

# PELLSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## Minutes

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

**Monday, May 9, 2016**

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, May 9, 2016. Members present: Kristen Bauer-Frye, Jim Milbrandt, Mark Zink, Rob Thomson, Sheila Moran, and Paul Taylor. Jennifer Woods absent.

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

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

### **Information/Presentation(s):**

#### **“Spotlight” Presentation, Matelski/Stempky:**

Mrs. Matelski and some of her kindergarten students presented to the Board their recycled art projects they completed for Earth Day and their author study of Lois Elhert. Mrs. Matelski explained the relationship between their work and Project Based Learning.

Mrs. Stempky and three of her first grade students presented to the Board their small moment stories.

Athletic Report: prepared by Enos Bacon, shared with the Board information regarding activity fees and an update on the gate fees. See report on file.

Transportation Report: prepared by Monique Dean, noted that there has been a minimal amount of repairs for the month. See report on file.

Food Service Report: prepared by Bruce Spsychalski, Mrs. Dean updated the Board with information regarding the cafeteria and the materials being selected for the project. See report on file.

Trust & Agency: prepared by Michelle Ferris (report filed with minutes).

Sports Boosters: Mrs. Dean informed the Board that the Sports Boosters will be lending the concessions area to the Parent Teacher Organization for the carnival.

PTO Report: Mrs. Dean informed the Board of the upcoming events planned by the PTO.

### **Administrator's Highlights**

Tamara Pichla presented information to the Board regarding Kindergarten Round-Up and Kindergarten Kick-Off. She explained possible numbers of enrollment and noted that Kindergarten Kick-Off is a good way for incoming students to get to know their teachers, classmates, and the school. See report on file.

Enos Bacon gave a MS/HS Principal Report. Mr. Bacon gave updated information to the Board regarding the testing that has been taking place throughout the school. He also noted that he has been working with Pam Thompson to develop personal curriculum. Mr. Bacon also thanked Rob Thomson and Mark Zink for their contributions to the senior lock-in. See report on file.

Assistant Principal Tyler Kruzel provided the Board with both attendance, behavioral, and teacher's classroom management information. See report on file.

### **Public Commentary**

#### **Correspondence**

#### **Old Business**

##### **Phone System Upgrade (E911 Requirements)**

Mrs. Dean informed the Board that each classroom needs to be identifiable by 911 if they were to call in an emergency. She explained that she has been working with Tim Beethem to come up with a plan to be compliant, and noted that \$25,000 will be covered through a grant and the remaining \$5,000 will be the school's responsibility.

It was motioned by Sheila Moran and supported by Kristen Bauer-Frye to approve the phone system upgrade. The motion carried 6-0.

#### **New Business**

##### **Jennifer Dilworth Contract Renewal**

It was motioned by Rob Thomson and supported by Mark Zink to approve the contract renewal for Jennifer Dilworth. The motion carried 6-0.

##### **Grant Application with Local Revenue Sharing Board**

Mrs. Dean explained that for the previous two years, Pellston Public Schools has submitted an application to provide after school tutoring for middle school and high school students. The grant is being submitted by Jennifer Crocket.

It was motioned by Paul Taylor and supported by Sheila Moran to approve the grant application with the Local Revenue Sharing Board. The motion carried 6-0.

##### **Notice of Hearing for General Fund Budget for 2016-2017**

Mrs. Dean explained to the Board that on July 1<sup>st</sup>, the new budget will be put into place and that prior to this date, a hearing must take place. Tuesday, June 28<sup>th</sup> was selected as the hearing date. Final amendments to this year's budget and approval of next year's budget will take place on this date.

It was motioned by Sheila Moran and supported by Mark Zink to select Tuesday, June 28<sup>th</sup> as the special meeting date for the hearing for the General Fund Budget of 2016-2017. The motion carried 6-0.

##### **Truth in Taxation, L-4029 for 2016**

Mrs. Dean explained to the Board that in order to collect summer taxes, Truth in Taxation must be approved.

It was motioned by Kristen Bauer-Frye and supported by Sheila Moran to approve Truth in Taxation for 2016. The motion carried 6-0.

#### Char-Em ISD General Fund Budget

Mrs. Dean explained to the Board that Jeff Crouse presented the budget for Char-Em ISD and Pellston Public Schools Board members must either affirm or reject it.

It was motioned by Sheila Moran and supported by Mark Zink to affirm the Char-Em ISD General Fund Budget. The motion carried 6-0.

#### Extension of Probationary Teacher Contracts

The Board acknowledged the extension of the selected probationary teacher contracts.

#### Professional Staff Recommendation

Mrs. Dean explained to the Board Mr. Collin Hewitt's recent role in the middle/high school and commended his work with his students in math and mentoring. Mr. Hewitt explained his interactions with his students and the progress that they have been making. Mr. Bacon and Mrs. Pichla interviewed Mr. Hewitt for the elementary position and recommend him for the job.

It was motioned by Sheila Moran and supported by Kristen Bauer-Frye to approve the probationary contract for Collin Hewitt. The motion carried 6-0.

#### Lunch Pricing Fall 2016

Mrs. Dean explained to the Board Bruce Spychalski's recommendation to raise the lunch prices at the middle/high school by \$0.10 and at the elementary by \$0.15.

It was motioned by Rob Thomson and supported by Kristen Bauer-Frye to approve the increased lunch prices at the middle/high school and elementary school. The motion carried 5-1.

#### Approval of Consent Agenda Items

Motion by Rob Thomson supported by Mark Zink, "that the Consent Agenda Items for the May 9, 2016 meeting of the Board of Education be adopted, as presented." The motion carried 6-0.

Motion: "that the Board of Education approve the April 18, 2016 regularly scheduled meeting minutes."

Motion: "that the Board of Education pay Gross Payrolls for May 13 & 27, 2016; Benefits and Utilities and ACH transfers from May 9, 2016-June 10, 2016."

#### Personnel Items

Letter of Resignation

Motion: "that the Board of Education, acknowledge the letter of resignation from Ben Schley, effective June 20, 2016."

Fall Sport Recommendations

Motion: "that the Board of Education, acknowledge the following coaches for fall 2016 as recommended by the Athletic Director: Varsity Football-Enos Bacon, 7/8 Football-Christopher Schlappi, Varsity Cross Country-Jared Powell, Varsity Volleyball-Brooke Groff, JV Volleyball-Heidi Burkhardt, 8<sup>th</sup> grade Volleyball-Breanna Sisman, 7<sup>th</sup> grade Volleyball-Lisa Stempky."

Mrs. Dean recommended that there not be a middle school cross country program due to low numbers.

#### Curriculum Reports/Assignment

Motion: "that the Board of Education acknowledge the renewal of the Title VII grant for the 2016-2017 school year."

**Upcoming Dates:**

CTE Aviation Open House, Tuesday, May 17, 2016 at the Pellston Regional Airport (5:00-7:00 PM)

District School Improvement Meeting, Tuesday, May 17, 2016 (3:30 PM)

Hall of Fame Dinner, Wednesday, May 18, 2016 (6:00 PM)

Retirement/Service Recognition Party, Monday, May 23, 2016 from 3:30-5:30 PM at Hoppie's Landing at the Pellston

Workshop Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> 7:00 PM

"Graduation 2016", June 5, 2016 at 2:00 PM

Proposed Budget Hearing, Tuesday, June 28, 2016 7:00 PM

**Closed Session**

**Adjournment**

It was motioned by Mark Zink and supported by Kristin Bauer-Frye to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 PM. The motion carried 6-0. The meeting adjourned.