

HANCOCK COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

December 8, 2014

The Hancock County Board of Education met on Monday, December 8, 2014, in the Board Office, New Cumberland, commencing at 5:00 p.m. Board Members present: Patsy Brancazio, Michelle Chappell, Toni Hinerman, John Manypenny, and Jerry Durante, President.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the regular meeting of November 24, 2014, special meeting of December 1, 2014, and the special meeting of December 2, 2014, were presented for approval.

Michelle Chappell moved and was supported by Toni Hinerman that the minutes be approved.

Motion Carried: Brancazio, Chappell, Hinerman, Manypenny, and Durante, President.

CALLERS

None

INFORMATION

1. JDR IV Career Center Update – Devon Chadwick

Devon Chadwick, student at the JDR IV Career Center gave a report regarding a group of students from the JDR IV Career Center that traveled to Charleston at the request of Dr. D'Antoni from the State Department. The students were able to tour the Capitol, take part in making a commercial, and stayed at a wonderful hotel. Devon stated that he is taking the welding course at the Career Center and with the simulated work place, it gives him the ability to see what an actual work place consists of, he has to punch a time clock when he arrives and when he leaves, he was given different duties to uphold, has a uniform to wear and is subject to random drug testing.

Miss Smith stated that the Career Center had a float in the both the Weirton and Chester Christmas parades. The float won second place in the Weirton Christmas Parade.

2. Update on Bond Call Projects -- Ron Blatt

Mr. Blatt gave an update on the demolition of the three elementary schools. Broadview's building is down, the crusher will be arriving very soon to crush all the bricks/materials. This will separate the metal from the pile and the crushed up bricks will be used in the fill, while the metal will be recycled. Mr. Blatt stated that he will be meeting with Miss Smith to discuss a footer problem at Broadview's site, there is a footer down really deep that was not indicated on the drawings.

The abatement is completed at Weirton Heights Elementary, just waiting for the utilities to be turned off. Liberty will be the last school to be demolished.

Miss Smith stated that winter is here and this year Hancock County Schools will be doing things a little different. State Law requires students to attend school 180 full days, so Hancock County Schools will not have the luxury of two-hour delays. Miss Smith stated that we will have to take serious steps to make sure the buses have their chains on. Miss Smith stated that ultimately the parents will have the final say as to whether or not to send their children to school. Miss Smith reminded everyone that we have to make up every snow day. Mrs. Chappell asked what is the time that schools will be cancelled and how would parents be notified.

Miss Smith stated that notification will be given by school messenger, local radio and TV stations and she will try her best to notify everyone no later than 5:30 a.m. Mr. Durante reminded everyone that there is no end date at the beginning of June like in years past, students could make up snow days until the 30th of June, and that student's safety is our first consideration.

Miss Smith stated that tomorrow, December 9, 2014 at Weir High, Hancock County Schools will be honoring students from the southern end of the county, who scored distinguished on the Westest. Students from the northern end of the county will be honored Wed., December 10th at Oak Glen High School. Miss Smith stated that Weirton Medical Center is sponsoring this awards ceremony.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

A. PERSONNEL

1. ASSIGNMENTS -- COACHING -- CERTIFIED

It is recommended that the following assignments be approved, effective the 2014-15 school year. Those individuals with an asterisk (*) have met state guidelines established for non-certified personnel employed in coaching activities.

OAK GLEN HIGH SCHOOL

Wrestling Assistant, Non-paid	Steven Flowers*
Girls' and Boys' Basketball Scorebook Keeper, Non-paid	Michael Staley
Girls' and Boys' Basketball Scorekeeper, Non-paid	Gary Mooney*

WEIR HIGH SCHOOL

Girls' Track Assistant, Non-paid	Tom Apesos*
Girls' Track Assistant, Non-paid	Tracy Schoolcraft*

2. ASSIGNMENTS -- EXTRA-CURRICULAR -- CERTIFIED

It is recommended that the following assignments be approved, effective the 2014-15 school year:

WEIR HIGH SCHOOL

Yearbook	Natalie Zago
GAA	Laura Holbert

Miss Smith presented items 1 & 2 and recommended approval.

Michelle Chappell moved and was supported by Toni Hinerman that items 1 & 2 be approved.

Motion Carried: Brancazio, Chappell, Hinerman, Manypenny, and Durante, President.

3. ONLINE EDUCATION PROGRAM

It is recommended that the following be approved and advertised, effective the 2014-15 school year:

Online Educational Trainer -- two (2) teachers to serve as OEA's at the high schools. One teacher at each high school who has been trained in Moodle and has developed an online class will be paid a stipend of \$800.00 per year to work with the administrator in charge to serve as an assistant with all aspects of the Online Education Program.

