

May 9, 2011

The regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mrs. Shuey. Mrs. Shuey led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. All Board members were present. Also present were Mr. Brimbury, Dr. Thompson, Mr. Hall, Mrs. Minard, Mrs. Hull, Mr. Scott Thompson, several teachers, students, parents, patrons, and local a news media representative.

On motion by Mr. Stanton, seconded by Mr. Maxwell, the Board unanimously approved the agenda as presented, the memorandum of April 18, 2011, and the personnel report.

PERSONNEL

A. RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS/TERMINATIONS

1. George McNeely - PHS teacher aide - resignation - effective end of school year
2. Cheryl Fullmer - bus driver - resignation - effective May 13, 2011

B. LEAVES - no business

C. RECOMMENDATION FOR CERTIFIED POSITIONS

1. Daniel Sacre - PHS Chemistry/Science teacher - 2011 Purdue graduate
2. Technology Trainer - Chris Cover
3. Summer School Staff -
 - PHS - Math - Deb Hull
 - PE - Greg Badry
 - English - unassigned at this time
 - PJHS - Math - Eric Isenburg and Lori Fellers
 - English - Jennifer Bauman and Jessica Mast
 - Elem.- Kdg - Emma Lloyd
 - 1st grade - Allison Mathews and Clint Mathews
 - 2nd grade - Jo Touloukian and Jeryl Buffington
 - 3rd grade - Sharon Dillman and Dennett Roettger
 - 4th grade - Misty Russell and Avriel Mullett
 - 5th grade - Dave Weeks and Teresa McCain
 - 6th grade - Leslie Murphy
 - Aides- K and 6th split - Missy Clark
 - 1st grade - Angie Marburger
 - 2nd grade - Janet Elson
 - 3rd grade - Mary Ann Honn
 - 4th grade - Joann Main
 - 5th grade - Tonya Ray
 - Tech Aides- K-6 - Tresha Rice
 - 7-12 - Tara Enyeart
 - Secretary - Elementary - Judie Siblisk
 - PJHS - Kyletta Marburger
 - PHS - Kris Shaw
 - Administrator - Elementary - Ron Mullett, Mr. Hahn sub
 - PJHS - Sam Watkins
 - PHS - Kenneth Hanson

D. RECOMMENDATION FOR CLASSIFIED POSITIONS

1. Teresa Richardson - from sub to full time bus driver

E. RECOMMENDATION FOR EXTRA-CURRICULAR POSITIONS

1. Karen Baker - PJHS Academic coach
2. Emma Lloyd - PJHS Academic coach

F. REQUESTS TO ATTEND CONFERENCES - no business

G. DONATIONS - no business

I. PUBLIC COMMENT - No comments

II. RECOGNITIONS

Mr. Brimbury acknowledged the high school Academic Super Bowl Science team in their recent accomplishments. He informed the

Board this past Saturday the team competed in the state finals at Purdue. Peru finished second in Class 2 (2nd largest division), missing first place by one question. Considering all schools competing, Peru placed 5th in the State. Mr. Brimbury pointed out Peru has a very young team too, one junior and four sophomores, no seniors. Team members were Marshall Gaddy, Chelsea Hall, Emily Hobbs, John Sherrill, Sarah Warder, and Hannah Banina (alternate). Mr. Dave Swihart has coached the team for 17 years and believes Peru has the longest running consecutive state appearances. Mr. Brimbury extended his congratulations and reminded the Board Mr. Swihart is retiring this year. He will be missed. Mr. Murray and Ms. Bertke are also coaches.

