

**PENDLETON COUNTY SCHOOLS  
FIFTEENTH COUNTY BOARD MEETING  
TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2012**

The Pendleton County Board of Education convened in Regular Session on Tuesday, March 6, 2012, at the Franklin Elementary School. The following members were present: J. D. Wilkins- President, Richard Gillespie- Vice-President, Teresa Heavner, Betty Kimble, and Sonny O'Neil. Central Office Staff present: Douglas Lambert, Superintendent, J. P. Mowery, Charles Hedrick, and Nancy Blankenship. Also present: Robbie Sites, Becky McConnell, Dr. Jack Bowers, John Jenkins, Rick Linaburg, Lincoln Propst.

At 5:30 P.M. the Board Members and Central Office Administrative Staff were served a meal prepared by the Franklin Elementary School staff.

**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.

Mr. Lambert and the Board Members recognized seventeen students for achieving Distinguished Status on the WESTEST for 2010-2011. Mr. Wilkins presented a plaque to the Mr. Linaburg and the Franklin Elementary School Staff recognizing them for achieving Full Accreditation Status for the 2010-2011 School Year.

The Board met with the Franklin Elementary School LSIC/Faculty Senate/PTO until 7:20 P.M.

Student Expulsion Hearing #1 - (Student #2011/2012-2): The parents of Student #2011/2012-2 requested a closed session. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. 'Neil seconded by Ms. Heavner the Board voted unanimously to go into Executive Session at 7:55 P.M. The Board returned to regular session at 8:05 P.M. with no action taken. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. Gillespie seconded by Mr. O'Neil the Board voted unanimously to suspend Student #2011-2012-2 for one year (365 days) according to WV State Code 6-9A-4 effective March 7, 2012.

Student Expulsion Hearing #2 - (Student #2011/2012-3): The parent of Student #2011/2012-3 was not present for the hearing. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Kimble seconded by Mr. O'Neil the Board voted unanimously to go into Executive Session at 8:15 P.M. The Board returned to regular session at 8:20 P.M. with no action taken. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. Gillespie seconded by Ms. Kimble the Board voted unanimously to suspend Student #2011-2012-3 for one year (365 days) according to WV State Code 6-9A-4 effective March 7, 2012.

**Presentations:**

**Pendleton County Library Funding - Becky McConnell:** Becky McConnell and Dr. Jack Bowers, Library Board Member were present from the Pendleton County Library. They showed things that the library is doing as an extension of the library. New services provided include adult literacy meeting place, two book clubs, e-books (15 registered patrons). Dolly Parton Imagination Library - 263 children out of 440 are registered. Libri Foundation Grant - received 63 books and 20 math and science books. \$1500 grant + 350 grant for math books. Workforce WV to enhance services for jobs - received four new computers, fax scanner, copier, skype capability. The Internet at the Library 511-2008, 1505-2009, 3602-2011. Bookcount for 2011-66,054. Did a snapshot of A Day At Our Library. Summer Reading - 245 kids enrolled for this program during the summer. Kids Reading Passport - went to Russia, Pakistan, Egypt, Brazil, Australia, Japan. This summer reading 2012 - "Dream Big, READ!" Challenges: Funding - 25 year old building poorly insulated, needs new roof and landscaping overhaul. Dr. Bowers told the Board that the Library appreciated the Board's support.

**Public Comment:** There was no public comment.

**Consent Agenda Items:**

**The minutes of the February 21, 2012 Board Meeting/Executive Session:** Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Heavner, seconded by Ms. Kimble the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the above Board Meeting.

**Personnel:**

**Approval of Probationary Contract Personnel:** Professional: Pamela Bailey, Christopher Falbo, Rachel Nauman, Richard Harper, Kimberly McPherson, Derek Lambert, Lori Moore, Shirley Nagle, Sarah Payne, Krystal Price, Matthew Vance, Samantha Vitale, Richard Wolf, Brian Youngblood. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. O'Neil seconded by Ms. Bowers the Board voted unanimously to approve the above probationary contract personnel. Service: April DePue, Robin Rexrode, Calvin Bailey, Jason Bowers, Jimmy Waybright, Jill Huffman. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Kimble seconded by Mr. Gillespie the Board voted unanimously to approve the above probationary contract personnel. Ms. Heavner abstained from the vote.

**Non-Approval of Probationary Contract Personnel:** Professional: Jennifer Anderson, Jean Schelb, Heidi Kimble, Cassie Boner. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. Gillespie seconded by Ms. Kimble the Board voted unanimously to non-approve the above probationary contract personnel due to being RIF'd. Ms. Heavner abstained from the vote.

