

Minutes, Regular Meeting, March 13, 2018, 6:30 P.M., Piketon High School

Roll Call:       Cutler,           Present  
                  Fuller,           Present  
                  Jenkins,          Present  
                  Smith,           Present  
                  Wooldridge,      Present

**18-041 ADOPT AGENDA** Mrs. Jenkins motioned to adopt the agenda as presented by the superintendent. Seconded by Mr. Cutler, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mr. Fuller YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

**18-042 APPROVE MINUTES** Mr. Fuller motioned to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 20, 2018. Seconded by Mrs. Jenkins, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mr. Fuller YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

**Public Concerns**

Jill Thomson addressed the Board. She enjoyed seeing PHS students at the recent Science Bowl competition. She also provided information on plant tours that will be starting again in April.

**18-043 REVISE APPROPRIATIONS** Mrs. Jenkins motioned to approve revisions to the FY18 appropriations measure as follows:

General Fund	\$16,599,470.00
Public School Support	42,412.00
Education Foundation Fund	500.00
Classroom Facilities Maint	133,637.00
District Managed Act.	110,996.00
Auxiliary Services	20,000.00
Public Preschool	74,884.00
Data Communication Fund	5,400.00
IDEA Part B	358,395.27
Title I	823,543.26
Drug Free School Grant	10,694.21
Title II-A	93,494.58
Misc. Fed. Grant	311,277.00
Bond Retirement	655,460.76
Classroom Facilities	69,035.11
Capital Projects (070)	50,000.00
Food Service	699,657.00
Employee Benefits	2,604,641.00
Student Managed Act.	66,896.00
 Grand Total	 \$22,730,393.19

Seconded by Mr. Smith, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mr. Fuller YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

**18-044 ACCEPT TAX RATES** Mr. Smith motioned to approve a resolution accepting the school district tax rates as determined by the Pike County Budget Commission authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor as follows:

General Fund – 3.6 Mills Inside, 16 Mills Outside

Seconded by Mrs. Jenkins, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mr. Fuller YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

**18-045 BUDGET COMMISSION ACTION** Mr. Cutler motioned to authorize the Treasurer to request Budget Commission action regarding excess bond retirement funds. Seconded by Mr. Smith, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mr. Fuller YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

**18-046 DONATIONS** Mr. Smith motioned to accept the following donations:

\$4000 – Fluor BWXT – Purchase smartboard

\$1488 – Shirts N Stuff – Prom Committee

Seconded by Mr. Fuller, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mr. Fuller YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

Mr. Wooldridge thanked Ms. Thomson for her help in getting the donation for the smartboard.

**18-047 APPROVE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** Mr. Smith motioned to approve the financial statements for the period ending February 28, 2018. Seconded by Mrs. Jenkins, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mr. Fuller YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

**18-048 BILLS** Mrs. Jenkins motioned to approve payment of the bills for February. Seconded by Mr. Smith, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mr. Fuller YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

**18-049 RESIGNATIONS** Mrs. Jenkins motioned to accept the resignations of Hope Ebert as Jr. High cheerleading advisor and Jennifer Buckler as Jr. High volleyball coach. Seconded by Mr. Fuller, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mr. Fuller YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

**18-050 CLASSIFIED SUBS** Mr. Cutler motioned to employ Ashley Phipps and Misty MacCrae as classified substitutes. Seconded by Mr. Smith, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mr. Fuller YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

**18-051 SUPPLEMENTALS** Mr. Cutler motioned to employ the following supplemental positions:

Assistant Baseball Coach – Evan Ferguson  
Reserve Baseball Coach – Corey Ferguson  
Volunteer Baseball Coach – Craigen Moore  
Volunteer Baseball Coach – Aaron Lightle  
Assistant Softball Coach – Mark Blakeman  
Reserve Softball Coach – Tracey Lamerson  
Jr. High Boys Track Coach – Andy Klinker  
Jr. High Girls Track Coach – Abby Shaw  
Volunteer Assistant Jr. High Track – Stephanie Klinker

Seconded by Mr. Smith, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mr. Fuller YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

**18-052 VARSITY TRACK COACH** Mr. Smith motioned to employ Ally Shaw as HS Girls Track Coach. Seconded by Mrs. Jenkins, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mr. Fuller YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

**18-053 ASST TRACK COACH** Mr. Cutler motioned to employ Mike Martin as HS Assistant Track Coach. This motion failed due to lack of a second.

