

**PENDLETON COUNTY SCHOOLS
FIFTEENTH COUNTY BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2017**

The Pendleton County Board of Education convened in Regular Session on Tuesday, February 21, 2017, at the Pendleton County Middle High School. The following members were present: J.D. Wilkins - President, Richard Gillespie, Teresa Heavner, Sonny O'Neil and Betty Kimble. Central Office Staff present: Charles Hedrick, Superintendent, J. P. Mowery, Nicole Hevener, Rick Linaburg and Lisa Jamison. Others in attendance were: Terri McCoy, Lori Hull, Tim Johnson and other PCMHS Staff members, parents and students.

At 5:30 p.m., the Board Members and Central Office staff enjoyed a meal prepared and served by the Janice Heavner and her Foods class, the FCCLA, Ron Hudson and the FFA. After dinner the Board, PCMHS staff, parents and students met in the auditorium for a student award presentation.

Ms. Hull welcomed the Board, students and parents to the meeting. She praised the students for their achievements and the parents for their support and participation in their student's education. Ms. Hull, Mr. Johnson and Mr. Hedrick presented Award Certificates to all the PCMHS students who excelled in the WV Summative Assessment tests in the 2015-2016 School year. Two hundred eighteen students were recognized for their skills in ELA, Math and Science.

Ms. Hull then made a presentation to the Board on behalf of the school and the LSIC. She shared recent recognition that the school received for achieving the state school rating of an "A", as well as having a graduation rate over 90%. She shared proficiency performance levels and improvements made over the last year in state testing standards.

Ms. Hull announced the school's selection for Service Personnel and Teacher of the Year. She discussed the results of the recent LSIC Satisfaction Survey that was completed by parents, noting the positive influences mentioned as well as parent recommendations from the survey.

Ms. Hull reviewed the 2016-17 Strategic Plan and explained how the school has addressed recommendations received from the OEPA audit. She discussed how IPI has helped them increase student engagement, and their plans on how they plan to sustain positive growth, which included continued support from the Alternative Education Program and Career Counselor.

Ms. Hull shared future school goals, which included recruiting and providing incentives to experienced teachers, a cooling system in the gym and updated athletic facilities. She shared the status of their progress on past goals and recent student achievements. She thanked the Board for their support.

Call to Order by the President

President Wilkins called the Board meeting to order at 7:05 P.M.

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

Public Comment There was no public comment.

Student Recognition There was no additional student recognitions.

Consent Agenda Items:

Minutes of the February 7, 2016 Board Meeting/Executive Session

Upon a recommendation by Mr. Hedrick 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:

Resignations/Retirements:

Patty Sickler – Teacher – BES – Retirement

Upon a recommendation by Mr. Hedrick and a motion by Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Ms. Kimble, the Board voted unanimously to approve the above retirement/resignations with

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Employment of Personnel:

Micah Bailey Health/PE Teacher – PCMHS

Amanda Rader Itinerant ELL Teacher

TBD Math Interventionist (9– 12) PCMHS

Robert (Bobby) Keesecker Substitute Bus Drivers

TBD Long-Term Substitute Teachers

TBD Short-Term Substitute Teachers

TBD Itinerant Special Education

Paula O’Neil and Heather Porcella Substitute Instructional Aide

TBD Substitute Nurse/Supervisory Aide

Anthony Kirby/Alternate Certification Science Teacher (9-12) PCMHS

Harry Michael Eye (pending processing) Substitute Contract Bus Drivers

Upon a recommendation by Mr. Hedrick and a motion by Ms. Kimble, seconded by Ms. Heavner, the board voted unanimously to approve the employment of Paula O’Neil. Mr. O’Neil left the room due to conflict of interest and did not vote.

Upon a recommendation by Mr. Hedrick and a motion by Ms. Kimble, seconded by Mr. Gillespie, the Board voted unanimously to approve the employment of the remaining personnel.

