

**Minutes of the
PEWAMO-WESTPHALIA
Board of Education
April 21, 2022
7:00 P.M. Regular Board Meeting**

President's Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by President Hafner at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge to the Flag

Roll Call

Board Members Present: Jason Hafner, Jim Pohl, Tim Schafer, Brie Henning, Kim Thelen, Preston Weber and Kathy Wood

Board Members Absent: None

Approval of Agenda: *Motion made by K. Wood, seconded by K. Thelen to approve the agenda, consent agenda and March Board Meeting minutes. Motion carried 7-0.*

Presentation by Theater Students: Students Carli Huhn, Emma Fedewa, Landon Thelen, Ben Pawlanta and Hayden Hengesbach provided an overview of the Theater program and their recent production of "All Shook Up." Mr. Summers indicated he would help transition the next Theater Director when hired.

Pirate Pride Recognition: Mrs. Goodman previously asked community members to submit names of volunteers to be recognized for their contributions to P-W Schools. Mrs. Goodman recognized Mr. Jim Pivarnik for his commitment to P-W and sharing his photographic talents of students performing at extracurricular events.

Performance Services Presentation: Mr. Bob Wheaty and Mr. Mike Livendale provided an overview of services they could provide to assist in determining facilities needs for a future bond.

Administrator's Reports:

Instructional Technology Specialist: Mrs. Johnston and her IT staff have begun working on preparations for year end device collections and preparing orders for the 2022-23 school year.

Curriculum, Assessments and Athletic Director: Mr. Thelen stated Spring testing is currently taking place. Thanked Coach Nuremberg for organizing a tribute to retired Coach Mark Rademacher at a recent baseball game. Very pleased with our Athletic Trainer Lauren Peninga, who is providing services through Spectrum Health.

Elementary School Principal: Mrs. Farmer stated the Elementary School has done a great job with having two sections of Begindergarten this year, compared to one section the last several years. Mrs. Farmer expressed her support and praise of her staff in all positions in her building. Invited the Board members to visit the Elementary School.

Middle/High School Principal: Mr. Simmons introduced Miss Taylor McPhail, our new 7/8 ELA Teacher for the 2022-23 school year. Thanked the Board for allowing him to invite students to present at the Board meeting.

Student Representative: Miss Fedewa stated AP testing is May 3 and May 11. Prom will be held at Andy T's on May 7th. The Senior Trip will take place on Sunday, May 16th. Graduation is Wednesday, May 18.

Superintendent: Mrs. Goodman stated the new cafeteria tables arrived today. Several students and staff reimagined a new flow layout and table set up. Asbestos removal/new flooring will take place over the summer and recently provided staff with materials to pack materials.

Communications: (3 minutes per person)

Public comments from Nathan Klein, St. Joseph's Schools Athletic Director. Thanked the Board for the current athletic agreement. Requesting St. Joe's 7th and 8th grade girls are allowed to play volleyball with the P-W Middle School athletes.

Board Reports:

Building & Site:

Personnel:

Accepted the retirement of Mrs. Martha Schmitz as Bus Driver effective June 30, 2022.

Approved the recommendation to hire Ms. Taylor McPhail as the ELA 7/8 Teacher effective August 15, 2022.

President's Comments: Mr. Hafner thanked everyone for coming to today's meeting. With hearing the presentation earlier this evening from Performance Services, Mr. Hafner realizes the Board will have some difficult decisions in the future with regards to potential construction/bond.

Action Items:

Old Business: N/A

New Business:

Approve Performance Services for Phase 1 study of Pewamo Westphalia Community Schools -

Motion made by P. Weber, seconded by B. Henning, to approve the Performance Services Phase 1 study of Pewamo-Westphalia Community Schools. Motion carried 7-0.

Financial:

Financial Summary Report March 31, 2022, including Special Revenue

Account Payable Listing, March 31, 2022

Mrs. Goodman recommended the Board meet in closed session under section MCL 15.268(c) of the Open Meetings Act, to discuss collective bargaining. *At 8:19 p.m., motion made by Kathy Wood, seconded by Tim Schafer, to move into closed session to discuss collective bargaining. Motion carried 7-0.*

Motion made by K. Thelen, seconded by B. Henning at 8:54 pm, to return to the open session. Motion carried 7-0.

Future Meeting Dates/Events:

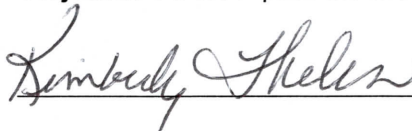
May 2-6 Staff Appreciation Week

May 16, 2022 May Board Meeting

May 18, 2022 Commencements

May 30, 2022 No School

Adjourn: At 8:54 p.m. the meeting adjourned.

 ^{for} PRESTON WEBER

Approved by Preston Weber, Board of Education Secretary