

PELLSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Minutes

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

Monday, April 14, 2025

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, April 14, 2025. Members present: Jim Milbrandt, Rob Thomson, Kristen Bauer-Frye, Serenity Dankert, Bryan Searles, Kim Jutson and Amanda McCafferty. Members Absent:.

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

The *Pledge of Allegiance* and a moment of reflection were led by Rob Thomson.

Information/Presentations

Spotlight Presentation – Pellston Robotics – Ice Bots

Athletic Report – Nick Mesnard (Report Enclosed)

Transportation Report – Lee Minzey (Report Enclosed)

Food Service Report –Mrs. Mariah Heinz (Report Enclosed)

Elementary Report – Mrs. VanAntwerp 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

Marty-Sub

Correspondence

Old Business

New Business

Char-Em ISD Budget Acknowledgment- Mr. Seelye shared the Char-Em ISD 2025-2026 proposed general fund budget with the Board of Education for acknowledgment.

Motion by Serenity Dankert, supported by Bryan Searles, “that Pellston Public Schools Board of Education supports the Char-Em ISD 2025-2026 proposed general fund budget as presented by Mr. Stephen Seelye.” The motion carried 7-0.

Skyward Financial Software- Mr. Jared Anderson presented details to the Board of Education about switching financial software systems. The company currently being used by the district has been bought out and has resulted in the need for this change. Mr. Anderson has been in trainings with Skyward Financial Software and is confident in the decision to move forward with this transition; along with Char-Em ISD. No action was requested at this time.

Roofing Projects Update- Mr. Seelye shared an update with the Board of Education on the Roofing Projects which are currently out for bid. We have a walkthrough scheduled for next week and will open bids on April 30th. Mr. Seelye has been reassured there are several companies interested in our projects and we will have them completed this summer. No action was requested at this time.

Roofing Projects Bid Approval- Mr. Seelye is seeking approval from the Board of Education for roofing project bid negotiations and contract approval.

Motion by Rob Thomson, supported by Kristen Bauer-Frye, “that the Board of Education, give Superintendent, Stephen Seelye approval to enter into contract negotiations and award roofing contract bids after consultation with the Building and Grounds Committee.” The motion carried 7-0.

Approval of Consent Agenda Items

Motion by Bryan Searles, supported by Kristen Bauer-Frye, “that the Consent Agenda Items for the April 14, 2025 meeting of the Board of Education be adopted, as presented.” The motion carried 7-0.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion: “that the Board of Education approve the Regular meeting minutes of the March 10, 2025 Board Meeting”.

Payment of the Bills

Motion: “that the Board of Education, pay Gross Payrolls for March 7, 2025 and March 21, 2025; Benefits and Utilities and ACH transfers for the month of March 2025.”

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: \$847,748.00.”

Business and Finance Items

Motion: “that the Board of Education approve paying support staff during the State of Emergency, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education approve hiring SFA Architects for the district’s roofing projects in the amount of \$9,000.00, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Personnel Items

Adjournment

It was motioned by Serenity Dankert and supported by Bryan Searles to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM. The motion carried 7-0. The meeting adjourned.