

PERRY PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES – JANUARY 9, 2012

7:00 PM – BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM

- ITEM 1 Call to Order
Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by President Charles Scovill.
- ITEM 2 Roll Call
Members present by roll call: Charles Scovill, Tom Sego, Tracey Hammond, Greg Daenzer, Deb Bishop, Jack Kelly, Mark Ruzinsky
- ITEM 3 Public comments on agenda items
There were no public comments at this meeting.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- ITEM 4 Building & Grounds/Policy
- A. Jim Lockwood gave a final report on Corcoran Center. The district will see an approximate savings of \$7,700 in this year vs. last year as the building is no longer in use and used for storage.
 - B. The middle school cafeteria was insulated during Christmas break. A number of staff have commented on the increased warmth in the room.
 - C. Jim Lockwood gave an update on the bond project expenditures. The next project is scheduled for Perry East Elementary and includes 24 vertical vents, two boiler replacements and one large water heater replacement.
 - D. Policy 5235 Nepotism – The Board discussed this policy and feels that the District would not be in violation of this policy should family members be hired that do not report directly to an administrator/supervisor in the same family.
 - E. Renaming of Transportation Building in honor of Richard Lewis. This item will be added as an action item at the next Regular Board meeting.
- ITEM 5 Curriculum Council
- A. The Spanish proposal that would approve eighth grade students to earn one credit of high school foreign language, providing the students successfully completes the course and end-of-year test, will be an action item at the next Regular Board meeting.
 - B. The Board was given information that three high school students have petitioned the District to “graduate” after Trimester 2.
- ITEM 6 Finance/Personnel
- A. The District received an email offer to purchase the Winnebago for \$4,500. The Board directed Mr. Lockwood to take care of it as per the board’s previous direction to administration on the item.
 - B. Mr. Lockwood presented a health care contribution resolution. After a brief discussion, the Board agreed that this item will be added as an action item at the next Regular Board meeting.
 - C. The District has been in contact with Alternative Revenue Development regarding the company selling ads to vendors that would appear on our website. After considerable discussion, the Board decided not to pursue this offer at this time.
 - D. The hiring recommendation regarding the Varsity Assistant Wrestling Coach will be an action item at the next Board meeting.
 - E. The eight buses the District is leasing need to be inspected by the State Police before they can be delivered to the District. Due to the holidays, this process is slightly behind schedule.

- F. Mr. Lockwood gave his recommendations for eliminating the deficit budget the District will face in the spring. Mr. Lockwood is open to all suggestions from the community and staff. This will be an action item at the next Board meeting.

ITEM 7 Public Relations/School Improvement

- A. Mrs. Hammond stated that the *Headlight* was published in the Independent over Christmas Break. She also commended Jordan Jennings, Kaitlynn Rathbun and Danielle Gerlach, the high school students who were co-editors of the newsletter.

ITEM 8 Legislative

- A. There was no news from the Legislature to report.

ITEM 9 Technology

- A. The 40 Kindles have arrived and the Technology Department is busy getting the devices ready for middle school students. The District is also troubleshooting the lighting issues in the high school auditorium.

OTHER ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Mr. Ruzinsky asked why a building administrator has spent a majority of the building budget to date. Mr. Lockwood responded that administrators/supervisors may spend their budget at whatever pace they choose, so long as they stay within their overall budget.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Susan Alleman thanked Mrs. Hammond for her work on the *Headlight* and asked if copies were available.

FUTURE BUSINESS

Regular Board Meeting

Monday, January 23, 2012
7:00 PM – Board Room
Administration Building

Committee of the Whole Board Meeting

Monday, February 13, 2012
7:00 PM – Board Room
Administration Building

Moved by Mr. Sego, supported by Dr. Bishop, to adjourn at 8:55 PM. Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracey C. Hammond, Board Secretary

Pam Ryan
Recording Secretary