

**Minutes of the
PEWAMO-WESTPHALIA
Board of Education
November 15, 2021
7:00 P.M. Regular Board Meeting**

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

Roll Call:

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

Board Member Absent –Preston Weber

Approval of Agenda:

Consideration of consent agenda items and Approval of Minutes for the Regular Meeting Minutes held October 18, 2021. *Motion made by Tim Schafer, seconded by Brie Henning, to approve the October 18, 2021, meeting minutes, approve the consent agenda, and the agenda. Motion passed 6-0.*

Presentation by Jen Branch, Clinton County RESA on the Career and Technology Education

Program: Mrs. Branch provided an overview of the CTE program. Senior Kobe Genereux, in his second year of the fire safety program, and Senior Alea Spitzley, in the first year of the criminal justice program, spoke about the benefits of attending the CTE programs and encouraged other students to participate.

Presentation by Plank Committee: Mary Beth Wohlfert spoke on behalf of P-W's PLANK program.

Administrator's Reports:

Instructional Technology Specialist –New security cameras are being installed. Forty nine hotspots were purchased from Verizon.

Assessments, Curriculum and Athletic Director – Boys and Girls closed successful fall sports seasons.

Elementary School – The Elementary School was recently named one of the top elementary schools (74th out of 1492) in Michigan. The after school tutoring program has begun.

Middle/High School Principal - Board members are invited to shadow Mr. Simmons for a school day.
Superintendent –

COVID-19 Update – Zero students have tested positive within the last ten days. We have one staff member who recently tested positive. The Health Department offered to have a vaccination clinic for our students, which Mrs. Goodman indicated that there are multiple places for individuals to receive the vaccination, so we will not be offering a vaccination clinic at P-W.

Strategic Plan – On December 6th, the core group for the Strategic Plan will meet to begin the process.

Fall Sports Programs-Acknowledged the tremendous successful season for our fall sports programs.

December Activities - To support our staff, we have begun Pirate Treasure Days. The holiday meal at the Middle/High School will be Friday, Dec. 3rd; the Elementary School will be on December 14th. Special thank you to Devereux Sawmill for a recent \$3,000 donation for the wood shop.

Communications: (3 minutes per person) Elizabeth Weber thanked everyone for all they do. Margie Wirth encouraged the Board to continue to follow the Health Department and CDC guidelines. Brent Smith thanked the BOE for following the scientific data when making their decisions. Stephanie Smith stated that the Concerned Parent group compiled a list of issues, which was distributed to Board members. The MIFI survey concerns the parent group, as they believe these are parental matters.

Board Reports:

Building & Site: Awaiting the arrival of the asbestos report.

Personnel:

- 1. Accept the recommendation to hire Blaine Sich Business Manager, effective December 1, 2021.**
- 2. Accept the resignation of Kyle Stump, Freshman Basketball Coach, effective November 9, 2021.**

President's Comments: N/A

Action Items

Old Business:

Approve the recommendation to provide a \$1,000 stipend to P-W employed teachers and regularly scheduled P-W support staff, as covered by bargaining agreements, as well as administrators. Stipend will be prorated for part-time staff. *Motion made by K. Thelen, seconded by J. Pohl, to approve providing a \$1,000 stipend to P-W employed teachers and regularly scheduled P-W support staff, as covered by bargaining agreements, as well as administrators. Stipend will be prorated for part-time staff. Motion passed 5-0 (J. Hafner abstained).*

Second Reading of Neola Policies 0100, 0122, 0131.1, 0143.1, 0165.6, 0166, 0167.1, 0167.2, 0167.3, 0167.6, 1420, 1422.01, 1615, 2112, 2261, 2261.03, 2271, 2410, 2418, 2628, 2700, 3120, 3120.04, 3130, 3210, 3215, 3220, 4215, 5111, 5113.02, 5230, 5330, 5330.02, 5460, 5512, 5540, 5610.01, 5630.01, 6321, 6350, 6605, 6800, 7300, 7434, 7440.03, 7540.02, 8402, 8640

New Business:

Approval of Neola Policies - *Motion made by B. Hennings, seconded by T. Schafer, to approve Neola Policies 0100, 0122, 0131.1, 0143.1, 0165.6, 0166, 0167.1, 0167.2, 0167.3, 0167.6, 1420, 1422.01, 1615, 2112, 2261, 2261.03, 2271, 2410, 2418, 2628, 2700, 3120, 3120.04, 3130, 3210, 3215, 3220, 4215, 5111, 5113.02, 5230, 5330, 5330.02, 5460, 5512, 5540, 5610.01, 5630.01, 6321, 6350, 6605, 6800, 7300, 7434, 7440.03, 7540.02, 8402 and, 8640. Motion passed 6-0.*

Approve the proposed band trip to Washington D.C. from June 15-19, 2022 - *Motion made by J. Pohl, seconded by B. Henning, to approve the proposed band trip to Washington D.C. from June 15-19, 2022. Motion passed 6-0.*

Superintendent Evaluation - *Motion made by B. Henning, seconded by K. Thelen, to approve the Superintendent Evaluation. Motion passed 6-0.*

Financial:

Financial Summary Report October 31, 2021, including Special Revenue Account Payable Listing, October 31, 2021

Future Meeting Dates/Events:

November 24-26th - No School – Thanksgiving Weekend

Sunday, December 5 - Holiday Band Concert , Middle School Gymnasium at 7 pm

December 13 – December Board Meeting at 7 pm

Adjourn: At 8:40 p.m., meeting adjourned.



Approved by Jim Pohl, Secretary to the Board of Education