

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## PEYTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 23-JT

### Peyton, Colorado Board of Education Minutes October 16th, 2012 Elementary School

#### I. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Nevills called the meeting to order at 7:0 P.M.

#### II. ROLL CALL

Members present: Mr. Bates, Mr. Frohbieter, Mr. Nevills. Members absent Mr. Bond and Mrs. Lee.

#### III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Mr. Frohbieter it was seconded by Mr. Bates. All members present voted "aye" motion passed.

#### IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of September 18, 2012 was made by Mr. Bates it was seconded by Mr. Frohbieter. All members present voted "aye" motion passed.

#### V. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL ITEMS

A motion to approve the financial items was made by Mr. Frohbieter it was seconded by Mr. Nevills. All members present voted "aye" motion passed.

#### VI. COMMUNITY INPUT-None

#### VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT- Mr. Kistler reported that the Ipad's from the Neumann Foundation came in. They will be doing some training and configuring of the Ipad's for the first and second grad students. The federal grants that the district receives have declined. The BOCES budget looks a bit different this year because of that. Specifically, Mr. Kistler said that the IDEA and ECEA grant numbers have decreased by a combined \$38,000 from last year. Even though the budget from BOCES has decreased, the lower funding numbers make the overall BOCES costs increase.

The Affordable Health Care Act- the District has been paying some extra fees already to help fund the AHCA. In January of 2014, the district will have to find ways of getting more affordable health care to the eligible staff. This could mean an increase of \$120,000. Mr. Kistler reported that he is still trying to figure out a way that this will fit into the budget. The lunch cost will increase this year. According to Mr. Kistler, the Federal government no longer wants districts to subsidize their paid meal costs with federal funds. This is something we are being forced to do without any choice or opting out.

The district got a call from Petersen Field they want to donate some computers to the district. The Pikes Peak workforce saw that they have equipment that they would like to donate to the district. There will be 49 flat screen monitors 17 & 19-inch monitors.

#### VIII. BOARD REQUESTS AND REPORTS

**Jr./Sr. High School-** 339 Student Count. Mr. Rea was absent from the meeting he did send in a report. The report is included in the board packet details that the Parent teacher conferences were held on October 10<sup>th</sup>. Approximately 50% turned out. The upcoming college fair will be held on the 18<sup>th</sup> of October from 1-2:30 this is in conjunction with Calhan. PSAT testing will be held on Oct 20<sup>th</sup> from 8-11:30. There will be a junior high science fair on November 1<sup>st</sup> and a drama performance on November 8 & 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. The Jr. high football team won the championship. HS Cross Country league meet was here. The girl's team took 2<sup>nd</sup>. The Volleyball playoffs are next week.

**Elementary School-** 310 Student count. Ms. Graham explained that the Ipad's and Mac Pro and cases arrived at the BOCES. Mr. Kistler will be bringing them out later this week. We will be coordinating training for the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teachers for implementation as soon as possible. The PEP fundraiser cookie dough results are in. This was the best year ever. These funds will be used for a tier one intervention program for the school. They had 149 students participate in the fundraiser. There were 38 students that earned the limo ride to lunch. Total sales \$20,348 the net profit was \$8,873.80. The limo ride to lunch at Culver's was the usual success. Kids loved it. Proceeds will help support intervention programs for ALL students. End of Quarter awards assembly was held yesterday. The elementary celebrated 91 students with Perfect Attendance, 23 for A honor roll, 73 for A/B Honor Roll, the TCAP "hot tamales" for advanced scoring students from last spring, Project Wisdom Golden Rule Awards along with a host of other classroom specific awards for meeting academic goals. Parent Conferences went very well. As always they had an excellent turnout from parents and a wonderful breakfast and early dinner from PEP. PEP is currently planning for the Fall Carnival. They are still in need of corn stalks and scare crow clothes. They are also planning for the

Secret Santa Shop that will be held the week of December 10. Other calendar events are included in the board packet.

**District Advisory Report-** Mr. Eckelberry had their meeting last week. They had a couple of guest parents. They spent most of their time speaking on transportation issues. The discussion items they talked about dealt with the capacity of busses question. They focused on the effective costs of the smaller buses and sharing of routes with other districts for AVP etc. Mr. Eckelberry said a lot of these have already been addressed in other meetings. The group discussed parking permits. The committee does have an email address now. They will try to get productive with their information to get the word out in an effort to get more input from the community.

