

March 21, 2011

The special meeting of the Board of School Trustees was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mrs. Shuey. Mrs. Shuey led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. All Board members were present except Mr. Wagner. Also present were Mr. Brimbury, Dr. Thompson, Mr. Hall, Mrs. Minard, Mr. Hanson, Mr. Strong, several staff, patrons, students, and local news media representatives.

I. PERSONNEL

- A. RECOMMENDATION TO EMPLOY FOOTBALL COACH - Mrs. Shuey stated the purpose of the special meeting this evening is to employ a varsity football coach.

Mr. Brimbury stated today is a great day for Peru Community Schools. He reviewed the selection process stating the administration talked with the community and veterans and key personnel to determine what we were looking for in a coach and the football program. He stated it was obvious we were looking for someone passionate for Peru, could work with other people, had extensive background in physical training, background of success, and extensive background with youth football. Mr. Brimbury stated considering these criteria the committee searched Indiana to find the right candidate. He stated the search took months and they were patient. He was pleased to state we have a home run tonight!

Mr. Hanson stated Mr. Bob Prescott made an impression with his passion for football and kids, all kids not just football players. He is involved and supports kids beyond football. As a teacher, the references gave nothing but high regards. He stated he was very excited about the program mentality Mr. Prescott will bring to Peru through the football program and in the classroom. Mr. Prescott has had success with two conference wins and has set his goals further. Peru looks for strong character in every employee and Mr. Prescott has that character.

Mrs. Shuey requested a motion. Mr. Stanton recommended Mr. Bob Prescott as the varsity football coach, physical education/health teacher grades 7-12, and strength coordinator. Mr. Maxwell seconded the motion, unanimously approved. The Board congratulated Coach Prescott.

Mr. Brimbury welcomed Coach Prescott and his family to Peru. He invited the public to stay for a reception at the conclusion of the meeting to meet the coach.

Mr. Hanson invited the audience to tour the new fitness center that is near completion at the conclusion of the meeting as well.

Coach Prescott thanked the Board and administration for their confidence. He talked about his passion and stated his first priority is the students. He said he would be back Thursday morning to talk with the players. He stated he wanted to build a relationship and trust. He informed the public and players the coaching staff will push harder, longer, and farther than the players think they can go. He addressed the parents and requested he hopes they will allow him to be a part of the process of their child growing up. To the community he stated he cannot guarantee wins or a conference title. That will depend on the young men and their desire. A priority for him is to give them character building and life skills. To the coaches he stated he will be looking forward to getting to know them. And to the Tiger Cubs he stated he is excited about getting them involved.

Coach Prescott introduced his wife Laura, son Cordell (7th grade) and daughter Lindley (5th grade). He again thanked

the Board and administration and stated he is eager to get started.

II. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Maxwell moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

Secretary,

Lowell Maxwell

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