

## **Pendleton County Schools Fourth County Board Meeting Tuesday, August 25, 2009**

The Pendleton County Board of Education convened in Regular Session on Tuesday, August 25, 2009, at the Pendleton County Board of Education Annex. The following members were present: J. D. Wilkins, President; Richard Gillespie, Vice-President; Teresa Bowers; Sonny O'Neil; Betty Kimble. Central Office Staff present: Douglas Lambert, Superintendent; Donald Bucher; J. P. Mowery; Charles Hedrick; and Nancy R. Blankenship. Also present: student and parent.

Mr. Lambert recognized a student for winning the State Fair Coloring Contest.

**CALL TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT:** President Wilkins called the meeting to order at 6:05 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 August 11, 2009 Board Meeting: Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Bowers, seconded by Ms. Kimble, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the above Board Meeting.

### **PERSONNEL:**

#### **Retirements/Resignations:**

Elden Puffenbarger - SBVCTC Vocational Bus Run

Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. O'Neil, seconded by Mr. Gillespie. Bowers the Board voted unanimously to accept the above retirements/resignations.

#### **Employment of Personnel:**

William Weltman - Itinerant Elementary Music Teacher

Michael Vargo - Sixth Grade Elementary Teacher FE

Cassie Mallow - Reading Interventionist 4 days/week – BES

Heidi Armentrout-Kimble - First Grade Elementary Teacher BES

Wanda Wimer - SBVCTC Bus Run

William Weltman - Assistant Band Director

Sean Rice - Cross Country Coach

Sean Rice - Head Track Coach

Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Bowers, seconded by Ms. Kimble, the Board voted unanimously to approve the employment of the above personnel.

#### **Mentor Teachers for New Staff:**

Deborah M. Glover - FES for Reading Interventionist/Sp. Ed. Teacher Rebecca Heavner;

Becky Rightsell - FES for Elementary Education Teacher Michael Vargo;

Sam Yokum - PCM/HS for High School Social Studies Teacher Sean Rice;

Sheila Evick - PCM/HS for Middle School Social Studies Teacher Julie Barb; Mary Beth

Lambert - PCM/HS for Math Interventionist Mary Brenneman; Dwight Sponaugle - for Itinerant Elementary Music Teacher William Weltman; Paula Mitchell - BES for Reading Interventionist Cassie Mallow;

Patty Sickler - BES for Elementary Education Teacher Travis Heavner;

Jane Conrad - BES for Elementary Education Teacher Heidi Kimble.

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

**Removal from Transfer:**

Patrick Godfrey - Realignment within the Social Studies Dept. according to FY-10 Schedule;

Gary Smith - Realignment within the Social Studies Dept. according to FY-10 Schedule.

Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Bowers, seconded by Ms. Kimble, the Board voted unanimously to approve the above personnel from transfer.

**FINANCE:**

**Budget Supplements:** Mr. Mowery presented Budget Supplements #S-1-\$297,636.74; S-2-\$14,206.00; S-3-\$119,618.00; S-4-\$7,108.00; S-5-\$0.00; Total - \$424,352.74. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. O'Neil, seconded by Mr. Gillespie, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Budget Supplements as presented.

**Budget Transfers:** Mr. Mowery presented to the Board Budget Transfers T-1 - \$277,147.00; T-2 - \$18,136.00; T-3 - \$58,057.00; T-4 - \$73,118.00; T-5 - \$194,627.00; Total - \$621,085.00. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Bowers, seconded by Ms. Kimble, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Budget Transfers as presented.

**Individual School Financial Reports:** This item will be presented at the next board meeting.

**CLT Lease Agreement/Contract Signings:** Mr. Mowery presented information regarding the CLT Lease Agreement/Contract. Mr. Mowery and the Board talked to Attorney Edward D. McDevitt. Mr. Mowery gave the Board a brief recap of what had been taking place. Mr. McDevitt gave information on the background and process for the CLT Lease Agreement/Contract. There will be a ten year lease at 4.2%. Funding will take place with the Bank of the Ozarks. It will take 6 months for the project to complete. The Board signed the contracts so as to move forward with a September 1 closing date.

**Financial Update:** Mr. Mowery did not have any information for financial update.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Roadway by FES:** Mr. Lambert told the Board Members that the signs were up to close the FES Roadway during school hours.

**NFES Air Quality:** Dr. McCauley from WVU was at NFES today. There will be data collected at NFES during the year. He passed out information to staff members and talked to staff members individually and as a group. Data will be collected and analyzed.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Honors Policy:** Mr. Shelba Vincell, Guidance Counselor at Pendleton County High School, was present to talk about the Honors Policy and Valedictory and Salutatory Policy. The Committee at Pendleton County High School has met and gone over the Honors Policy to bring it in line with State Policy. Mr. Vincell also went over the revisions to the Valedictory and Salutatory Policy which will begin with the Graduating Class of 2013. There will be a change in the process of calculation for class ranking. Upon the Superintendent's recommendation and a motion by Mr. O'Neil, seconded by Ms. Bowers, the Board voted unanimously to approve the First Reading of the Honors Policy. Upon the Superintendent's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Bowers, seconded by Mr. Gillespie, the Board voted unanimously to approve the First Reading of the Valedictory and Salutatory Policy.

**Out-of-County Transfer Request:** Mr. Lambert presented an out-of-county transfer request to

renew a request to continue to attend Grant County Schools. Upon the Superintendent's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Bowers, seconded by Mr. O'Neil, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Out-of-County Transfer Request.

**OTHER:**

**Approval of Step 7 Plan:** Mr. Lambert presented a letter to the Board from the WV Department of Education approving the Step 7 Plan for Pendleton County Schools for the 2009-2010 School Year.

**Summer School Report:** Mr. Vincell gave a report on the number of summer school students, the Credit Recovery classes, courses taken through Virtual School Credit and students who took classes so that they could get enough credits to be able to go to Vocational School this school year.

**Five Year Plan:** Charles Hedrick gave the Board Members a report on the Five Year Plan and updates. Mr. Hedrick went over the WESTEST scores. All Pendleton County Schools made AYP.

**WV School Board Association Fall Conference:** The West Virginia School Boards Association Fall Conference will be held September 11-12, 2009 in Charleston. The following Board Members will be attending: Sonny O'Neil, Betty Kimble, Teresa Bowers, Richard Gillespie, J. D. Wilkins, and Douglas Lambert. Nancy Blankenship will be attending the Superintendent's Secretaries Meeting that is held in conjunction with the School Board Association Meeting.

**Conference/Meeting Update:** Mr. Lambert told the Board Members he has attended or will be attending the following meetings: There will be a RESA Meeting on Thursday, August 27th. Mr. Lambert and Vickie Skavenski will be going to Charleston for a WVACHE Meeting on Friday, August 28th with Dr. Paine and Governor Manchin. Mr. Lambert complimented everyone on the beginning of school breakfast and opening presentation. Mr. Lambert told the Board Members that the schools are ready for opening day on Wednesday, August 26th. Mr. Lambert hopes to have new computers and wireless computers at the next meeting. Message went out to 1136 students on Tuesday night to welcome them back to school. Messages also went out to personnel on Thursday evening, August 20th to welcome personnel back for the school year.

**Superintendent's Goals:** There was discussion about the Superintendent's Goals which will be formally adopted at the next Board Meeting.

The next meeting of the Pendleton County Board of Education will be held on Tuesday, September 8, 2009, at Pendleton County Board of Education Annex at 6:00 P.M. Upon a motion by Ms. Bowers, seconded by Ms. Kimble, the meeting was adjourned at 8:33 P.M.

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