

# PELLSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## Minutes

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

**Monday, May 8, 2023**

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 8, 2023. Members present: Jim Milbrandt, Mark Zink, Kristen Bauer-Frye, Bryan Searles, Stephanie Bromley and Serenity Dankert. Members absent: Rob Thomson.

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 – Chicago Trip Presentation

Athletic Report – Nick Mesnard (Report Enclosed)

Transportation Report – Lee Minzey (Report Enclosed)

Food Service Report –Mrs. Amy Beach (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 Chaney – Book Club

#### **Correspondence**

#### **Old Business**

#### **New Business**

Char-Em ISD Budget Acknowledgment – Mr. Seelye previously shared the Char-Em budget report with our Board of Education members. Tonight, our board has been asked to acknowledge review/receipt of the Char-Em ISD budget. Motion by Bryan Searles, supported by Mark Zink, “that the Board of Education, acknowledges the Char-Em ISD budget as presented.” The motion carried 6-0.

Athletic Trainer Contract –As Mr. Hillger’s Athletic Trainer contract is nearing completion, Mr. Seelye is asking the Board of Education to extend his contract. Motion by Mark Zink, supported by Bryan Searles, “that the Board of Education, approve a continued contract with our Athletic Trainer, Dave Hillger utilizing Regional Enhancement Millage Funding as presented.” The motion carried 6-0.

Sex Education Curriculum –Pellston’s Sex Education Advisory Committee has met multiple times this school year to discuss the district’s curriculum. Mr. Seelye has shared with the Board of Education, curriculum changes the committee has recommended. Motion by Serenity Dankert, supported by Kristen Bauer-Frye, “that the Board of Education, approves the changes to the Pellston Public Schools Sex Education Curriculum as presented and recommended by the advisory board.” The motion carried 6-0.

\*Please note: Changes will not be implemented until the 2023-2024 school year. After this approval there will be a 2-week public input window. Concerns or necessary changes will then be brought back to the board in June.

Summer Football Stadium Projects –Mr. Seelye led a discussion with the Board of Education about some proposed summer projects at the Football Stadium. No action was requested at this time.

Resolution to Call for August 8, 2023 Bond Proposal Election – Mr. Seelye shared with the Board of Education a letter Pellston Public Schools received from Rachael Eubanks, State Treasurer. Ms. Eubanks letter states, “In accordance with Act No. 92 of the Public Acts of 2005, I am hereby authorizing preliminary qualification of the district’s bond issue as described in the application numbered SBL/24-040-4-K12-08-01 dated April 10, 2023 covering the attached ballot proposition.” Motion by Stephanie Bromley, supported by Mark Zink, “that the Board of Education, approved the Resolution to call for an August 8, 2023 Bond Proposal Election.” The motion carried 6-0.

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

Motion by Serenity Dankert, supported by Mark Zink, “that the Consent Agenda Items for the May 8, 2023 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 April 10, 2023 Board Meeting”.

### **Payment of the Bills**

Motion: “that the Board of Education, pay Gross Payrolls for April 7, 2023, April 21, 2023 and May 5, 2023; Benefits and Utilities and ACH transfers for the month of April 2023.”

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: \$687,231.07.”

### **Business and Finance Items**

Motion: “that the Board of Education, approve the purchase of office chairs in the amount of \$8,654.00 using Regional Enhancement Millage funding, as presented by Mr. Stephen

Seelye.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education, award the Audit Firm Bid to Schulze, Oswald, Miller and Edwards PC, as presented by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

### **Personnel Items**

Motion: “that the Board of Education, approve the School Success Contract for Mr. Nick Mesnard utilizing 31a At Risk funding, as presented by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education, approve the hiring of Mrs. Brooke Groff as Varsity Volleyball Coach for the 2023-2024 season, as presented by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education, accept the Letter of Agreement with the PEA for the Special Education Over Caseload Stipend, as presented by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

### **Adjournment**

It was motioned by Mark Zink and supported by Serenity Dankert to adjourn the meeting at 7:52PM. The motion carried 6-0. The meeting adjourned.