

Pendleton County Schools Seventh County Board Meeting Wednesday, October 13, 2010

SPECIAL SESSION

The Pendleton County Board of Education convened in Special Session on Wednesday, October 13, 2010, at the Pendleton County Board of Education Annex. 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, Lance Moran, parent, student.

CALL TO ORDER BY THE PRESIDENT: President Wilkins called the meeting to order at 7:38 P.M.

Due to the persons not showing up for the first meeting, the Board proceeded with the second hearing to allow additional time for the first student and parent to arrive.

EXPULSION HEARINGS:

Expulsion Hearing Student #2010-2011-2: Mr. Wilkins and Mr. Lambert explained the hearing procedure to the parent and gave them the option of an open or closed hearing. The parent opted for an open hearing. The Board heard testimony from Mr. Woodward, Principal Pendleton County Middle/High School. The Board then heard testimony from the parent and student. Upon a motion by Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Ms. Heavner, the Board voted unanimously to go into Executive Session at 7:55 P.M. according to WV Code 6-9a-4-3. At 8:02 the Board returned to regular session with no action taken. Mr. Lambert recommended to the Board that the student #2010-2011-2 be expelled from attending Pendleton County Middle/High School for one year (365 days). Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Ms. Heavner, the Board voted unanimously to approve this recommendation.

Expulsion Hearing Student #2010/2011-1: The parent of the student for the first hearing was contacted by the secretary at Pendleton County Middle/High School to remind her of the expulsion hearing. She did not show up. The student had been sent back to Texas to live with his grandparents. The Board heard testimony from Mr. Woodward, Principal Pendleton County Middle/High School. Mr. Lambert recommended to the Board that Student #2010-2011-1 be expelled from attending Pendleton County Middle/High School for a period of one year (365 days). Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. O'Neil, seconded by Ms. Kimble, the Board voted unanimously to expel Student 2010/2011-1 for one year (365 days).

OPEB LAWSUIT:

There was discussion about the OPEB lawsuit. Upon Mr. Lambert's recommendation and a motion by Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Mr. O'Neil, the Board voted unanimously to approve that the Pendleton County Board of Education appeal to the West Virginia Supreme Court, the recent Kanawha County Circuit Judge's ruling relating to the OPEB matter, provided that at least 44 other county board's have also agreed to join said appeal.

The next regular meeting of the Pendleton County Board of Education will be held on Tuesday, October 26, 2010, at Pendleton County Board of Education Annex at 6:00 P.M. Upon a motion by

Mr. O'Neil, seconded by Ms. Kimble, the meeting was adjourned at 8:37 P.M.

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