

PELLSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Minutes

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

Monday, July 13, 2026

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 13, 2026. Members present: Jim Milbrandt, Rob Thomson, Serenity Dankert, Bryan Searles, Kim Jutson and Amanda McCafferty. Members absent: Kristen Bauer-Frye

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 – S.A.F.E.

Athletic Report – Mr. Kurt Grangood provided a written report to the Board. Report on file.

Transportation Report – Mr. Lee Minzey

Food Service Report – Mrs. Mariah Heinz

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

Correspondence

Old Business

New Business

Village Well and Property – Mr. Seelye led a discussion with the Board of Education regarding the potential ‘land swap’ of property for the village well site. Communication between Mr. Seelye, village council members and the village attorney has been established. No action was requested at this time.

Approval of Consent Agenda Items

Motion by Bryan Searles, supported by Kim Jutson, “that the Consent Agenda Items for the July 13, 2026 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 Truth & Taxation Hearing and Regular meeting minutes of the June 8, 2026 Board Meeting”.

Payment of the Bills

Motion: “that the Board of Education, pay Gross Payrolls for June 12, 2026 and June 26, 2026; Benefits and Utilities and ACH transfers for the month of June 2026.”

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: \$1,088,763.52.”

Business and Finance Items

Motion: “that the Board of Education approve the bid from Julians H.V.A.C/R. for the MS/HS Gym AC in the amount of \$233,500.00, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education approve the bid from Elite Coatings for MS/HS Flooring in the amount of \$52,715.00, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education approve the bid from Reith-Riley Construction Co. Inc. for the Parking Lot project in the amount of \$278,750.00, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education approve the quote from Airlex Air Compressor Systems to purchase an Air Compressor in the amount of \$5,490.00, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education approve the bid from Stage Right for Band Risers in the amount of \$6,500.00, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education approve the quote from Pro Image from the wrapping of the Shooting Sports Trailer in the amount of \$4,821.250, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education approve the bid from Groffma Builders for Press Box Windows in the amount of \$20,979.74, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Personnel Items

Motion: “that the Board of Education approve the Administrative Contracts for the 2026-2027 school year, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education approve the MEA Contract and Calendars, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Closed Session: Support Staff Contract Negotiations

Motion by Serenity Dankert and supported by Bryan Searles: “that the Board of Education, move to closed session at 7:46pm for the purpose of discussing Support Staff contract negotiations, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye, Superintendent.” The motion carried 6-0.

Open Session:

Motion by Serenity Dankert and supported by Kim Jutson: “that the Board of Education, move back into open session at 7:56pm, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye, Superintendent.” The motion carried 6-0.

Adjournment

It was motioned by Kim Jutson and supported by Serenity Dankert to adjourn the meeting at 8:17PM. The motion carried 6-0. The meeting adjourned.