

**PENDLETON COUNTY SCHOOLS
ELEVENTH COUNTY BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2011**

The Pendleton County Board of Education convened in Regular Session on Tuesday, January 25, 2011, at the North Fork Elementary School. The following members were present: J. D. Wilkins- President, Richard Gillespie- Vice-President, Teresa Heavner, Sonny O'Neil, Betty Kimble. Central Office Staff present: Douglas Lambert, Superintendent, J. P. Mowery, Charles Hedrick and Nancy R. Blankenship. Also Present – Timothy Woodward, John Jenkins, Mike Weaver.

The Board recognized North Fork Elementary Students and met with the North Fork Elementary School LSIC/Faculty Senate/PTO prior to their regular meeting from 6:15 P.M. to 6:40 P.M.

Call to Order by the President: President Wilkins called the meeting to order at 6:41 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation: Mr. Lambert led the Pledge of Allegiance and Mr. Wilkins led the group in prayer.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Consent Agenda Items:

The minutes of the December 14, 2010, Board Meeting/Executive Session: Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. O'Neil, seconded by Ms. Heavner the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the above Board Meeting.

Personnel Hearings: There were no personnel hearings requested.

Transfer Hearings: There were no transfer hearings requested.

Personnel:

Retirements/Resignations: Delores Jean Landes - Aide FES. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. Gillespie seconded by Ms. Kimble the Board voted unanimously to approve the above retirements/resignations with regret.

Employment of Personnel: Shannon Lambert - Contract Driver pending completion of training. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. O'Neil seconded by Ms. Kimble the Board voted unanimously to approve the employment of the above personnel.

Approval of Volunteers: PCHS: Delores Crider, George Crider, Jr., David Swecker, Garland Propst, Richard Ord, Dale Murphy, Jeff Warner, Jason Moyers, Jack Hedrick, Larry Hoover, Dennis Harr, Jamie Hudson, Galen Warner, Eric Carr, Larry Dove, Darren Daughtry, Bruce Alt. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Kimble seconded by Ms. Heavner the Board voted unanimously to approve the above volunteers.

Approval of Employee Contract Termination: Gena Harper – Due to possible lack of need for an aide at NFES. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Kimble seconded by Ms. Heavner the Board voted unanimously to approve the termination of the above employee contract.

Approval of Employees Placed on Transfer: Anita Warner – Due to possible lack of need for an aide at PCM/HS. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. O'Neil seconded by Mr. Gillespie the Board voted unanimously to approve the above employee transfer.

Upon a motion by Mr. O'Neil seconded by Ms. Kimble the Board voted unanimously to go into Executive Session at 7:21 P.M. according to WV Code 6-9a-4-2a. to discuss personnel issues. The Board returned to regular session at 7:45 P.M. with no action taken.

Finance:

Bills Submitted for Approval Month Ended December 31, 2010: Mr. Mowery presented the bills for approval for the month ended December 31, 2010, in the amount of \$584,287.08. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. O'Neil seconded by Mr. Gillespie the Board voted unanimously to approve the Bills as presented.

Treasurer's Report Month Ended December 31, 2010: Mr. Mowery gave a Treasurer's Report for the month ended December 31, 2010, and explained the receipts, disbursements, fund balance, accounts payable and cash and investment amounts. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Kimble seconded by Ms. Heavner the Board voted unanimously to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented.

Budget Supplements: Mr. Mowery presented the following Budget Supplements for approval: #110-\$1,000.00; #111-\$374.00; #112-\$6,187.50; #113-\$4,387.50; #114-\$11.40; #115-\$27,954.37; #116-\$588.00 - Total: \$40,502.77. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Kimble seconded by Ms. Gillespie the Board voted unanimously to approve the budget supplements as presented.

Section 125 Plan Update/Amendment: Mr. Mowery gave the Board Members a copy of the Flexible Benefit Plan, the required changes and amendments and explained the changes to them. Section 125 has to be amended annually. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Kimble seconded by Ms. Heavner the Board voted unanimously to accept the Section 125 Plan Update/Amendment.