Compensation for teacher (who has been trained in Moodle) to develop online courses:

\$1,000.00 per full A and B class created (1 credit class/Trimester/120 days)
\$ 500.00 for A or B created (.5 credit class/Trimester/60 days)

Compensation for instructing online courses after school -- a minimum of \$500.00 for up to five (5) students and \$100.00 for each additional student up to fifteen (15) or \$1,500.00 maximum.

Funding for this program is through a Benedum grant.

Miss Smith presented item 3 and recommended approval.

Patsy Brancazio moved and was supported by John Manypenny that item 3 be approved.

Motion Carried: Brancazio, Chappell, Hinerman, Manypenny, and Durante, President.

4. TRANSFER – CLASSIFIED

It is recommended that the following transfers be approved effective December 9, 2014:

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Tiffany Hvizdak Kuzma	Substitute Secretary	Secretary II Weirton Elementary School 210 flex days/8 hours

Miss Smith presented item 4 and recommended approval.

Toni Hinerman moved and was supported by Michelle Chappell that item 4 be approved.

Motion Carried: Brancazio, Chappell, Hinerman, Manypenny, and Durante, President.

5. UNPAID LEAVE

It is recommended that the following three (3) unpaid leave days be approved; three (3) days will be personal days:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Bethany Henderson	Bus Operator	12/12/14-12/19/14	Out of Town

6. UNPAID LEAVE

It is recommended that the following three (3) unpaid leave days be approved; two (2) days will be personal days:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Kimberly Yeater	Autism Mentor	2/23/15-2/27/15	Vacation

Miss Smith presented items 5 & 6 and recommended approval.

Michelle Chappell moved and was supported by John Manypenny that items 5 & 6 be approved.

Motion Carried: Brancazio, Chappell, Hinerman, Manypenny, and Durante, President.

B. FINANCE

1. LIST OF BILLS

It is recommended that the list of bills be approved for payment.

Miss Smith presented the list of bills and recommended approval.

Patsy Brancazio moved and was supported by Toni Hinerman that the list of bills be approved.

Motion Carried: Brancazio, Chappell, Hinerman, Manypenny, and Durante, President.

C. MISCELLANEOUS

1. SHORT-DAY STUDENTS

It is recommended that the following short-day students be approved for the 2014-15 school year:
(This is for the second trimester)

Code: SDS/WH/113	SDS/WH/115
SDS/WH/36	SDS/WH/1018
SDS/WH/261	SDS/WH/1022
SDS/WH/158	SDS/WH/123
SDS/WH/187	SDS/WH/113
SDS/WH/310	
SDS/WH/1912	
SDS/WH/1113	

Miss Smith presented item 1 and recommended approval.

Toni Hinerman moved and was supported by Michelle Chappell that item 1 be approved.

Motion Carried: Brancazio, Chappell, Hinerman, Manypenny, and Durante, President.

2. REQUEST FOR OVERNIGHT TRIP

Approval is recommended for overnight trip –Oak Glen High School Wrestling team to St. Clairsville, OH, for the Americas Best Value Tournament, December 29th and 30th, 2014.

3. REQUEST FOR OVERNIGHT TRIP

Approval is recommended for overnight trip –Oak Glen High School Wrestling team to St. Clairsville, OH, to compete in the OVAC Tournament, January 15 – January 17, 2014.

Miss Smith presented items 2 & 3 and recommended approval.

Michelle Chappell moved and was supported by John Manypenny that items 2 & 3 be approved.

Motion Carried: Brancazio, Chappell, Hinerman, Manypenny, and Durante, President.

4. APPROVAL OF INVOICES

Authorization is requested to pay invoices, pending approval of the School Building Authority:

<u>Company</u>	<u>SBA Project</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Gil Thermes Fence Comp.	Weirton Elementary	\$ 15,687.00
McKinley & Associates	Weirton Elementary	\$ 4,535.77
PCS	Weirton Elementary	\$ 32,545.00

Miss Smith presented item 4 and recommended approval.

Patsy Brancazio moved and was supported by Toni Hinerman that item 4 be approved.

Motion Carried: Brancazio, Chappell, Hinerman, Manypenny, and Durante, President

NEW BUSINESS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

COMMUNICATIONS

None

POLICY ISSUES

None

MEETING

Monday, December 15, 2014 5:35 p.m. Regular Meeting
Board of Education
Board Room, New Cumberland\

With no further business before the board, Mr. Durante declared the meeting adjourned.

Gerald Durante, President

Suzan L. Smith, Secretary