

P.22.1.1. Substitute Service Personnel Policy for 1st Reading and Discussion: There was discussion about the Substitute Service Personnel Policy and revisions were made. Upon the Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. O'Neil, seconded by Mr. Gillespie, the Board voted unanimously to approve the First Reading of the Substitute Service Personnel Policy with revisions.

Pendleton County Historical Society Request: Mr. Lambert presented a request from the Pendleton County Historical Society concerning the placement of the Franklin High School cupola on the Pendleton County Middle/High School property. A previous Board had approved the placement of the cupola as a monument to the old Franklin High School on the small knoll behind the old Kline Building. Since that time they have been informed that this location may conflict with future expansion of the school facility. They are now asking the Board to consider placing the cupola on the grassy area between the front of the school building and the covered walkway. There are four trees located there at this time. They are proposing that the cupola be located between the two center trees with a short walkway to provide access from the existing covered walkway. They stated that this area would not cause any obstruction to the building and would add to the esthetics of the façade. This item was tabled for further discussion.

NEW BUSINESS: There was no new business.

OTHER:

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

Correspondence: Mr. Lambert gave the Board Members information from the State Record on Executive Sessions.

2010-2011 School Calendar: Mr. Lambert gave the Board Members a copy of the materials for use in completing and submitting the proposed school calendar for the 2010-2011 school year. The three county superintendents and vocational director at South Branch have agreed on a master calendar that all three counties will follow for the 2010-2011 school year. The group will meet again on March 23rd at South Branch to review questions/concerns and to finalize the calendar.

Strategic Plan: Mr. Hedrick has had meetings on the Strategic Plan.

Conference/Meeting Update: Mr. Lambert will be in Charleston on March 11/12. He has attended several calendar meetings and will have one on March 23rd. Mr. Lambert met with Walt Helmick last week in Charleston. Mr. Lambert will be out of town on March 19 and March 22.

The next meeting of the Pendleton County Board of Education will be held on Tuesday, March 23, 2010, at the Brandywine Elementary School at 5:00 P.M. At 9:00 P.M., this meeting stands adjourned until April 20, 2010.

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