**18-054 SUB TEACHER LIST** Mr. Smith motioned to approve additions to the substitute teacher list. Seconded by Mrs. Jenkins, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mr. Fuller YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

### **Administrator Reports**

Mr. Reuter reported that he received a positive response from students at Fairfield HS that visited PHS as part of the Culture Tour provided by Jostens. An officer from the OUPD came in to do an interactive safety drill. Mr. Wooldridge also referred to the safety drill earlier in the year in which students left campus and met at the police station as the check in location.

Mrs. Jenkins expressed concerns about traffic in the rear of the high school during dismissal. Students are not paying attention when leaving the building and parents are not stopping for students in the crosswalk.

Mrs. Conley reported that she and Mrs. Brust finished and submitted the Striving Readers Grant. She is still waiting to hear information from the recent state diagnostic review. The PTO finished a discount card fundraiser. Scioto Paint Valley Mental Health is coming in daily to provide character education classes. Redstreak Pride Night is April 5. Jasper will be holding a "Run, Hide, Fight" safety drill at the end of the month. Mr. Wooldridge asked what that entails. Mrs. Conley was concerned that her students did not know what to do in an emergency. She read about Ohio State adopting the "Run, Hide, Fight" model. She had a drill earlier that taught the students to hide and then evacuate to a meeting place.

Mrs. Legg provided an update on Breakfast in the Classroom. PHS has increased participation from 15% to 51%. It has taken a month to settle in to the program and the cooks have an assembly process that works for them. Zahns will be starting on March 23. Zahns' participation is currently 28%. The program will start at Jasper in August. Jasper is the most spread out and will be a challenge to design the delivery system. Mrs. Legg is concerned that if she starts at Jasper in May, she would risk a lot of waste of food due to not know how many will participate and having left over food when school is out for the summer. Jasper's breakfast participation is currently 67%. There will be a media event at PHS on April 11 at 6:45am to celebrate the program.

### **New Business**

Mrs. Williams discussed a proposal from The Ferguson Group for project management and grant writing services. Mrs. Jenkins thought we were going to have a meeting to discuss the Board's ideas on possible uses for the old HS. Mrs. Williams was waiting to schedule a meeting if the Board entered into the agreement with The Ferguson Group to let Mrs. Chandler steer the discussion. Mr. Wooldridge is confused because we were trying to get the sports teams out of the old HS but now we are talking about renovating the old HS and putting in office spaces. Mr. Fuller stated that his understanding is that this proposal is to pursue a grant for a feasibility study to determine if it is possible to renovate the building and if so, for what purpose. Mrs. Chandler stated that the goal is to obtain a USDA Technical Assistance grant to get a preliminary engineering report and feasibility study. Mrs. Chandler discussed options available to the Board through the feasibility study. Dr. Burkitt asked if the market analysis would help us to determine if office space makes sense in a portion of the building. Mrs. Chandler responded that it would be an important part of developing any grant application. Mrs. Jenkins asked how much funds are available in the grants included in the proposal. Mrs. Chandler responded that the Technical Assistance grant goes up to \$400,000. The steering committee meeting will help determine which grants to pursue. Mrs. Williams clarified that Scioto Valley would be using The Ferguson Group for assistance in obtaining

