

Regular Meeting Agenda #11 – 11/13/14 – Regular Meeting Minutes

The Pleasants County Board of Education met in regular session on November 13, 2014 in the Board Meeting Room at 1009 Maple Street, St. Marys, WV at 7:00 p.m. with Heather Straight presiding.

Present: Dr. Heather Straight, President
 Mr. Danny DeMoss, Vice President
 Mrs. Sharon Gainer
 Mr. Marty Lawhon
 Mr. Jim McKnight

Administrative staff present: G. Michael Wells, superintendent; Jennifer Hupp, treasurer/chief school business official; Chris Laumann, director of curriculum and instruction; Kim Kehrer, director of special programs; and Gary Bills, director of technology; and Rex Cox, director/supervisor of maintenance/facilities.

The Board opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Jeremy Radabaugh of the WVEA appeared as a delegation before the Board to ask for their support of pay increases for teachers and service personnel.

Tim Wilson appeared before the Board representing a delegation regarding Pleasants County Middle School girls' basketball.

On motion of Jim McKnight, seconded by Marty Lawhon, and as recommended by the Superintendent, the minutes of the regular meeting on October 23, 2014 were approved 5-0.

On motion of Jim McKnight, seconded by Marty Lawhon, and as recommended by the Superintendent, the following transportation requests were approved 5-0:

- St. Marys High School Freshman Boys' Basketball Team transportation request
- St. Marys High School Girls' Basketball Team transportation request
- Trip #2144-Boys & Girls Club to transport 30 students by bus to Regional RAZE Kickoff-Charleston Marriott-Charleston, WV-November 15, 2014
- Trip #2143-Jeff Sole to transport 88 students by chartered bus to 8th Grade DC Trip-Washington, DC-May 26-28, 2015
- Trip# 2153-Eric Croasmun to transport 4 students by private vehicle to 8th Grade Youth and Government Seminar-Charleston, WV-February 11-13, 2015
- Jay D. Smith to travel to Sunbury, PA to pick up new wrestling mats-retroactive to November 7, 2014
- Trip #2181-Tyrell Childers to transport 3 students by county vehicle to Ham and Bacon pigs to butcher-Milton, WV-November 16, 2014

On motion of Marty Lawhon, seconded by Jim McKnight, and as recommended by the Superintendent, the invoices were approved 5-0.

On motion of Marty Lawhon, seconded by Jim McKnight, and as recommended by the Superintendent, the October finance report was approved 5-0.

On motion of Jim McKnight, seconded by Sharon Gainer, and as recommended by the Superintendent, the budget transfers and supplements were approved 5-0.

On motion of Jim McKnight, seconded by Sharon Gainer, and as recommended by the Superintendent, the amendments for Carryover Provision (IRS Notice 2013-71) and Mid-Year Election Changes (IRS Notice 2014-55) were approved 5-0.

On motion of Jim McKnight, seconded by Marty Lawhon, and as recommended by the Superintendent, the resignation of RHODA FEHN as Elementary Counselor at Belmont Elementary School/St. Marys Elementary School was accepted 5-0.

On motion of Sharon Gainer, seconded by Jim McKnight, and as recommended by the Superintendent, the following volunteer commitment/agreements were approved 5-0:

BES - Donna Bunner
William Carder
Christa Davis
Sheryl Morris

PCMS - Jan Dearth
Brandy Taylor

SMES - Stephanie Barnhart
Christa Davis
Jan Dearth
Millie Farnsworth
Jessica Maston
Jaclyn Peters

SMHS - Erica Bennett
Jan Dearth

On motion of Jim McKnight, seconded by Marty Lawhon, and as recommended by the Superintendent, Policy 7.2.1.1 – Temporary Health Care/Education Intervention Program (Home/Hospital Instruction) was approved 5-0 on second reading.

On motion of Jim McKnight, seconded by Marty Lawhon, the tabled item was brought back and as recommended by the Superintendent, the Epic Communications Amendment for E-Rate Year 18 was approved 5-0.

On motion of Jim McKnight, seconded by Sharon Gainer, and as recommended by the Superintendent, Change Order #2 to Stuart McMunn for the new SMHS for Grease Trap Modification in the amount of \$6,704.99 was approved 5-0.

