

PELLSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Minutes

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

Monday, May 10, 2010

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 10, 2010. President Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present: Kathy Smith, Chris Rybinski, Ron Wolford, Connie Dzedzie, Jim Milbrandt, and John Ritter.

Member(s) absent: Sheri Kindell

The *Pledge of Allegiance* and prayer were led by Chris Rybinski.

It was moved by Jim Milbrandt and supported by Ron Wolford to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 12, 2010 and the minutes of the Special Board Meeting held on April 26, 2010. The motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Connie Dzedzie and supported by John Ritter to approve payment of the bills for the months of April and May 2010 in the amount of \$88,800.97 with payment being made from the following funds: General Fund, \$73,049.51; Athletics, \$3,684.32; and Food Service, \$1,2067.14 The motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Connie Dzedzie and supported by John Ritter to approve the payrolls for the dates of May 21 & June 4, 2010 and payment of the benefits and utilities from May 11, 2010 through June 6, 2010 and electronic transfers. The motion carried 6-0.

Public Petitions

PTO Report – Written Report read by Kathy Smith from Tiffany Milbrandt (See attached)

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Principal's Reports

Tony Basanese reported:

- ✓ PTO luncheon for Teacher Appreciation Week
- ✓ Scholarship Night – 10 applicants
- ✓ Lock-down drill went very well.

Seniors received caps and gowns today

Drama production and fine arts show this weekend

Honors Night

Graduation practice

May 30 graduation
Co-Valedictorians and Salutatorian

Monique Dean reported (see attached)

- ✓ 39 kids enrolled for Kdg at roundup
- ✓ Screened all with Project 1st Step screener
- ✓ Will be integrated into classroom instruction
- ✓ Completed joint pre-school recruitment with LTBB, Headstart, Char-Em with 10-15 students
- ✓ Finished first draft of Title I rubric
- ✓ Reading committee and reading committees will be working with Tracy Hales to analyze MEAP data and strategize for next year
- ✓ MiBLSi May 10, 2010
- ✓ Dome Theater will be in late May with Cake and Ice Cream refreshments
- ✓ Playground inspection has noted some changes that are now being worked on to make needed improvements
- ✓ Reading series for 2010-11 will be new Pearson/Scott-Foresman series
- ✓ Sheri Saddison and 21st Century Grant (small amount) will be used for more
- ✓ Data
- ✓ Music Program “Feeling good” is Thursday, May 13th

J.V. Football – Tom Litzner and Chris Jurek

Athletic Director Tom Litzner made a plea on behalf of the junior varsity coaches to reinstate the football program as a self-funded sport. Coaching salaries and benefits are the major cost. Coaches would be willing to donate services to keep the program going or return pay back to the Board of Education. Superintendent Tebbe noted that salaries are a contractual issue and would have to be handled through negotiations. The numbers of students participating would indicate that the program could be a break-even proposition. J.V. numbers would be between 16-20 kids and this is a very solid number, in Mr. Litzner’s opinion. Varsity will also be a solid 16-18 players. The audience was invited to comment and many spoke on behalf of reinstating the program. Kathy Smith thanked the audience for their participation and comments. She assured everyone that the Board wants what is best for all and feel very saddened by the lack of money to fund the program. Mrs. Smith cautioned that the Board would be counting on the students to honor their commitment to keep the participation numbers at an acceptable level, particularly through eligibility. She would like to see the Board give the program a chance to self-fund. It was moved by John Ritter and supported by Jim Milbrandt to reinstate j.v. football for the 2010-11 school year, as a self-funded program with 15% of the cost paid to the District prior to the first game of the season, and with an annual review of the program. The motion carried 5-1.

Recognitions & Remembrances

None

Old Business - None

New Business

It was moved by Connie Dzedzie and supported by Chris Rybinski to approve the 2010 L-4029 Tax Rate Request form as presented. The motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Connie Dzedzie and supported by Jim Milbrandt to approve the proposed 2010-11 Char-Em ISD General Fund Budget, as recommended. The motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Jim Milbrandt and supported by John Ritter to opt out of the School of Choice Program adopted by the Michigan Legislature under Section 105 of the State School Aid Act of 1979 (as amended) and approve continued participation in the School of Choice Program currently in effect in all school districts within the Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District and opt into the Section 105C of the School Aid Act of 1979, as amended by Public Act 300 of 1996, to accept applications of nonresident students from outside our district who reside in constituent adjacent school districts. The motion carried 6-0.

The Board acknowledged the Notice of Available 2010-11 School of Choice Openings available to parents wishing to enroll students from outside of the Pellston District.

It was moved by John Ritter and supported by Jim Milbrandt to approve the RTTT Resolution and Memorandum of Understanding for the Michigan Department of Education. The motion carried 6-0.

The Board acknowledged Connie Dzedzie's re-election and the passage of the Char-Em technology millage renewal at the May 4, 2010 millage election.

Personnel

The Board reviewed proposals for RFP's for sub-contracting of custodial, food service and transportation. The MEA notified the Board that they demand the right to bargain. It was moved by Ron Wolford and supported by John Ritter to move forward with collecting RFP's, for subcontracting of Custodial, Food Service and Transportation services. The motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by John Ritter and supported by Chris Rybinski to approve the recommendation of Athletic Director Tom Litzner to appoint the following coaches for fall coaching positions.

Varsity Football – Dave Brines

Assistant Varsity Football – Ted Stanczak

Varsity Volleyball – Tim McNitt

J.V. Volleyball – Chris Myers

8th Grade Volleyball – Brooke Groff

The motion carried 6-0.

The Board decided to table a decision on Winter sports coaching positions until the budget is known.

It was moved by Connie Dzedzie and supported by Ron Wolford to approve the recommendation of Mrs. Monique Dean to acknowledge the completion of Mrs. Jessica Williams third year of probationary/non-tenured teacher status, effective at the end of the 2009-10 school year. The motion carried 6-0.

Curriculum Report

Information

Transportation Report— English

Mr. Tebbe noted that the number of functional buses is getting smaller and the cost of fuel is going up.

Athletic Report—Litzner

Food Service Program—Tippett

Summer lunch program is gearing up for another busy summer. Numbers are anticipated to be greater. Vacancies have been posted to run the Food Service for Summer School and the Dalmac Bicycle Event.

Trust & Agency Report – Ferris

District School Improvement Team – Mitchell

Hall of Fame nominations are open from now until July 1st.

RFP's for energy savings plans. Now that election is over, the Board is still interested in releasing RFP for energy conservation projects that are performance based with guaranteed savings. Companies expressing interest will be asked to come in and look at the system to develop RFP's.

Special Meeting set for Monday, May 24th at 7:30 p.m. to review instructional plan changes for 2010-11.

Committee Reports/Assignments

Athletic Committee request for meeting by Chris Rybinski. Mr. Tebbe will check with Tom Litzner.

Building and Grounds committee meeting requested by Mr. Tebbe for Tuesday, May 25th at 6:30 p.m.

Personnel committee will meet prior to the Special Meeting on Tuesday, May 18th at 5:30 p.m.

Adjournment

It was moved by John Ritter and supported by Chris Rybinski to adjourn the meeting at 9:23 P.M. The motion carried 6-0.