Mr. Brimbury thanked Mrs. Brown and the teachers who attended the Washington, D.C. annual trip or helped coordinate the trip. Mrs. Brown shared the full itinerary of the trip. She stated 45 students, four parents, and five staff members attended this year's tour. She stated she received several compliments on the nice group of students. The four NJHS officers: Andrew Rice, Nolan Brimbury, Isaac Badry, and Katie Milroy, shared some of their experiences with the Board. They all agreed it was a very worthwhile trip and it was hard to decide what was their favorite part. They mentioned the National Cathedral, Library of Congress, Holocaust Museum, dinner cruise, and Lincoln Memorial as favorites. Mr. Casper, PJHS teacher, stated he took the time to look up Peru's first Hall of Fame Inductee, Admiral Antrim. He was a medal of honor winner and was buried at Arlington Cemetery in section 35. He was successful in finding Admiral Antrim's grave site. Mr. Casper said the group would like to include this stop in their future trips and possibly have a wreath ceremony.

Isaac thanked the School Board for the opportunity to take this memorable trip. He said this is an awesome opportunity for our NJHS members. Mr. Brimbury thanked Mrs. Brown noting planning this trip is a huge undertaking of time and effort. Ms. Rice, parent chaperone, thanked the teachers for an outstanding job in getting the kids where they needed to be and for making them behave!

Mrs. Brown requested the Board's permission to move ahead with plans for next year's trip. She stated tentative dates are April 17-22, 2012. On motion by Mr. Stanton, seconded by Mr. Maxwell, the Board unanimously approved the trip.

III. PROGRAM

A. PBIS PRESENTATION - Mr. Brimbury reminded the Board last year we implemented PBIS, a program that stresses positive behavior rather than negative behavior. Mrs. Barbara Jamison, behavior specialist, shared a presentation stating every school has its own team. She stated we focus on incentives for behavior and academics. She stated each school has a program that is incorporated into their classroom work as well as in the halls, lunch room, recess, etc. As part of the discipline data, she noted the discipline from last year to this year is down 46%. She added that includes referrals not just suspensions or expulsions. Suspensions, both in-school and out, are down 15%. She noted incentives are also given to teachers for the positive interaction with the students and their involvement in the program. Mr. Brimbury stated this is a national program. But the teachers and support staff have to buy into the program too to make it successful. We are getting more and more positive because of this! Mr. Brimbury noted this program has been a very positive initiative.

B. PERU PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD APPOINTMENT - Mr. Hall stated the committee interviewed four qualified candidates. The recommendation was to appoint Mrs. Edwards to another term. The new term will expire May 31, 2015. On motion by Mr.

Stanton, seconded by Mr. Maxwell, the Board approved the recommendation by a 5-0-2 vote (Mr. Wagner and Mr. Wolfe abstained). Mr. Wagner stated he was very pleased with the number of applicants and their qualifications.

- C. BOARD PARTICIPATION REPORT - Mr. Brimbury shared the first quarter Board participation report. He noted the Board collectively spent 110½ hours in Board activities. He thanked the Board for their support and participation. Mr. Wolfe pointed out there are many events the Board members attend even though they may not have a child participating. A copy is in Supplementary Minute Book #13, page 50.

IV. BUDGET

- A. CLAIMS - Mr. Hall presented and reviewed the claims for Board approval. Mr. Comerford moved to approve the claims as presented, seconded by Mr. Wagner, unanimously approved as follows:

GENERAL FUND	41,403.12
CAPITAL PROJECTS	9,164.06
TRANSPORTATION OPERATING FUND	1,761.24
SCHOOL LUNCH FUND	49,189.75
KEYS ACADEMY	1,379.56
PROJECT EXTENDED DAY	91.44
GIFTED & TALENTED 2010/11	139.83
TECHNOLOGY E-RATE REBATE	701.50
TITLE I 2010-11	1,714.39
PARENT NURTURING PROGRAM	595.63
ADULT BASIC EDUCATION FUND	284.94
TITLE II PART A TEACHER IMPROV	1,395.39
TITLE I STIMULUS-GRANTS TO LEA	264.66
IDEA-STIMULUS PART B-SPEC ED	99.97
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN - GOV BD.	219.74
FEDERAL TAX	42,460.59
SOCIAL SECURITY	22,913.34
CHILD SUPPORT	<u>290.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 174,069.15

- B. FUND MONITORING REPORT - Mr. Hall reviewed the fund monitoring report for the month of April. He stated the general fund is doing well. The transportation fund is 36% expended. Payroll is 31% expended. The trending is going very well. We are maintaining our strategic goal of 10% fund balance in the general fund. Mr. Maxwell moved to approve the report, seconded by Mr. Comerford, unanimously approved.

V. OPERATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY

A. REQUESTS TO USE FACILITIES

1. Quigley Jazz Festival - PHS Auditorium - Friday, November 11, Combo Concert at 7:00 p.m. - Saturday, November 12, Big Band Concert at 7:00 p.m. Set-up and rehearsals will begin Tuesday, November 8. The PHS Swing Choir and Jazz Band will also be performing.
2. GLAM (God Leading A Multitude) kick off for all elementary and middle school aged Miami County girls - PHS auditorium, commons area, and Tiger Den - Friday, June 24, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Mr. Maxwell moved to approve the requests and waive the facility rental fees, seconded by Mr. Comerford, unanimously approved.

B. REQUESTS TO USE EQUIPMENT

1. Miami County Relay for Life - two sets of portable bleachers - June 24 through 25. Holland Towing will be moving the bleachers to the Peru River Walk near the Fort and returning them.

Mr. Stanton moved to approve the request, seconded by Mr. Maxwell, unanimously approved.

- C. BUS REPLACEMENT - Mr. Hall recommended purchasing one 2012

Thomas Saf-T-Liner C2 from Kerlin Bus Sales & Leasing, Inc. for \$79,482 plus the cost of the camera system. He noted this is the lowest bid from the CIESC state bid. Other bids were Bluebird \$82,731 and IC/Collins \$83,579. The total cost including camera and trade-in (\$2,000) of our current 13 year old bus is \$78,932. Mr. Hall stated upon receipt of our taxes, funds will be available in the Bus Replacement Fund to pay for the purchase. Mr. Wolfe and Mr. Maxwell commented about the refurbishing presentation Mr. Stanfield from S & S shared with the Board late last fall. Mr. Hall stated he could have Mr. Frushour look into that possibility as next year we will be replacing two buses. It was noted the refurbishing is not on one of our buses, but on a bus Mr. Stanfield hand picks that is being sold. Mr. Wolfe moved to approve the recommendation, seconded by Mr. Comerford. Mr. Comerford asked about what money can be spent from the transportation fund. Mr. Hall responded we cannot buy a van or an activity bus, operating expenses, or pay payroll. Mr. Wolfe noted we have stretched our purchasing due to funding by not purchasing a bus on the 10-year rotation plan originally established before the state funding drastically declined. The Board unanimously approved the recommendation.

As an addendum, on Tuesday, May 10, Mr. Hall was informed we received an additional \$1,135 for the trade-in value of our bus. The total new bus purchase was lowered to \$77,797.

VI. BOARD AND ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS

- A. SUPERINTENDENT - Mr. Brimbury commented on the prom. He stated the king and queen were both students in Mrs. Strong's room. The students received a standing ovation as they were crowned king and queen. Mr. Brimbury added there were not many dry eyes. He stated this is another example of the excellent students we have in our school corporation.

Mr. Brimbury thanked Deb Hull for her leadership with the teachers. He stated we are working through legislative changes. He noted he continues to be open, transparent, and working arm in arm with the teachers and students. We are here to help the students. The right people are in place in this district.

- B. BOARD - Mr. Wolfe stated the academic awards banquet is this Sunday evening at 6:00 at PHS. He stated it is a neat night. Mr. Swihart and Ms. Bertke do a wonderful job. It was also pointed out that Friday, May 20th, is the athletic banquet for seniors.

Mr. Wagner stated he was very pleased with the quality of the elementary band program.

Mrs. Shuey stated the next meeting is here on Monday, May 23.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Maxwell moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

Secretary,

Lowell Maxwell