PENDLETON COUNTY SCHOOLS SEVENTH COUNTY BOARD MEETING MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2019 SPECIAL SESSION

The Pendleton County Board of Education convened in Special Session on Monday, September 23, 2019 at the Franklin Elementary School beginning at 7:30 p.m. The following members were present: J.D. Wilkins - President, Charles Burgoyne, Teresa Heavner, Betty Kimble and Sonny O'Neil. Central Office staff in attendance were: Charles Hedrick, Superintendent, and Lisa Jamison. Others in attendance were: Lori Hull, Principal, PCMHS, parents and student #2019-2020-1.

Call to Order by the President

President Wilkins called the Board meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

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

Student Hearing:

Student #2019-2020-1

The Board convened in Special Session at 7:30 p.m. to conduct student expulsion hearing according to WV State Code 6-9A-4b-3. Parents and student #2019-2020-1 were in attendance.

At 7:30 p.m., the Student Hearing convened. Mr. Wilkins explained the rules of the hearing and the options for open or closed session. The student requested that the Session be closed. The Board entered closed session at 7:31 p.m.

Ms. Lori Hull, Principal at PCMHS, gave testimony and a summary of student #2019-2020-1's discipline records, attendance records, and transcripts and statements from the student and other witnesses. Ms. Hull recommended student be expelled for one year (365 days), according to WV Code 18A-5-1A. The Board and parents asked questions of Ms. Hull.

Upon a recommendation by Mr. Hedrick and a motion by Mr. O'Neil, seconded by Ms. Heavner, the Board voted unanimously to go into Executive session at 7:54 p.m. based on according to WV State Code 6-9A-4b-3.

Upon a recommendation by Mr. Hedrick and a motion by Mr. Burgoyne, seconded by Ms. Kimble, the Board returned to regular session at 8:06 p.m. with no action taken.

Upon a recommendation by Mr. Hedrick and a motion by Mr. Burgoyne, seconded by Mr. O'Neil, the Board voted unanimously, to suspend Student #2019-2020-1 for one year (365 days) according to WV State Code 6-9A-4b-3 effective September 23, 2019. The student will receive homebound instruction to continue their education. The student will not be allowed on school grounds or to attend any school functions during the suspension.

Upon a motion by Ms. Heavner, seconded by Mr. Burgoyne, the special meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.