



## **Regular Meeting Agenda #18–3/13/18**

### **Regular Meeting Minutes**

The Pleasants County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, March 13, 2018 in the Board Meeting Room at 1009 Maple Street, St. Marys, WV at 6:23 p.m. with Vice President Danny DeMoss presiding.

Present: Mr. Danny DeMoss, Vice President  
Mrs. Sharon Gainer  
Mr. Marty Lawhon  
Mr. David Meeks

Absent: Dr. Heather Straight, President

Administrative staff present: G. Michael Wells, superintendent; and Jennifer Hupp, treasurer/chief school business official; Kim Kehrer, director of special programs; Jim Brown, director of curriculum and instruction; and Gary Bills, director of technology.

The following presented remarks and thanked the Board and Superintendent Wells and our community for their support during the recent work stoppage:

Mary Jane Helgren, David Fleming, Paula Oliverio, and Jodie Johnson

The Public Hearing for comments on the development of the 2018-2019 Pleasants County School Calendar was conducted with a version of the calendar presented that is aligned with this current year's calendar. Discussion followed. Mr. Wells has met with the County Calendar Committee and the MOVTI Superintendents for input into the calendar development.

On motion of Marty Lawhon, seconded by David Meeks, and as recommended by the Superintendent, the minutes of the February 22, 2018 regular meeting were approved 4-0.

On motion of Sharon Gainer, seconded by David Meeks, and as recommended by the Superintendent, the following transportation requests were approved 4-0:

- Trip #3553-Adam Nohe, Christina Price, Alissa McPeek, Dustin Bell, and Lindsay Minger to transport 66 students to Sixth Grade Field Trip-WV State Capitol-Charleston, WV-April 25, 2018
- St. Marys High School Softball Team transportation request, 2017-2018
- Pleasants County Middle School Track Team transportation request, 2017-2018

On motion of Marty Lawhon, seconded by Danny DeMoss, and as recommended by the Superintendent, the following finance items were approved 4-0 by consent:

**Invoices - \$526,157.00**  
**February Financial Report**  
**Budget transfers and supplements**

Mrs. Jennifer Hupp gave the Board updated FY19 information that included clarification of the 5% raise that was approved by the Legislature and Governor.

On motion of Marty Lawhon, seconded by David Meeks, and approved 4-0 the Board entered into executive session at 6:46 p.m. pursuant to WV Code §6-9a-4 for the discussion of personnel matters. The Board returned to open session at 7:24 p.m. with Vice President DeMoss announcing that no action had been taken.

On motion of Sharon Gainer, seconded by Marty Lawhon, and as recommended by the Superintendent, the following personnel items were approved 4-0:

Leave of Absence

(pursuant to FMLA) of St. Marys High School Head Custodian for March 12-13, 2018 - KIM JONES

Resignations

Resignation of Special Education Teacher, Pleasants County Middle School, for the purpose of retirement, effective at the end of the 2017-2018 school year – TERESA SWAN

Resignation of Cook II, St. Marys High School, for the purpose of retirement, effective June 30, 2018 – CATHY LITTLE

Resignation of Secretary III, St. Marys High School, for the purpose of retirement, effective at the end of the 2017-2018 school year – LINDA NAGLE

Resignation of Director of Child Nutrition/Attendance and Social Services, effective June 30, 2018 – KRISTI VENDERLIC

Resignation of Substitute Teacher Aide – TERESA BAILEY

Extracurricular Assignment Agreement

Vacancy #18-38, Groundsman-Mowing, Seasonal April 1 through October 31, 2018 – ERIC DAVIS

Volunteer Commitment Agreements

BES

Melinda Peckens

SMHS

Melissa Moore

Samantha Moore

Mr. Wells informed the Board that since not all counties in the RESA V approved moving to an ESC, they will not be able to move forward with the possibility of forming one. Therefore, they will be moving quickly to decide the path to take for the closing of the RESA V. Discussion centered around how this was to proceed.

On motion of David Meeks, seconded by Sharon Gainer, and as recommended by the Superintendent, the E-Rate Mini-Bid by Pomeroy was approved 4-0 in the amount of \$185,861.56 for cabling, electronics, and wireless installations for all county schools.


On motion of Marty Lawhon, seconded by Sharon Gainer, and as recommended by the Superintendent, the following revisions to the 2017-2018 Pleasants County School Calendar were approved 4-0:

- Friday, March 9, 2018 OS Day – Full Instructional Day with students to attend
- Friday, March 16, 2018 OS Day - Full Instructional Day with students to attend
- Friday, March 23, 2018 OS Day - Full Instructional Day with students to attend
- Monday, March 26, 2018 – Spring Break – Full Instructional Day with students to attend
- Tuesday, March 27, 2018 – Spring Break – Full Instructional Day with students to attend
- Wednesday, March 28, 2018 – Spring Break – Full Instructional Day with students to attend
- Thursday, March 29, 2018 – Spring Break – Early Release Instructional Day with students to attend until 1:00 p.m. dismissal time.

- Friday, June 1, 2018 OS Day –Last Full Instructional Day with students to attend
- Monday, June 4, 2018 – Professional Learning Day – Instructional Day – NO STUDENTS
- Tuesday, June 5, 2018 – Continuing Education Day
- Wednesday, June 6, 2018 – Preparation Day
- Thursday, June 7, 2018 – Teacher-Pupil-Parent Conference Day
- Friday, June 8, 2018 – OS Day
- The last day of employment term will be Monday, June 11, 2018 OS Day.