On motion of Jim McKnight, seconded by Sharon Gainer, and as recommended by the Superintendent, Change Order #3 to Stuart McMunn for the new SMHS to Insulate Condensate Lines in the amount of \$39,527.60 was approved 5-0.

On motion of Marty Lawhon, seconded by Jim McKnight, and as recommended by the Superintendent, Change Order #5 to Grae-Con Construction for the Athletic Facility to add a Pair of Doors, Drain, and Inlet in the amount of \$36,090.78 was approved 5-0.

On motion of Jim McKnight, seconded by Marty Lawhon, and as recommended by the Superintendent, the HVAC Testing and Balancing Bid for the new SMHS from HABCO-WV in the amount of \$11,000.00 was approved 5-0.

On motion of Jim McKnight, seconded by Marty Lawhon, and as recommended by the Superintendent, the resolution letter of support to the Governor for salary increases for teachers and service personnel was approved 5-0.

On motion of Sharon Gainer, seconded by Marty Lawhon, and as recommended by the Superintendent, the request for WVU-P students to student teach in Pleasants County was approved 5-0.

Kim Kehrer, director of special programs, updated the Board on the following items:

-Have been working with teachers regarding changes-Kindergarten is now a readiness year – developmental year. First round assessment data has all been entered. Programming has been a challenge. Office of Early Learning is now PK-5th grade.

-Staff has risen to the challenge with changes in the Medicaid Billing Process.
-Dr. Ball made his first visit to the county this year and did a lot of home visits and one on one meetings and also consulted with Westbrook.

Chris Laumann, director of curriculum and instruction, reported:

- Gary Bills and I will attend the CTC Conference which will cover WESTEST 2 & how test is being set up for the spring
- WESTEST 2 data is still embargoed from designations to the actual data itself
- Study Island is a standards based mastery instruction program and is now being utilized. It covers K-12 in all 4 content areas, AP study, ACT/SAT prep with built in remediation and acceleration tools and is all encompassing. Teachers can design specific lesson study sessions geared to the standards. It can be used at home.

Gary Bills, director of technology, gave the following update:

- We are now hard core gearing up for new SMHS
- Network is 95% up
- Everything is ordered and installations scheduled
- Will move equipment over Thanksgiving break & add additional server to manage the capacity of the new school. Any remaining wireless access points will be completed at that time. Smart Boards and classroom audio are scheduled to be install the second week of December and once computer lab furniture is in will begin installations of monitors to the virtual computers from servers.

Danny DeMoss stated the next Safety Committee meeting will be next Tuesday 11/18 at 4:00 p.m.

Sharon Gainer reported that the MOVTI Council met and two main issues were discussed. Water treatment plant roof request from the City of St. Marys and request for some form of compensation for the city wells and treatment plant on MOVTI property was one item that was discussed. Portfolio assessment coordination was also discussed. The next meeting is the 20th.

Jim McKnight attended the Development Authority meeting and mentioned taxes to be paid in lieu and that with the hydro plant work is going forward with employees.

Kim Kehrer mentioned that Dr. Strimer's Office participated in a pumpkin decorating contest and won has donated \$300.00 to the Sensory Room at Belmont.

Mr. Wells announced the board meetings with the LSIC's for January 8, 2015 at BES, January 22 at PCMS, February 12 at SMES, and February 26 at SMHS. Christmas programs will be at Belmont Elementary School on December 2 & 4; St. Marys Elementary on December 8, 9, & 10; Pleasants County Middle School on December 15 and St. Marys High School on December 19. Plan for new SMHS to have substantial completion in a few weeks with final completion December 20. Construction meetings are now weekly. As far as the high school itself, it is changing every day. Flooring is now being put down with tours being limited due to not having access to areas and the fact that changes daily. Plans are to start moving beginning the week of December 22, 2014 or sooner dependent upon progress. Plans for an open house are being made but it is critical for students to begin on January 5 so it will depend upon progress as well.

The next regular meeting will be on Thursday, December 11, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Meeting Room at 1009 Maple Street, St. Marys, WV 26170.

On motion of Danny DeMoss, seconded by Jim McKnight, and approved 5-0 the meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

President

Secretary