

**PINCONNING AREA SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting
April 12, 2010**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Pinconning Area Schools was held at Pinconning Area High School/Middle School Media Center, on Monday, April 12, 2010.

President Cunningham called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

President Cunningham led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: Mike Bauer, Thomas Boetefuer, Keith Bock, Ken Cunningham, Ken Foco, Mike Duranczyk, Gary Yaros.

Yaros removed item E from Consent Agenda.

Moved by Duranczyk, supported by Bock, to approve the agenda as amended.

Roll call: Duranczyk – yes, Bock – yes, Bauer – yes, Boetefuer – yes, Foco – yes, Yaros – yes, Cunningham – yes. Motion carried (7-0).

There were no community comments on agenda items.

Moved by Yaros, supported by Boetefuer, to approve the consent agenda as amended:

- A) Minutes of March 22, 2010 regular meeting;
- B) Treasurer's report in the amount of \$1,090,277.24 and PO's over \$3,000;
- C) Marcy Chambers' Resignation;
- D) Linda Hightower as Noon Aid at Central Elementary;
- E) removed;

Roll Call: Yaros – yes, Boetefuer – yes, Bauer – yes, Bock – yes, Cunningham – yes, Foco – yes, Duranczyk – yes. Motion carried (7-0).

Darren Kroczaleski, Superintendent of Schools, reminded the Board of the upcoming County Wide Board meeting. Noted that the February audited pupil membership remained flat at .42 ft down from September. Reported that approximately 60 kindergarten students were registered for next school year, similar to previous years.

Mike Vieau, Director of Instructional Services, noted purchases will be coming through for computers and other items that are paid for with stimulus funding and other grant funding. Discussed the Talk Early Talk Often program next Monday, April 19. He noted that this workshop is free to register and is also working in collaboration with Standish. Reminded the Board of the PAL Banquet on April 27 to honor volunteers. Reported on the Title audit and thanked Mr. Sanford for his help. Noted that Linwood would be having their carnival this Saturday.

The following administrators provided a report of their building and activities: Andy Kowalczyk, Mark Fuhrman, Jenny Thunberg, and John Sanford.

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Mike Bauer reported that the Personnel Committee met and reviewed the evaluation for Mr. Vieau and Mr. Kroczaleski. Compensation was sent to the Budget Committee. The Committee is looking to move the evaluation to the Fall due to the change in Board elections.

Gary Yaros noted that the Budget Committee met to review restructure of elementary schools.

Moved by Yaros, supported by Foco, to approve and accept Mike Vieau's positive evaluation.

It was noted that this would automatically extend the contract for three years. It was also noted that Mr. Vieau received high marks and performance is well done.

Roll Call: Yaros – yes, Foco – yes, Bauer – yes, Bock – yes, Boetefuer – yes, Duranczyk – yes, Cunningham - yes. Motion carried (7-0).

Moved by Bock, supported by Foco, to participate in the federally funded program "ExperienceWorks".

It was noted that there is no cost to us and the person filling this position would not be an employee of the District.

Roll Call: Bock – yes, Foco – yes, Bauer – yes, Boetefuer – yes, Duranczyk – yes, Yaros – yes, Cunningham – yes. Motion carried (7-0).

Moved by Boetefuer, supported by Foco, to accept the first reading of the NEOLA policy updates.

Roll call: Boetefuer – yes, Foco – yes, Bauer – yes, Bock – yes, Duranczyk – yes, Yaros – yes, Cunningham – yes. Motion carried (7-0).

Moved by Yaros, supported by Foco, to approve the usage of facilities for Camp FishTales as requested, providing that they adhere to the District's guidelines.

Roll call: Yaros – yes, Foco – yes, Bauer – yes, Bock – yes, Boetefuer – yes, Duranczyk – yes, Cunningham – yes. Motion carried (7-0).

Moved by Bock to approve the bid from TruGreen for the 2010 athletic field fertilization at a rate of \$2,340 as presented.

Motion died for lack of support.

Moved by Duranczyk, supported by Bock, to approve the lawn maintenance bid from Coughlin's Lawncare for the 2010 grass cutting bid for Mt. Forest and Linwood

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Elementary as presented at a rate of \$75 per cut for Linwood, \$145 per cut at Mt. Forest and \$40 per cut for the ditch at Mt. Forest.

There was discussion on the cost and availability of equipment to do this in-house. It was noted to watch the schedule of cuttings to ensure need and not excessive cuttings.

Roll Call: Duranczyk – yes, Bock – yes, Bauer – yes, Boetefuer – yes, Foco – yes, Yaros – no, Cunningham – yes. Motion carried (6-1 Yaros).

Moved by Boetefuer, supported by Bock, to move the 6th grade to the middle school for the 2010-11 school year.

Roll Call: Boetefuer – yes, Bock – yes, Bauer – yes, Duranczyk – yes, Foco – yes, Yaros – yes, Cunningham – yes. Motion carried (7-0).

Moved by Duranczyk, supported by Bock, to close Mt. Forest Elementary at the end of the 2009-10 school year.

Roll call: Duranczyk – yes, Bock – yes, Bauer – yes, Boetefuer – yes, Foco – yes, Yaros – yes, Cunningham – yes. Motion carried (7-0).

It was noted that this was a very difficult decision and a lot of time was spent gathering information and reviewing data. Information will be on the website of the process.

Public comment was made by Keith Wetters who publicly recognized and thanked by name, each of the staff members who work at Mt. Forest Elementary.

Board Discussion: Ken Foco noted the masonry job was not acceptable in the new gym. He also noted he will check to see if the window was done properly.

Ken Cunningham asked for the goals from the Board for the Superintendent.

Moved by Duranczyk, supported by Bock, to move into closed session for the purpose of student disciplinary hearing pursuant to OMA 15.268 Section 8b.

Meeting moved into closed session at 7:37 p.m. and reconvened at 7:41 p.m.

Members present: Mike Bauer, Thomas Boetefuer, Keith Bock, Ken Cunningham, Ken Foco, Mike Duranczyk, Gary Yaros.

Moved by Boetefuer, supported by Duranczyk, to suspend student 09-10-04 for 10 days.

Roll Call: Boetefuer – yes, Duranczyk – yes, Bauer – yes, Bock – yes, Foco – yes, Yaros – yes, Cunningham – yes. Motion carried (7-0).

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

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Approved

Thomas Boetefuer
Board Secretary