**Approval of Continuing Contract Personnel:** Professional: Julie Barb, Deona "Emmy" Champ, Natasha Fields, Rebecca Heavner, Michael Vargo, Lance Moran, Timothy Woodward, Sean Rice. Service: Tina Eye, Sam Harper. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Kimble seconded by Ms. Heavner the Board voted unanimously to approve the above continuing contract personnel.

**Approval of Volunteers/Chaperones: PCM/HS:** Rose McFarlane Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. Gillespie seconded by Ms. Heavner the Board voted unanimously to approve the above volunteers/chaperones.

**Contracts:** This item was moved to the end of the meeting. See 9b.

**Finance:**

**Bills Submitted for Approval Month Ended February 29, 2012:** Mr. Mowery presented the bills for approval for the month ended February 29, 2012, in the amount of \$500,731.29. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. O'Neil seconded by Ms. Heavner the Board voted unanimously to approve the Bills as presented.

**Treasurer's Report Month Ended February 29, 2012:** Mr. Mowery gave a Treasurer's Report for the month ended February 29, 2012, and explained the receipts, disbursements, fund balance, accounts payable and cash and investment amounts. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. Gillespie seconded by Ms. Kimble the Board voted unanimously to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented.

**FY 2012-2013 Preliminary Budget:** Mr. Mowery told the Board that he is still working on the Preliminary Budget and there will be more discussion at a future meeting. **Financial Update:** Mr. Mowery gave the Board Members information on OPEB and he gave them charts showing 2009-2012 Utility Costs for Electric, Fuel Oil, Propane, Trash/Waste, and Water/Sewer.

**Old Business:**

**FES Building Project Funding:** Mr. Lambert and Mr. Mowery were in Charleston last week. They have been in contact with SBA and Mike Pickens. They gave the Board Members information about funding sources. There was discussion about a bond levy.

**Communications:** There was no new information. Mr. Gillespie is working with a consultant from Indiana on frequency.

**New Business:**

**Elementary Basketball:** Mr. Jenkins, Mr. Linaburg, Mr. Propst and Robbie Sites were present to discuss Elementary Basketball. Robbie said he was very proud of the High School Girls Basketball Team. He talked about the kids not being taught fundamentals. Mr. Sites would like to see a committee formed to dissect the current program, evaluate possibilities to have expanded season or basketball tournament or two with neighboring counties. Mr. Propst went over some goals of the elementary athletic program, what team sports should look like at the elementary level, problems with tournaments. Mr. Linaburg talked about the basketball program at FES and his philosophy on sports and his difficulties with having multiple teams at his school, differences in what kids do after school now than years ago. He said there needs to be a look at logistics and a lot of thought and input given before there are any changes made in the elementary athletic program. Mr. Jenkins also spoke about not being in favor of tournaments or adding more games, the difficulties with the elementary basketball program, coming up with games/schedules and elementary students and homework. Obviously there are lots of challenges with the elementary basketball program. Mr. Wilkins suggested appointing a committee and coming back and looking at the program. Mr. Lambert talked about his experiences with coaching, his concerns about the program. Mr. Lambert will be in contact with Matt Sites, Mike Wagoner, Robbie Sites and Mr. Linaburg as Principal representative.

**Athletic Building PCM/HS:** Mr. Gillespie talked to Mr. Woodward. There is no new information at this time.

**Out-of-County Transfer Request:** Mr. Lambert presented a request from Jackie and Kevin Black for their daughter, Jordan Black to attend Pre-K in Grant County for the 2012-2013 school year. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. O'Neil seconded by Ms. Kimble the Board voted unanimously to approve the out-of-county transfer request.

**Other:**

**Potential Calendar Revisions:** Mr. Lambert talked about calendar changes. The April 20 CD Day will be moved to June 4.

**Conference/Meeting Update:** Mr. Lambert will be in Charleston on March 8/9. Upon a motion by Ms. Heavner seconded by Ms. Kimble the Board voted unanimously to go into Executive Session at 10:25 P.M. to discuss personnel according to WV State Code 6-9A-4B-2a to discuss personnel. The Board returned to regular session at 10:40 P.M. with no action taken.

**The next meeting of the Pendleton County Board of Education will be held on Tuesday, March 20, 2012, at the Pendleton County Board of Education Annex at 6:00 P.M. Upon a motion by Ms. Kimble seconded by Ms. Heavner the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 P.M.**