

**PENDLETON COUNTY SCHOOLS SEVENTH COUNTY BOARD MEETING
MONDAY 2 OCTOBER 2006**

The Pendleton County Board of Education convened in Regular Session on Monday, October 2, 2006, at the Pendleton County Middle/High School Library. The following members were present: J. D. Wilkins, President; Dr. Kevan Hoover, Vice-President; Grey Cassell; Teresa Bowers and Richard Gillespie. Central Office Staff present: Douglas Lambert, Superintendent; Donald Bucher; J. P. Mowery and Nancy Blankenship. Also Present were Debra Jackson, Patricia McClung, Cheryl Dahmer Mills, John Smith, John Marra, Connie Waggy, Ed Tallman from *The Pendleton Times*, Greg Williamson, Bill Ratcliffe and Joe Evans from Williamson - Shriver Architects.

The Board met had a reception to honor retirees Patricia McClung and Cheryl Dahmer Mills and elementary principals John Smith and John Marra from 6:00 - 6:35 P.M. Mr. Wilkins and Mr. Lambert presented each with a plaque from Pendleton County Schools.

CALL TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT: President Wilkins called the meeting to order at 6:40 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation: Mr. Gillespie led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Mr. Wilkins led the group in prayer.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Connie Waggy talked to the Board about hiring a drama teacher when they advertise for an English or History position.

PRESENTATIONS:

Williamson and Shriver, Architects: Greg Williamson, Joe Evans and Bill Radcliffe were present at the Board Meeting to represent Williamson and Shriver, Architects. They had met earlier in the afternoon with the Brandywine Elementary School Staff Design Committee to go over the design for the new school building. They went over the design of the building and the changes that have been made from the original design.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

The minutes of the September 20, 2006 Board Meeting and Executive Session and September 25, 2006 Special Board Meeting: Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Bowers, seconded by Dr. Hoover, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the above Board Meetings.

FINANCE:

Budget Supplements: There were no budget supplements presented at this meeting.

Financial Update: Mr. Mowery gave the Board Members handouts showing:

- Federal Revenue by County for counties with less than 1,400 enrollment and sorted by Federal Funding, Enrollment, Students per square mile, State Funding and Local Funding
- Forest Land Payments for Pendleton County Schools Fy98 - FY06
- Articles from the Pocahontas Times Local News on "Board of Education Receives Warning on Possible Loss of Federal Money" and
- "Pocahontas County Commission Joins More Than 200 Local Officials to Call for One-Year Reauthorization of Secure Rural Schools and Community Act"
- List of Businesses and School Systems in the National Forest Counties and Schools Coalition
- WV Gazette article on "School Buses filling up with alternative fuels - 15 W. Va. Counties

have switched to biodiesel”

- Preliminary computations for projected transportation allowance for the 2006-07 school year
- Composite county ranks for Pendleton County from the West Virginia Kids Count Data Book
- Site usage information and charts for the Pendleton County Schools website. There was discussion about the above items.

OTHER INFORMATION ITEMS/BOARD ISSUES:

WESTEST Charts for County Test Scores: Debra Jackson gave the Board Members charts of comparison for three years for Math and Reading - Mastery or Above for grades 3-8. She also gave them a chart on the writing assessment for 2005-2006 for grades 4, 7 and 10 showing count and state percentages at or above mastery.

Attendance/Testing - Debra Jackson: Debra Jackson gave the Board Members an Attendance Accountability report for the First Month of School - August 28, 2006 - September 19, 2006. She explained all the sections of the report.

WVSBA Fall Conference: Mr. Lambert, Mr. Gillespie and Ms. Bowers attended the WVSBA Fall Conference in Charleston on September 22-23. They gave a report on the sessions that they had attended.

President’s Retreat: Mr. Wilkins and Mr. Cassell will be attending the President’s Retreat at Snowshoe on October 6-7.

Fall Retreat: There was discussion about the Fall Retreat. Items for the agenda will include a tour of the School, Levy Discussion, Personnel, and Review of Model Superintendent’s Evaluation Form.

Levy Call: Mr. Lambert told the Board Members that Rick Hicks from Tucker County will be at the October 18th Board Meeting. Ron Whetzel from Hardy County is scheduled to be at the Fall Retreat on October 28th. In preparation for the retreat each member is to think about when to have a levy, the purpose for the levy, the term of the levy and how many dollars. Mr. Lambert told the Board Members that he had talked to Mr. Vogel and he has expressed interest in the proposal.

Conference/Meeting Update: Mr. Lambert told the Board Members that the Hardy County bus is now being parked in Hardy County. Mr. Lambert will be attending a 4- county 2-state meeting in Highland County on Tuesday, October 3rd. He reported that the First Responder Class is going well. A French Class is being proposed but the general consensus is that a French Class will not be beneficial to Pendleton County. Mr. Lambert will be in Zanesville, Ohio with Vickie Skavenski for a WV Access Center for Higher Education Grant on October 6-7 and he will be at the State Superintendent’s Meeting in Glade Springs on October 11-13.

Review Model Superintendent’s Evaluation Form: Mr. Lambert reminded the Board Members that any changes to the model superintendent’s evaluation form need to be made by December 31st. The evaluation form will be reviewed at the Board Retreat.

The next meeting of the Pendleton County Board of Education will be held on Wednesday, October 18, 2006, at Franklin Elementary School at 6:00 P.M. Upon a motion by Mr. Cassell, seconded by Mr. Gillespie, the Board Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

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