PEWAMO-WESTPHALIA
Board of Education
May 18, 2015
7:00 p.m.

I. President's Call to Order: ***President K. Wood called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.***

II. Roll Call:

Members Present:
Kim Thelen
Jim Pohl
Jason Hafner
Randy Zenk
Kathy Wood
Leanne O'Brien

Administration Present:
Jason Mellema, Superintendent
Todd Simmons, MS/HS Principal
George Heckman, Elem. Principal

Member Absent: ***Jim Hefron***

Public Present: ***Eric Wrzesinski and Deb Rock.***

III. Approval of Agenda: ***K. Thelen made a motion to approve the agenda and consent agenda. J. Pohl seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.***

A. Consideration of consent agenda items
B. Approval of minutes
1. Regular Meeting – April 17, 2015
2. Special Meeting/Interviews – May 5, 2015
3. Special Meeting/Interviews – May 6, 2015
4. Special Meeting/Interviews – May 14, 2015.

IV. Communications – on any matter (10 minutes per person / 30 minutes total): ***N/A***

V. Board Reports

A. Building & Site: ***N/A***
B. Policy/Annual Report: ***N/A***
C. Personnel: ***N/A (in consent items)***
D. President's Comments: ***K. Wood commented on an excellent graduation ceremony and thanked anyone who helped in any way.***
E. Presentation from Eric Wrzesinski regarding MI Open Book: ***E. Wrzesinski discussed digital textbooks for Social Studies. At this time, they are free for Social Studies and are written by Michigan Educators. Mr. Wrzesinski will be assisting in composing the information for the 7th grade textbook.***

VI. Action Items

A. Old Business

B. New Business

1. Accept the letter of resignation from Mary Teachout, Theater Director
2. Accept the letter of resignation from Jason Mellema, Superintendent
3. Approve the resolution appointing a member of the board to serve as the representative and alternate for the 2015 CCRESA electoral body: ***K. Thelen made a motion to nominate J. Hefron as the representative with K. Thelen as the Alternate. J. Hafner seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.***
4. Set the date for the 2015-2016 Budget Hearing. ***R. Zenk made a motion to have this meeting prior to the regular June Board meeting. The Budget Hearing will begin at 6:30 p.m. on June 15. J. Pohl seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.***
5. Accept the recommendation to lay off .5 FTE secondary ELA teacher. ***Motion made by R. Zenk, seconded by J. Pohl to approve this recommendation. Motion passed 6-0.***

VII. Financial

A. General Fund Balance Sheet April 30, 2015

B. General Fund Stmt. of Revenues April 30, 2015

C. General Fund Stmt. of Expenditures April 30, 2015

D. April Activities Report

E. Accounts Payable Check Registers April 1, 2015 – April 30, 2015

VIII. Administrator's Report

A. Superintendent

1. Review of countywide Balanced Calendar forum. ***Discussion of the county wide meeting held May 6, 2015 at CCRESA. Meeting was well attended. St. Johns and DeWitt are very interested in the balanced calendar.***
2. AGLF Update: ***Going well. PW was awarded a grant to assist in this venture. 4th and 5th grade students will be participating.***
3. ***Further discussion of school aid due to recent legislative action.***

B. High/Middle Principal:

1. ***Discussion of graduation and thanks to all who helped.***
2. ***Discussion of the Final After Hours Café to be held May 27. Overall good reports. Final results should be available after conclusion of Café.***

C. Elementary Principal:

1. ***Discussion of food drive coordinated by DK teacher K. Schmitz. Able to help 6 local families.***
2. ***School goals will be reported on Wednesday. Students have made significant gains.***
3. ***Awards ceremony on June 4.***
4. ***Color Run will be May 29, 2015 at 12:30 p.m.***

IX. Future Meeting Dates/Events

A. 5th Grade Graduation – June 3, 2015
B. Last Day of School – June 4, 2015
C. Regular meeting – June 15, 2015

X. Other

XI. Adjourn: ***Motion made by K. Thelen, seconded by J. Pohl to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 p.m.***

Minutes taken by L. O'Brien