

# PELLSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## Minutes

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

**Monday, July 11, 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, July 11, 2022. Members present: Jim Milbrandt, Rob Thomson, Kristen Bauer-Frye, Mark Zink, Bryan Searles. Members absent: Stephanie Bromley and Serenity Dankert.

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

The *Pledge of Allegiance* and a moment of reflection were led by Bryan Searles.

### **Information/Presentations**

Spotlight Presentation – Mrs. Shari Saddison – Grant Presentation

Athletic Report – Chris Schlappi (Report Enclosed)

Transportation Report – Lee Minzey (Report Enclosed)

Food Service Report – Sherry Sedore (Report Enclosed)

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

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

### **Administrator Highlights**

### **Public Commentary**

### **Correspondence**

### **Old Business**

### **New Business**

2022-2023 Master Schedule – Mrs. Jen Dilworth presented the 2022-2023 Middle/High School Master Schedule to the Board of Education. It was motioned by Rob Thomson and supported by Kristen Bauer-Frye to approve the 2022-2023 Middle/High School Master Schedule. The motion carried 5-0.

Valedictorian/Salutatorian Requirements – Mr. Enos Bacon presented a recommendation to the Board of Education to review and revise the requirements for Valedictorian and Salutatorian eligibility. The recommended policy change states: “that a graduate must complete their Junior and Senior year as a full time Pellston Public Schools student in order to be qualified to earn the distinction of Valedictorian or Salutatorian”. It was motioned by Bryan Searles and supported by Kristen Bauer-Frye to approve the new Valedictorian/Salutatorian requirement policy as presented. The motion carried 5-0.

Robotics Purchase – Mr. Stephen Seelye shared a wish list created by Mr. Thomson for the Robotics Team as they prepare to move into their new classroom. Many of the items include technology purchases which can be purchased with sinking millage funds. It was motioned by Mark Zink and supported by Kristen Bauer-Frye to approve technology startup costs for our Robotics program in the amount of \$13,667.00 to successfully transition them into their newly constructed classroom. The motion carried 5-0.

Alanson Cross Country Cooperative Agreement – Mr. Stephen Seelye presented an update regarding our Cross Country Team to the Board of Education. Mrs. Stephanie Vaughn is stepping down as our Cross Country coach because she’s expecting her second child. We have missed the MHSAA deadline to apply for official coop approval this year. Due to low student participation for many years, our runners would be allowed to practice with Alanson and compete as Pellston individuals at meets coached by their coach. No decision is requested at this time.

Concrete Bid Award – Mr. Stephen Seelye held a concrete bid opening meeting on Friday, July 8<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Seelye then met with Mr. Jared Anderson and Mrs. Serenity Dankert to review bids to be presented to the Board of Education. Mr. Seelye’s recommendation is to award the concrete bid to Spierling Trucking & Excavating Inc. It was motioned by Rob Thomson and supported by Kristen Bauer-Frye to award the contract for exterior concrete work to be performed to Spierling Trucking & Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$203,125.00. The motion carried 5-0.

Shared PE/CTE Position – Mr. Stephen Seelye shared with the Board of Education the potential to hire an individual who would teach 2 hours of MS/HS PE in the morning and then would work as a CTE Intervention Specialist for the rest of the day. No action is requested at this time as discussions between Mr. Seelye, Mr. Anderson and the candidate continue.

Alertus School Safety Notification System Presentation – Mr. Stephen Seelye presented to the Board of Education all of the school safety upgrades/services Alertus School Safety Notification Systems is capable of providing to the district. Mr. Seelye is in full support of moving forward with Alertus for school safety improvements throughout the district. No action is requested at this time as these items are listed for approval in the consent agenda this evening.

### **Approval of Consent Agenda Items**

Motion by Mark Zink, supported by Kristen Bauer-Frye, “that the Consent Agenda Items for the July 11, 2022 meeting of the Board of Education be adopted, as presented.” The motion carried 5-0.

### **Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Motion: “that the Board of Education approve the regular meeting minutes of the June 13, 2022 Board Meeting”.

### **Payment of the Bills**

Motion: “that the Board of Education, pay Gross Payrolls for May 20, 2022 and June 3, 2022; Benefits and Utilities and ACH transfers for the month of June 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: \$592,757.06.”

### **Business and Finance Items**

Motion: “that the Board of Education, approve the purchase of additional Weight Room Equipment in the amount of \$5,000.00 using Regional Enhancement Millage funding, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education, approve the purchase of MS/HS Night Lock Door Barricades in the amount of \$16,391.00 using Sinking Millage funding, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education, approve the purchase of Elementary Night Lock Door Barricades in the amount of \$7,796.00 using Sinking Millage funding, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education, approve the purchase of MS/HS Alertus Notification System in the amount of \$23,696.00 using Sinking Millage funding, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education, approve the purchase of Elementary Alertus Notification System in the amount of \$22,514.00 using Sinking Millage funding, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education, approve the purchase of an International School Bus in the amount of \$97,875.00 using Regional Enhancement Millage funding, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education, approve the purchase of new technology in the amount of \$121,965.78 using Sinking Millage funding, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education, approve the purchase of Smart Social in the amount of \$2,000.00 using Sinking Millage funds, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

### **Personnel Items**

Motion: “that the Board of Education, approve the hiring of Miss Cassidy Thayer as the JV Volleyball Coach, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education, approve the hiring of Miss Kathleen Blust as the Girls Varsity Basketball Coach, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education, approve the hiring of Mrs. Kayla Schlappi as a Lead GSRP Preschool Teacher, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education, approve the hiring of Mrs. Ashley Flores as a 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education, approve the hiring of Samantha Sonnenberg as a MS/HS Intervention Specialist, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

**Adjournment**

It was motioned by Mark Zink and supported by Kristen Bauer-Frye to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 PM. The motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned.