

PERRY PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES – MARCH 12, 2012

7:00 PM – BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM

ITEM 1 Call to Order
Meeting called to order at 7:13 PM by President Charles Scovill.

ITEM 2 Roll Call
Members present by roll call: Charles Scovill, Tom Sego, Greg Daenzer, Deb Bishop, Jack Kelly, Mark Ruzinsky

Members absent by roll call: Tracey Hammond

Approval of Agenda
Moved by Mr. Sego, supported by Mr. Kelly, to remove Item 7A, add Item 4K, and to create a set time of adjournment for 9:00 PM. Motion carried 6-0.

ITEM 3 Public comments on agenda items
No public comments were made regarding the agenda.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

No presentations were made at this meeting.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- ITEM 4 Building & Grounds/Policy
- A. Anti-Bullying Policy – First reading
 - C. Reduction and Recall of Teachers Policy – First reading
 - D. Teacher Discipline Policy – First reading
 - E. Teacher Placement Policy – First reading
Moved by Mr. Sego, supported by Mr. Daenzer, to pass move the Anti-Bullying policy, Reduction and Recall of Teachers policy, Teacher Discipline policy, and Teacher Placement policy to second reading. Motion carried 6-0.
 - B. Policies 2110 and 2130 interpretation
At the request of members of the board, Mr. Scovill will confer with legal counsel and report back.
 - F. Annual Organization Meeting Policy 1300 change
 - G. Policy 1320-R – Agenda for the Organizational meeting – First reading
Moved by Mr. Sego, supported by Mr. Kelly, to move the Annual Organization meeting policy 1300 and Policy 1320-R – Agenda for the Organizational meeting to second reading. Motion carried 6-0.
 - H. Policy 1110 – Communication with the Public
Discussion was held, including the possibility of televising future board meetings.
 - I. Policy 1180-R – Board Committees – First reading
Moved by Mr. Sego, supported by Mr. Ruzinsky, to have the first sentence of the policy to read “The organizational meeting of the Board shall be held in conjunction with the first meeting of the calendar year.” and move policy to second reading. Motion carried 6-0.

- J. Bond Project Update
Mr. Lockwood gave the board an update on the Bond Project.
- K. Upcoming Election – Policy 1030
Mr. Lockwood informed the board that the Thrun Law Firm will present elections options to the board at a future meeting.

(The board agreed to move Item 9 to this place in the agenda.)

- ITEM 9 Technology
- A. Update from Jesse Hagensen
Mr. Hagensen gave an update on the Internet filtering.
 - B. Recommendation for laptop purchases with bond funds
Moved by Dr. Bishop, supported by Mr. Ruzinsky, to suspend rules and allow the Board of Education to take action on this item. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved by Dr. Bishop, supported by Mr. Kelly, to approve the purchase of laptop computers and mobile carts. Motion carried 6-0.

- ITEM 5 Curriculum Council
- A. Middle School and Perry Elementary grade levels redesign update
Mr. Lockwood announced that progress is being made towards this effort and that Mr. Chapman and Mr. Judd will be at the next Committee of the Whole meeting to discuss the complete redesign plan of the buildings. Staff and parents have been notified that changes will occur.
 - B. Teachers professional development update
Mr. Lockwood reported that the curriculum council supports the professional development plan which is in place for teachers to participate in learning community type professional development later this school year.

- ITEM 6 Finance/Personnel
- A. Financial evaluation of preschool programs
Mr. Lockwood provided with board with a written report and will bring more information to the board at our next meeting.
 - B. Financial evaluation of Perry-Morrice Adult & Alternative Education Consortium
Discussion was held regarding this program.
 - C. Designation of board representatives for PEA negotiations
Mr. Sego, Mr. Daenzer and Mr. Ruzinsky volunteered to service as board representatives on the negotiation team. Mr. Scovill agreed to appoint these volunteers to represent the board of education on this committee.

- ITEM 7 Public Relations/School Improvement
- A. Marketing plan
This item was removed from the agenda and will be placed on a future agenda when more information becomes available.

- ITEM 8 Legislative
- A. There was no report due to the approved set time to adjourn.

- ITEM 9 Technology – These items were discussed after Item 4

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mary Jane Warren stated that she feels Deb Bishop is being a voice of reason on the board. She asked that the board treat each other with respect. She feels that recording the meetings would be good and thanked the board for passing the motion to purchase laptops and mobile carts.

Susan Alleman thanked the Scovill family for having the Great Start Readiness Program students visit the Scovill Farm.

BOARD COMMENTS

Deb Bishop thanked Mary Jane Warren for the compliment. She also stated that her comments tonight regarding the naming of the superintendent were not directed at the superintendent. She needs to make sure the board is conducting business properly.

Tom Segó apologized to the board and to Jim Lockwood. He only wants what is best for kids.

Jack Kelly reaffirmed his support for the board's decision to select Mr. Lockwood as district Superintendent for the 2012-13 school year. He also announced that there was a nice article about the elementary archery class in the Argus Press and that he was impressed with the recent mailing that Mr. Lockwood sent to parents regarding the state of the district.

Greg Daenzer congratulated the girls and boys basketball teams for a great season. Both teams played for district titles.

Charles Scovill congratulated Tom Segó for achieving the Master Board Member Award from the Michigan Association of School Boards.

FUTURE BUSINESS

Regular Board Meeting

Monday, March 26, 2012
7:00 PM – Board Room
Administration Building

Committee of the Whole Board Meeting

Monday, April 9, 2012
7:00 PM – Board Room
Administration Building

Moved by Mr. Segó, supported by Mr. Daenzer, to recess for ten minutes before the Executive Session. Motion carried 6-0.

ITEM 10 Executive Session

Moved by Mr. Ruzinsky, supported by Mr. Segó, to return to open session from recess and go into closed session for the purpose of PEA negotiations and superintendent evaluation. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved by Mr. Kelly, supported by Mr. Daenzer, to return to open session. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved by Mr. Segó, supported by Mr. Daenzer, to adjourn meeting. Motion carried 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Scovill, Board President

Pam Ryan
Recording Secretary