Contracted Services

Ms. Nicole Hevener requested permission to post for contracted nursing services to provide additional health services needed at BES.

Upon a recommendation by Mr. Hedrick and a motion by Ms. Kimble, seconded by Ms. Heavner, the Board voted unanimously to approve the posting of contracted services as presented.

Approval of Volunteers/Chaperones:

BES - None

FES Chaperones - Lowell Wayne Hedrick

NFES Chaperones - Breanna Hedrick

PMCHS Chaperones - SharAla McKinney

Upon a recommendation by Mr. Hedrick and a motion by Mr. O’Neil, seconded by Ms. Kimble, the Board voted unanimously to approve the above volunteers and chaperones for countywide use.

Leave of Absence

Jimmie Bennett

Calvin Bailey

Upon a recommendation by Mr. Hedrick and a motion by Ms. Kimble, seconded by Ms. Heavner, the Board voted unanimously to approve the leave requested by the above personnel.

Finance:

Budget Revisions

Mr. Mowery presented the following Budget Revisions to the Board for approval: #115 - \$66,250, #116 - \$1,241.79, #117 - \$5,950, #118 - \$265. Total Revisions: \$73,706.79

Upon a recommendation by Mr. Hedrick and a motion by Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Mr. O’Neil, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Budget Revisions as presented.

Financial Update

Mr. Mowery updated the Board on the following financial items: 2nd Month Enrollment and statewide comparisons, Student Funding ratios, Flexible Funding bill, and Student

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Meal Participation.

Mr. Hedrick praised Mr. Mowery for his work in drafting the Flexible Funding bill. He also informed the Board of who he and Mr. Mowery had met with within the legislature, state department and state superintendents concerning support and passage of the bill.

Lease Purchase Refinancing

Mr. Mowery is waiting for a new proposal for the Lease Purchase Refinancing agreement. There was nothing yet for approval.

Old Business:

Facilities

Mr. Linaburg updated the Board on the following Facilities information: Information obtained on Sewer backup concerns at Franklin Elementary School, and a recent water bill, that uncovered a leak at the greenhouse and the resolution that made with the town in regard to the bill.

Navy Base There was no new information to discuss.

New Business:

MIP Grant Submission Approval

Mr. Linaburg presented the MIP Grant Submission packet to the Board for approval. Upon a recommendation by Mr. Hedrick and a motion by Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Mr. O'Neil, the Board voted unanimously to approve the MIP Grant Submission with corrections presented.

Calendar Approval

Ms. Heavner presented the selected Tri-County Calendar for the 2017-2018 school year to the Board for approval.

Upon a recommendation by Mr. Hedrick and a motion by Ms. Heavner, seconded by Ms. Kimble, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Tri-County Calendar as presented.

Other:

WV Teacher Shortage

Mr. Hedrick shared two recent WV Metro New Articles concerning the Teacher Shortage in WV as well as a Teacher Vacancy Crisis in WV. He also shared average teacher salaries in surrounding states that may indicate why it is difficult to recruit teachers in our state.

Make Up Days

Mr. Hedrick discussed the current plans with the Board concerning make-up days for the inclement weather days missed up to this point in the current school year. Plans are to add April 20 and April 21, 2017 back to the calendar, working backwards from that date if other inclement weather days are needed.

Sixth Month Attendance

Mr. Linaburg presented the Sixth Month Attendance Report to the Board for Review.

Teacher/Service of the Year

Ms. Teresa Heavner discussed plans with the Board to honor the county Teacher/Service personnel of the year for all locations. She asked for input concerning holding the awards ceremony. The Board decided to add it to the annual retirement dinner award ceremony on June 6, 2017.

Conference/Meeting Update.

Mr. Hedrick has no upcoming conferences before the next meeting.

The next regular meeting of the Pendleton County Board of Education will be held on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at the Franklin Elementary School at 6:00 P.M.

Upon a motion by Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Mr. O'Neil, the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.