Jim Brown, director of curriculum and instruction:

**PLEASANTS COUNTY SCHOOLS**



**Director of Curriculum & Instruction Update**

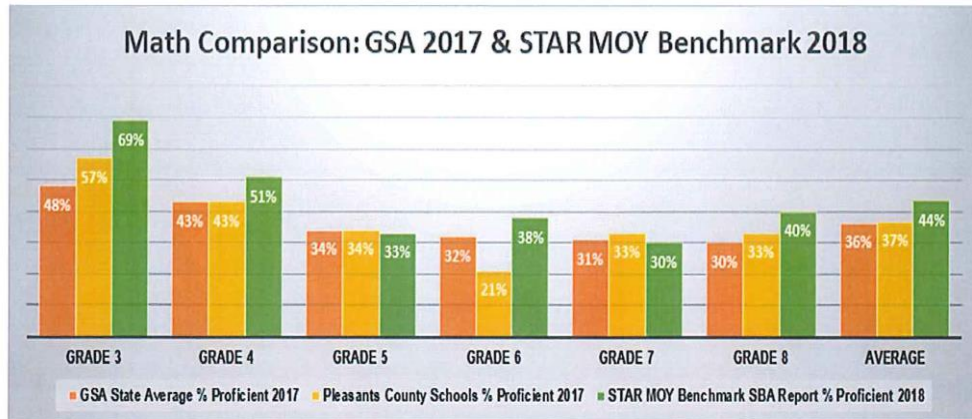
Presented by Jim Brown  
March 13, 2018

- Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Overview (Reference Handouts)**
  - Accountability Indicators, Measure, and Weighting for Elementary and Middle Schools
  - Accountability Indicators, Measure, and Weighting for High Schools
- Curriculum & Instruction**
  - Classroom teachers have completed Phase I, II and III of our Math Formative Assessment. Phase IV was due February 23<sup>rd</sup> but the deadline has been extended due to the work-stoppage.
  - Mathematics Textbook Adoption Update
  - Policy 2510 Revisions (Reference Handout)
    - Global Competence – Study of Diversity and Multicultural Education Training for School Personnel
    - Middle School Wellness
    - Uniform Grading Scale
    - Graduation Credits
  - Mid-Year Data Analysis

Below is a data analysis summary based on the results of our STAR Mid-Year Benchmark (SBA Report) against our performance on the 2017 GSA. As you will note, our ELA benchmark came in 14% above the State GSA 2017 average with a total of 10% growth. Keep in mind, 6% is considered high growth. Our Math benchmark came in 8% above the State GSA 2017 average with a total of 7% growth. The goal is +9% growth, which is most definitely attainable. Continued focus and support is imperative as we push towards the state assessment. One of my favorite quotes from Aristotle is fitting at this point in the school year... "We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then is not an act, but a habit."

**ELA Comparison: GSA 2017 & STAR MOY Benchmark 2018**

Grade	GSA State Average % Proficient 2017	Pleasants County Schools % Proficient 2017	STAR MOY Benchmark SBA Report % Proficient 2018
GRADE 3	45%	45%	65%
GRADE 4	47%	52%	51%
GRADE 5	49%	64%	56%
GRADE 6	45%	46%	74%
GRADE 7	48%	57%	59%
GRADE 8	45%	42%	58%
AVERAGE	47%	51%	61%



### 3. Assessment

- State Summative Assessment & Benchmark Administration Schedule

- Grades 3-8 State Summative Assessment Schedule (Reference Handout)
- April 10<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> Grade SAT School Day Test
- April 16<sup>th</sup> Students Grades 3-8 Math Classroom Benchmark Assessment (CBA)
- April 17<sup>th</sup> Students Grades 3- ELA Classroom Benchmark Assessment (CBA)
- April 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> Classroom Benchmark Assessment (CBA) Make-Up Window
- April 24<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> Grade SAT School Day Test Make-Up Day
- May 14<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> State Summative Assessment Administration Window
- May 21<sup>st</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> STAR End of Year Benchmark K-8 Administration

Kim Kehrer, director of special programs:

- In regard to testing this year, I'm really, really unhappy with the change for our students with disabilities. I feel like the focus now is on % proficient and we have lots of students in the lower range of 1 who are growing but still not proficient. It is like back when they were viewed by many as the kids who brought down our test scores.
- Two big changes coming out of the loss of RESA and now ESC are Medicaid Billing and CPI Training. We are working to absorb these functions and getting funding to continue them.
- We were awarded funding reimbursement through High Cost High Acuity and Technology grants for a percentage of the cost of educating and technology needs for two students.

- Pre-K Pre-registration call ins are in progress through Friday, March 16, 2018
- Registrations will be conducted at both elementary schools on May 24 and May 25
- May 17<sup>th</sup> will be the last day of school for Pre-K.

Gary Bills, director of technology:

- Informational handout of the Digital Divide as of March 2018 was given to Board members which showed a total of 1646 computing devices
- The network upgrade project and security system issues, as well as, equipment failure have required a good bit of time.

PCDA – Mr. Lawhon –will meet April 12th

SAFETY – Mr. DeMoss – will meet March 27th

RESA V – Mr. Wells – will meet March 21st

MOVTI – Mrs. Gainer – will meet March 22nd

FAIR – Mr. Meeks – met last week with plans and preparations getting underway

Mr. Wells reminded Board members about the Annual Ham and Bacon Sale at St. Marys High School on March 20<sup>th</sup>.

The next meeting will be on Thursday, March 22, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Meeting Room at 1009 Maple Street, St. Marys, WV.

On motion of David Meeks, seconded by Sharon Gainer, and approved 4-0, the meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

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President

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Secretary