a grant to pay for the feasibility study. Mrs. Jenkins asked if the cost of The Ferguson Group could be an indirect cost within the grant. Mrs. Chandler responded that she does not think that is possible with the USDA grant. Mrs. Chandler stated that the contract for services with The Ferguson Group could contain language that allows for termination at any time with 30-day notice if the timing is not right for our project. Mr. Wooldridge asked questions about office space. Mrs. Williams explained that we could not get a grant to build a new, freestanding structure for the sports teams to use. However, we can attempt to get grants to renovate the old HS into the space that we need. Mrs. Chandler explained how matching funds would work. Mrs. Jenkins stated we need to find a place for our student athletes to work out in the interim of renovating the building because she is concerned for the safety of the building. Mr. Cutler expressed concern that the footprint of the property is more valuable as an empty lot for future development in case we can ever build an elementary building there. Mrs. Chandler responded that we could find that out as part of the feasibility study.

**18-055 FERGUSON GROUP AGREEMENT** Mr. Smith motioned to approve an agreement with The Ferguson Group (\$27,000) paid monthly, that can be terminated with 30-day notice. Seconded by Mr. Fuller, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mr. Fuller YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

Dr. Burkitt discussed the number of snow days and 2-hour delays we have had this winter and how that will affect the school calendar. Mr. Smith asked if we could cancel spring break to make up the days instead of adding them at the end of the year. Mr. Williams explained that most of the staff has already made spring break plans so that would not work for this year. Dr. Burkitt explained that the students would need to make up at least one day to meet minimum hours standards. The Board wants to excuse the staff for any days that the students will not be present.

**18-056 MINIMUM SCHOOL HOURS** Mr. Smith motioned to meet state minimum school hour standards for the 2017-18 school year. Seconded by Mrs. Jenkins, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mr. Fuller YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

Mrs. Jenkins discussed adding more resource officers. The Board has considered several options including using veterans receive training from Sheriff Reader's office. She would like to see an officer in each building that can go into classrooms. The Board asked for input from the principals. Mr. Reuter needs the officer to patrol hallways and parking lots more than he needs someone to go into classrooms. Dr. Burkitt would love to have multiple resource officers in each building if money was no object. Dr. Burkitt is working with Sheriff Reader's office to pursue grant funding to pay for additional resource officers. Mr. Wooldridge asked if Mr. Reuter needs more from the current resource officer. Mr. Wooldridge sees him in his car and reading his phone. Mr. Reuter responded that the officer is doing what he is asked to do. Dr. Burkitt has asked that the officer be present for morning drop off and afternoon dismissals. The goal of the Board is to add more officers as soon as possible. Mrs. Jenkins asked if there are special funds available to pay for officers. Mrs. Williams responded that some districts run levies specifically for safety and security. Mr. Wooldridge asked how many mills would be needed for such a levy. Mrs. Williams stated that one mill would generate approximately \$150,000. Dr. Burkitt has also discussed the DARE program with the county commissioners and Sheriff Reader because DARE helps fund officers in the schools.

Mrs. Jenkins asked for an update on the repairs to the storage building at Zahns. Mr. Cutler responded that the weather has slowed down the CTC program and they are now hoping to be there in April. Mr. Cutler is not optimistic that it will be done this school year. The Board will wait and see if the CTC is able to do the work before hiring a contractor.

Mrs. Jenkins would like to discuss the plan for surveying parents of students that open enroll to other districts. Dr. Burkitt has a spreadsheet of the students. The Board will discuss at the April work session and plan to make the calls this summer.

**18-057 PRESS BOX REPAIRS** Mr. Cutler motioned to approve a quote from WE Contracting for work on the football press box (\$17,300). Seconded by Mrs. Jenkins, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mr. Fuller YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

**18-058 EXECUTIVE SESSION** Mrs. Jenkins motioned to enter into executive session to consider the employment of public employees and to consider the discipline of a public employee. Seconded by Mrs. Jenkins, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mr. Fuller YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

Upon return to open session:

**18-059 OPEN SESSION** Mr. Fuller motioned to return to open session. Seconded by Mr. Smith, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mr. Fuller YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

**18-060 ADJOURN** Mr. Cutler moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mrs. Jenkins, and on a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mr. Fuller YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.