

PELLSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Minutes

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

Monday, June 27, 2011

Budget Hearing

Superintendent Tebbe asked if there were any questions or concerns regarding the tax rate for 2011-12. With no comment, Mr. Tebbe thanked everyone for their participation in the Budget process. Superintendent Tebbe explained the 2011-12 budget summary.

Regular Meeting

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, June 27, 2011. Vice-President Chris Rybinski called the meeting to order at 7: 10 P.M. Present: Connie Dzedzie, John Ritter, Jim Milbrandt, Chris Rybinski, Mark Zink and April Landon. Member(s) absent: Kathy Smith.

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

It was moved by Connie Dzedzie and supported by John Ritter to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on June 13, 2011. The motion carried 6-0.

Public Petitions

Food Service Year End Report – Bruce Spychalski

Bruce reported that the Food Service department has increased the percentage of students being served for breakfasts and lunches even though the enrollment numbers are down. Revenue and expenses are doing well. Excess revenue should be around 25,000 this year; however the June figures are not in. With new standards for 2011-12 we will have to provide more fruits and vegetables even though there will probably be more waste. In Bruce's opinion, students will not eat these items and they will be thrown out. With Great Lakes Commodities our student lunch volume will net us approx. \$15,000 per year for commodities.

The benefit of providing breakfast to our students is primarily in keeping our students healthy. Financially, we are only bringing in about \$40 a day as revenue from the breakfast program. Our supper program is doing very well and serving approximately 80 students per day. The program is free for the students and brings in some revenue.

Summer Lunch Program is in full swing and serving approximately 80 students per day during summer school programs. When summer school is not in operation we are serving approximately 35 children, who attend Camp Cool.

The State of Michigan is requiring us to charge full pay students an amount which equates to what we are reimbursed for our free and reduced students. Bruce is suggesting that we raise the lunch cost an additional .05 per meal.

The Personnel Committee will set a meeting, to discuss additional concerns, sometime after the Board's reorganizational meeting in July.

Recognitions and Remembrances

The Board recognized and thanked Mr. Oscar Overholt for his 24 years of service as Pellston Public Schools school board member, bus driver and bus mechanic. Oscar is retiring and will be missed by everyone who has worked and interacted with him. We have had 100% passage of bus inspections for eleven years thanks to Oscar.

Old Business - None

New Business

Mark Zink noted that Cole Andrews would like to see the weight room moved to the mezzanine. It was noted that Varsity Baseball Coach, Randy Bricker, Jr. has concerns about having to relocate the batting cage. The cage is used year-round and this has made a big difference for the baseball and softball athletes. The athletic department recommends that the athletic department's fund raising efforts be focused specifically on extras and large expenses such as uniforms and equipment. This would require the Board to approve funding the entire athletics program, rather than asking the fundraising efforts to help. It was moved by John Ritter and supported by Jim Milbrandt to move the weight room to the mezzanine. The motion passed 5-1. It was moved by Mark Zink and supported by John Ritter to approve the JV Football, Softball, and Baseball programs (provided the numbers are strong) for the 2011-12 year. The motion carried 6-0.

Superintendent Tebbe directed the Board to review the budget hand-outs and recommended the approval of the General Fund amendment for 2010-11. It was moved by Connie Dzedzie and supported by Jim Milbrandt to approve the General Budget Amendment Resolution for 2010-11, as recommended by the Superintendent. The motion carried 6-0.

Special Revenue Fund resolution was summarized by Superintendent Tebbe. It was moved by John Ritter and supported by Mark Zink to approve the 2010-11 Amendment Resolution and the Appropriations Resolution for 2011-12 for General Fund, Special Revenue Fund – Food Service, as recommended by the Superintendent. The motion carried 6-0.

It was moved to Connie Dzedzie and supported by Jim Milbrandt to approve the General Fund budget for 2011-12. The motion carried 6-0. Mr. Tebbe recognized the administration and staff for their efforts to hold the line on the budget. He also thanked Pam Mayhew and Michelle Ferris for their many hours of work to prepare the budgets.

Bruce Spsychalski is recommending the Board approve the purchase of a new oven for the MS/HS kitchen. Bruce will seek a updated bid. It was moved by Connie Dzedzie and supported by Jim Milbrandt to approve the General Fund, Food Service Special Revenue budget for 2011-12. The motion carried 6-0.

Committee Reports/Assignments

Personnel Committee will wait to set a meeting date until the Reorganizational Meeting on July 11th, 2011.

Monique Dean thanked the Board for approval of the second GSRP classroom. We have many more families than needed for a full enrollment. They are planning on a total of 34 students between the two classes. A pilot program will be held to transition some of our students into the elementary building.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by John Ritter and supported by Mark Zink to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 P.M. The motion carried 6-0.