

PELLSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Minutes

**Regular Board of Education Meeting
Board of Education Conference Room
7:00 p.m.**

Monday, December 12, 2022

A Regular meeting of the Board of Education of Pellston Public Schools was held in the Gerald E. Mallory Board of Education Conference Room on Monday, December 12, 2022. Members present: Jim Milbrandt, Rob Thomson, Mark Zink, Kristen Bauer-Frye, Stephanie Bromley and Serenity Dankert. Members absent: Bryan Searles.

President Milbrandt called the regular meeting to order at 7:00pm.

The *Pledge of Allegiance* and a moment of reflection were led by Kristen Bauer-Frye.

Information/Presentations

Spotlight Presentation – Mrs. Shari Saddison: Family Literacy Night

Athletic Report – Nick Mesnard (Report Enclosed)

Transportation Report – Lee Minzey (Report Enclosed)

Food Service Report – Stephen Seelye (Report Enclosed)

Elementary Report – Mrs. VanAntwerp and Mr. Seelye provided a written report to the Board. Report on file.

MS/HS Principal Report – Mr. Schlappi provided a written report to the Board. Report on file.

Administrator Highlights

Public Commentary

Correspondence

Old Business

New Business

School Index Scores – Mr. Seelye shared with the Board of Education how each building performed academically in comparison to previous years. No action was requested at this time.

New Stage Purchase – Mr. Seelye presented details (including a picture) of the stage he would like to purchase for the district. Total cost is \$12,912.25 and would be made with REM funds. Motion by Serenity Dankert and supported by Mark Zink to approve the purchase of a new stage in the amount

of \$12, 912.25 using Regional Enhancement Mileage funds. Motion carried 6-0.

Stage Floor Refinishing Projects – Mr. Seelye updated the Board of Education on the progress of the elementary stage floor. The company has been great to work with and they have already completed the sanding prep work in the elementary. Due to the very strong smell of the coating they need to apply, they will apply one coat for the next 3 Friday afternoons so the building can air out over the weekend. The MS/HS stage is an area of concern. The current floor is made of fir which is a very soft wood. This company can refinish it but it will continue to dent and scratch with use. He is working on a quote for the installation of a new floor. No action was requested at this time to allow adequate time to research other types of surfaces.

Substance Abuse Policy – The district’s Substance Abuse Policy was discussed last year and in his new role, Mr. Schlappi has brought it up again. He wants to discuss potential revisions to the current Substance Abuse Policy. Action: Research and recommendations will be brought to the Athletic Committee.

Dr. Mark Sloan Trauma Project – This Trauma Project was originally awarded \$32,000 in grant funding by the Board of Education in November. Mr. Seelye shared with the Board of Education just how powerful and greatly needed this project is for our students. With that in mind, Mr. Seelye would like to spend the remaining available grant funding to bring Dr. Mark Sloan to Pellston on more dates. No action is requested at this time as Mr. Seelye awaits Dr. Mark Sloan’s new proposal.

Electric School Bus Purchase – Mr. Seelye updated the Board of Education on the status of the new electric school buses. The charging stations are here and will be installed next week. Buses are done and ready to be delivered. We’re just waiting on a date from the Governor. No action was requested at this time.

Approval of Consent Agenda Items

Motion by Serenity Dankert, supported by Stephanie Bromley, “that the Consent Agenda Items for the December 12, 2022 meeting of the Board of Education be adopted, as presented.” The motion carried 6-0.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion: “that the Board of Education approve the regular meeting minutes of the November 14, 2022 Board Meeting”.

Payment of the Bills

Motion: “that the Board of Education, pay Gross Payrolls for November 18, 2022 and December 2, 2022; Benefits and Utilities and ACH transfers for the month of November 2022.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education of Pellston Public Schools pay all fund bills paid by checks as listed in the enclosed board packet totaling: \$683,631.29.”

Business and Finance Items

Motion: “that the Board of Education, approve the spending listed above, as presented by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Personnel Items

Adjournment

It was motioned by Mark Zink and supported by Serenity Dankert to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 PM. The motion carried 6-0. The meeting adjourned.