**Boces Report-** The first BOCES meeting with the new director was held last month. They kicked it off with a tour of the new school and a video presentation of the program. They had a great opportunity to have that experience with the students and the type of people that are able to work that program. The big issue on the agenda was a commitment to move forward with the BEST grant and buying the Gorman center. It's a big facility and a big undertaking for BOCES. It will provide a better place and will be able to sustain better growth. Harrison asked that they move forward with the process. They have had several showing for their current facility. They have had to consider what will happen if they haven't sold the existing facilities. They have looked at the ability to pay and what the districts would have to kick in for a time until they were able to actually sell the current building. This is the first time that the state has done something for a BOCES. If the BOCES building sells they will not have any issues with capital. If they have not sold the building then there would be some charges pushed back to the districts to pay for that. The whole GORMAN building is not needed Mr. Kistler said that BOCES could look at leasing out part of the building to add capital. Mr. Kistler does not know how much that increase would be. The next meeting is next week.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

- A. Quarterly Fiscal Update:** Mr. Kistler presented the quarterly fiscal update. A copy of that quarterly report is included in the board minutes. Mr. Kistler did say that the money traditionally has the accruals shown from the previous year. That is not the case any longer. Those projections will need to be considered at a later time. All board members present voted "aye" motion passed. A motion to approve the quarterly update was made by Mr. Bates it was seconded by Mr. Frohbieter. All board members present voted "aye" motion passed.
- B. Change Lunch Fees-** A motion to approve the new lunch fees to increase the fees by .10 cents per meal was made by Mr. Bates seconded by Mr. Nevills. All board members present voted "aye" motion passed.

- IX. DISCUSSION ITEMS- Bob Robbins (Transportation)-** Mr. Robbins came to discuss some of the questions that were posed by the board members. The September numbers came back and he did clear up the difference between the actual capacity and the real capacity of the bus. The actual rated capacity bus is rated on two kids per seat and permits the bus to have the aisles clear as demanded by CDE. Mr. Nevills had issue with the bus purchases and capacity. One of the questions they got cleared up was regarding the use of a large capacity bus for the AVP route. Mr. Eckelberry said that they looked at the rider ship and the logic behind why they use the specific buses. He cautioned that they have only just begun looking at the issue however; he felt that there is not going to be any magic pill that would fix it. Mr. Nevills said that Bob did a good job to make sure that the kids are not on the bus for longer than an hour. The industry and nationwide standard is one hour. Mr. Nevills said that they always hear that they are better off with the big bus but if they factor in the rider ship this is a big concern. Nevills felt that it is something that they have to address and see if there is an actual way to get more efficient with the bus. Mr. Nevills asked Mr. Robbins if he had done any studies to see what the other districts rider ship is. Mr. Robbins said that they did share that information with the larger districts such as D11 and D49. The smaller districts do not participate in the transportation meetings. Mr. Nevills said to compare our district with a larger one is unfair. Mr. Robbins does compare us to Manitou which is close to our district size and mileage. Their routes are fairly close in length to Peyton. Mr. Robbins uses the historical data from CDE and they can compare cost per mile, cost per student. Mr. Nevills said that transportation is such a huge part of our budget. They need to look at what can be accomplished more efficiently. Mr. Kistler suggested looking at what the cost and savings comparison would be to reduce one route. What would the time increase be? In the long run Mr. Kistler isn't sure if it would be more cost effective to charge students. National standard for transportation is 54% he stressed that we are not real far from that. He believes that we need to look at transportation and how to cut costs. Transportation costs have decreased. Two years ago they did cut a route. Mr. Robbins said that they are willing to do what needs to be done. Mr. Robbins stated that he's been doing student ridership counts for years on monthly and or quarterly basis. He's changed this now to count everyday so that he could provide more information for the board. Mr. Nevills said that national averages don't mean anything to him. Mr. Kistler said that they need to continue to come up with more information to look at what the needs and goals are. Mr. Nevills said we need to look at what the end result and need is. Mr. Robbins said if the district changed walk distance from 1 mile to 1.5 miles that takes out the full town of Peyton. With consolidated stops you still have to look at what the walk. Stops add time. If they are trying to stay at the 60 minute. They have to consider the walking path and distance. Elbert, Judge Orr, Eastonville, other roads are dangerous he doesn't want student's walking on those roads.

Mr. Bates, said that a target of 75% rider ship is really only cutting one route. Mr. Bates doesn't want to save money by pushing kids off the bus. It will be a tough task. Mr. Kistler said that as you get more kids on the bus the more discipline issue that arises. Mr. Nevills wants to look at a number of factors. Safety, discipline, etc. Activities are programs not related to school education purposes. Field trips are classroom activity. Mr. Bates says buses are a privilege. All, activities are none reimbursable by CDE. Mr. Robbins has that figure broken down by mileage and salary done according to the CDE formula. Mr. Robbins said that our district does not charge back to the school for activities. We are an exception. Mr. Kistler said that the money we charge barely covers the officials.

**X. EXECUTIVE SESSION-C.R.S. 22-1-107.**

**XI. ADJOURN- Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Frohbieter it was seconded by Mr. Bates. All board members present voted "Aye".**  
Meeting adjourned the meetings at: 8:45 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVED November 13, 2012.

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President

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Secretary