

## **Pendleton County Schools Fifth County Board Meeting Tuesday, September 23, 2008**

The Pendleton County Board of Education convened in Regular Session on Tuesday, September 23, 2008, at Brandywine Elementary School. 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; J. P. Mowery; and Nancy R. Blankenship. Also Present: Debra Jackson.

The Board recognized Mr. William Innes and the Brandywine Elementary Playground Volunteers for their work on the Brandywine Elementary School Playground and presented a plaque to Mr. Innes.

The Board met with the Brandywine Elementary School LSIC/Faculty Senate 6:00 P.M. - 6:50 P.M.

**CALL TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT:** President Wilkins called the meeting to order at 7:05 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 September 9, 2008 Board Meeting: Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. O'Neil, seconded by Ms. Kimble, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the above Board Meeting.

### **PERSONNEL:**

**Employment of Personnel:** Beth Kimble - Special Education Instructional/Bus Aide FES. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Bowers, seconded by Mr. Gillespie, the Board voted unanimously to approve the employment of personnel.

### **FINANCE:**

**FY 2007-2008 Financial Statements:** Mr. Mowery presented and explained the FY 2007-2008 Year End Annual Financial Statements. This Financial Statement shows Pendleton County Schools having a balance of \$6,721.00 at the close of the 2007-2008 School Year. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Bowers, seconded by Mr. Gillespie, the Board voted unanimously to approve the FY 2007-2008 Financial Statements. The Board complimented Mr. Mowery and Mr. Lambert on the financial accomplishments.

**Budget Supplements:** Mr. Mowery presented the following budget supplements: #102-\$1,877,846.57; #103-\$21,725.48; #104-\$34,780.54; #105-\$356,721.05; #106-\$180,204.98. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. O'Neil, seconded by Ms. Kimble, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Budget Supplements as presented.

**Budget Transfers:** Mr. Mowery presented budget transfer #302 - \$75,428.00 transferring money into appropriate line items. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. O'Neil, seconded by Ms. Kimble, the Board voted unanimously to approve the budget transfers.

**Financial Update:** Mr. Mowery talked to the Board about the following items: 1) Bus Issues, 2) Biodiesel will be discussed later in the meeting; 3) Intervention Position at Brandywine Elementary

School; 4) MIP Grant; 5) CEFP - Comprehensive Education Facilities Plan for next 5 years.

**OLD BUSINESS:** There was no old business.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Memorandum of Understanding - WV Department of Health and Human Services:** Mr. Lambert presented the Memorandum of Understanding from the WV Department of Health and Human Services. The Board gave Mr. Lambert permission to sign these and other like agreements and to let them know about them.

**PCM/HS Golf Team:** Mr. Lambert told the Board Members that Sam Yokum, Charles Hedrick and Hector Davilla have been invited to the next Board Meeting to discuss the PCM/HS Golf Team.

**Gym Floor - Damages, Repairs - PCHS:** There was discussion about the gym floor damage and repairs at Pendleton County High School. Scott's Flooring will be at the school on Thursday, September 24 to examine the floor and to give a cost for repairing. Doug Simmons has received an estimate for ceiling repair. Westfield Insurance Company has sent a check for \$13,000 to cover damage, overtime, costs and repairs. The Board will have a special board meeting on Tuesday, September 30th at the Pendleton County Middle/High School Main Office at 5:00 P.M. to discuss the gym floor. (SPECIAL MEETING WAS CANCELLED.)

**OTHER:**

**Request to WVDE for Waiver of Funds:** Mr. Lambert gave the Board Members a copy of the letter from the WV Department of Education approving a waiver of Instructional materials: Group III Adoption - Art/Social Studies, Grades K-6 saving a projected \$40,000 of Step VII funds to be allocated toward the present deficit.

**Home Schooled Students:** Debra Jackson presented a list of 46 home-schooled students.

**Attendance - First Month:** Debra Jackson presented the First Month Attendance Report.

**AYP Update - County Status:** Mr. Lambert told the Board Members that only 4 out of 55 counties in the State made AYP: Gilmer, Wirt, Monroe and Pleasants Counties.

**Annual Review of Facilities:** Mr. Lambert gave the Board Members a copy of the letters for the annual facilities review for Pendleton County High School and North Fork Elementary School indicating and commending for no findings. Mr. Lambert told the Board Members that this is a tribute to Doug Simmons, Mike Hammer and the custodian staff at the schools. Mr. Lambert will invite these personnel to the next Board Meeting to recognize them.

**Hardy County Newspaper Article:** Mr. Lambert gave the Board Members a copy of the Hardy County Newspaper Article regarding the Hardy County Board of Education and a session with Howard O'Cull, Executive Director of the WV Board Of Education Association.

**Biodiesel Information:** Mr. Mowery said he would like to hear from Richard Mallow, Chief Mechanic before proceeding any further with biodiesel. Mr. O'Neil has talked to Nathan Beacher at Atlantic Oil. The Board Members expressed their desire to hear from Upshur County since they have been using biodiesel.

**Beginning of School Breakfast - Thank You - NFES:** Mr. Lambert gave the Board Members a copy of the thank you letter from the North Fork Elementary Staff for the Beginning of School Breakfast.

**Fall Retreat:** The Board Retreat will be held on Saturday, November 1st at the Navy Base. Principals and Central Office Staff will be invited to participate in the Retreat.

**Fall WV School Board Association Conference - Charleston:** The fall WV School Board Associa-

tion Conference will fall on the same day as the Board Retreat. No one will be attending from Pendleton County.

**Conference/Meeting Update:** Mr. Lambert will be attending the Title V Luncheon on September 30th. October 1-3 Mr. Lambert will be in Morgantown and October 6/7 in Charleston for RESA Director's interviews. October 12/13 Interim Meetings in Charleston and October 14-16 21st Century Plan. Mr. Lambert told the Board Members that he has monthly roundtable meetings with the Principals.

**Superintendent's Goals:** Mr. Lambert presented the following goals:

1. To provide instructional programs and educational services that ensure accountability, academic success, and high expectations for all students through the implementation of essential curriculums, by expanding intervention or accelerated programs, and by providing support services to all students.
2. To enhance and strengthen the roles and relationships of people in the school system and the community.
3. Refine the rules and regulations that govern operations of the school system.
4. Work with BOE to develop long range goals in personnel and facility issues.

Upon a motion by Ms. Bowers, seconded by Ms. Kimble, the Board voted unanimously to approve Superintendent Lambert's Goals for the 2008-2009 School Year.

The next meeting of the Pendleton County Board of Education will be held on Tuesday, September 30, 2008, at the Pendleton County Middle/High School Main Office at 5:00 P.M. Upon a motion by Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Mr. O'Neil, the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 P.M.