Impact Aid Authorized Representative: Mr. Mowery explained that the Superintendent has to be approved annually as the Impact Aid Authorized Representative. Upon a motion by Ms. Kimble seconded by Ms. Heavner the Board voted unanimously to approve the above appointment.

Financial Update: Mr. Mowery gave the Board Members charts showing the enrollment by county and by school FY99 to FY11. Pendleton County has had a loss of 287 students (21.2%) since FY99. Mr. Mowery showed the Board Members charts on free and reduced percentages by county and by school FY00 to FY11. He showed the Board Members a chart of Temperature Set Points Winter and Summer and Unoccupied Temperature Set Points Winter and Summer for Pendleton County Schools and other schools/locations. Mr. Mowery gave the Board Members a copy of articles from the Highland Recorder regarding education/budget issues in Virginia and neighboring Highland and Bath counties. He also gave the board members information on OPEB, Secure Rural Schools, and Section 6A that he had received from Joe Panetta.

Old Business:

Land: Mr. Gillespie talked about funding/land for Franklin Elementary School and possible future SBA funding.

New Business:

Out-of-County Transfer Requests: Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Ms. Heavner seconded by Mr. O'Neil the Board voted unanimously to approve the out-of-county transfer requests as presented.

State Community Grant: Mr. Lambert provided the Board Members with information regarding the State Community Participation Grant administered by the West Virginia Development Office through Region 8. This grant program provides state grant funds for community and economic development projects throughout West Virginia. Pendleton County Board of Education will apply for grant funds for the purpose of purchasing equipment with Pendleton County Schools providing a 10% match. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. Gillespie seconded by Mr. O'Neil the Board voted unanimously to apply for the State Community Participation Grant with

Pendleton County Schools providing a 10% match.

Other:

Special Olympics Winter Games: Mr. Mike Weaver was present to comment on Special Olympics Program in Pendleton County. Back in late 70's and early 80's Pendleton County Special Olympics was formed and it went on for about 13 years. Mr. Weaver has been trying to get the Pendleton County Special Olympics going again in Pendleton County these past four years and has been conducting county games annually. State special Olympics requires that there be participation in at least one other special Olympic competition to continue eligibility. Mr. Carmaniti, special education teacher at NFES went to obtain certification as a coach. A request was sent to the Board office to obtain permission for Mr. Carmaniti and a student to attend the winter games in Charleston and the request was denied. There was discussion about special Olympics. This topic will be addressed again at another meeting and a policy will be written to address this kind of sports participation.

Fourth Month Attendance: Mr. Hedrick provided the Board Members with a Fourth Month Attendance Report and went over the results.

Annual Accreditation: Mr. Lambert gave the Board Members a copy of the annual accreditation report from the West Virginia Board of Education for Pendleton County Schools. All Pendleton County Schools and the county have full accreditation status.

Graduation: Mr. Lambert gave the Board Members information on the dates for the Pendleton County High School graduation as follows: Baccalaureate - Sunday, May 29, 2011 at 10:00 A.M.; Graduation - Sunday, May 29, 2011 at 6:00 P.M.

WVSBA Winter Conference: The West Virginia School Board Association Winter Conference will be held February 25/26, 2011 at the Marriott in Charleston. Mr. Lambert will attend and Nancy Blankenship will attend the Superintendent's Secretaries session.

Meeting Dates - April and June: There was discussion about the April 12 and June 28 Board Meeting dates. This item will be addressed at the next Board Meeting.

Five Year Plan: There will be a five-year plan meeting on February 11th.

Conference/Meeting Update: Mr. Lambert will be in Charleston January 27/28 with the WVASA Legislative Committee; 2/2-2/4 in Bridgeport; South Branch Meeting on 2/1.

The next regular meeting of the Pendleton County Board of Education will be held on Tuesday, February 8, 2011, at Pendleton County Board of Education Annex at 6:00 P.M. Upon a motion by Ms. Heavner seconded by Ms. Kimble the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 P.M.