

# PELLSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## Minutes

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

**Monday, January 9, 2023**

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, January 9, 2023. Members present: Jim Milbrandt, Rob Thomson, Mark Zink, Kristen Bauer-Frye, Bryan Searles and Serenity Dankert. Members absent: Stephanie Bromley.

President Milbrandt called the regular meeting to order at 7:04pm.

The *Pledge of Allegiance* and a moment of reflection were led by Mark Zink.

### **Information/Presentations**

Spotlight Presentation – Board Appreciation Month Recognition and Middle School Robotics Team

Athletic Report – Nick Mesnard (Report Enclosed)

Transportation Report – Lee Minzey (Report Enclosed)

Food Service Report –Mrs. Amy Beach (Report Enclosed)

Elementary Report – Mrs. VanAntwerp provided a written report to the Board. Report on file.

MS/HS Principal Report – Mr. Schlappi provided a written report to the Board. Report on file.

### **Administrator Highlights**

### **Public Commentary**

### **Correspondence**

### **Old Business**

### **New Business**

Substance Abuse Policy – Discussions about substance abuse policy changes have continued since the December meeting. Tonight we are sharing the new proposed Substance Abuse Policy for Pellston Middle/High School with the Board of Education. Motion by Serenity Dankert and supported by Bryan Searles, to approve the substance abuse changes to our MS/HS Handbook. Motion carried 6-0.

MS/HS Bathroom Remodel Projects – Mr. Seelye led a discussion with the Board of Education about proposed improvements to our MS/HS bathrooms and shared a quote for materials from a local contractor. No action was requested at this time.

MS/HS Stage Floor Project – Mr. Seelye shared his research and some product samples with the Board of Education for the surface replacement of the MS/HS stage floor. Motion by Serenity Dankert and supported by Kristen Bauer-Frye, to approve the purchase of maple flooring from Boyne Hardwood in the amount of \$28,000.00. Motion carried 6-0.

Bus Garage Doors – Mr. Seelye shared the need for new doors at the bus garage with the Board of Education. Our new electric school buses are wider than our diesel buses and drivers currently have to pull in a mirror before driving into the bus garage. For just under \$20,000.00, North Shore Screen & Door can change the layout to two larger doors equipped with garage door openers. Motion by Rob Thomson and supported by Serenity Dankert, to approve the installation of two new garage doors in the amount of \$19,636.76 plus the cost of ‘header’ lumber material from North Shore Screen & Door. Motion carried 6-0.

### **Approval of Consent Agenda Items**

Motion by Serenity Dankert, supported by Kristen Bauer-Frye, “that the Consent Agenda Items for the January 9, 2023 meeting of the Board of Education be adopted, as presented.” The motion carried 6-0.

### **Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Motion: “that the Board of Education approve the regular meeting minutes of the December 12, 2022 Board Meeting”.

### **Payment of the Bills**

Motion: “that the Board of Education, pay Gross Payrolls for December 16, 2022 and December 30, 2022; Benefits and Utilities and ACH transfers for the month of December 2022.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education of Pellston Public Schools pay all fund bills paid by checks as listed in the enclosed board packet totaling: \$825,354.65.”

### **Business and Finance Items**

#### **Personnel Items**

Motion: “that the Board of Education of Pellston Public Schools approve the hiring of Mrs. Hannah Robarge as a MS/HS Special Education Intervention Specialist, as recommended by Mr. Christopher Schlappi.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education of Pellston Public Schools approve the hiring of Mr. Matt Zulski as the Boys Baseball Coach for the 2022-2023 season, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education of Pellston Public Schools approve the hiring of Vince DeAgostino as the Boys Football Coach for the 2023-2024 season, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

**Adjournment**

It was motioned by Mark Zink and supported by Serenity Dankert to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 PM. The motion carried 6-0. The meeting adjourned.