

HANCOCK COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

January 12, 2004

The Hancock County Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, January 12, 2004 in the Board Room, New Cumberland, commencing at 7:00 p.m. Board Members present: Joe Barnabei, John Manypenny, Ron Daugherty, Chris Fair, and Craig Andrews, President.

The minutes of the special meeting of November 17, 2003, the regular meeting of December 15, 2003, and the special meeting of January 7, 2004 were recommended for approval.

John Manypenny moved and was supported by Joe Barnabei that the minutes be approved.

Motion Carried: Vote yes: Barnabei, Manypenny, Daugherty, Fair, and Andrews, President.

INFORMATION

A. Student/Staff Recognition

Josh Oyster, Oak Glen reported that finals are just a few days away, scholarships are available at the guidance office, there will be a financial aid meeting for seniors and their parents this Wednesday, Oak Glen's famed wrestling squad is 6-1, girls varsity basketball team is 5-3, JV Squad is 6-2, both of the boys' basketball teams are undefeated, with the varsity squad ranked 8th in AA ball.

Ashley Sobotka, Weir High reported that the end of the first semester is coming and students are flipping through their books cramming for their test, D. Littleton scored perfect on his ACT, scholarships are also available, OVACS for swimming and wrestling are coming up, the drama club is collecting money for their New York City trip, January 21, the drama club will be taking a trip to Pittsburgh to see the musical "West Side Story", the school yearbook made a goal this year to collect \$10,000 in ads and so far this year they have a total of just a little over \$9,000.00.

B. Update/New Oak Glen Middle School

Mr. Kaser stated that because of weather last Tuesday the block layers were sent home, Gas company has decided to move the original area for the gas meter closer to the school itself, they will be responsible for the lines to the meter, January 21 a meeting for the new staff of Oak Glen Middle School has been set, with individual grade meetings starting February 3. Mr. Barnabei asked if the gas company had to go under Golden Bear drive and if so, maybe it can be repaved. Mr. Kaser stated that it hasn't been repaired since it was laid in 1963. Mr. Daugherty stated that the parking area behind Oak Glen High School and the road leading up to it is what should be black topped. Mr. Kaser stated that he has spoken to McKinley's about this and they are going to have a drawing showing the drainage needed and that type of information, there is money set aside for this. Mr. Andrews asked if the entrance to the drive was going to be widened. Mr. Kaser stated that he felt there might be a need for this and will check into it. Mr. Kaser stated that parking areas at Weir High, Weir Middle, Career Center and Oak Glen all need looked into.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

A. FINANCE

1. List of Bills

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

Mr. Kaser presented the first list of bills and recommended approval.

Joe Barnabei moved and was supported by Chris Fair that the first list of bills be approved.

Motion Carried: Vote yes: Barnabei, Manypenny, Daugherty, Fair, and Andrews, President.

B. MISCELLANEOUS

1. Student Release

It is recommended that the following student releases be approved, for the 2003-04 school year.

CODE: HCXRW

Mr. Kaser presented item 1 and recommended approval.

Chris Fair moved and was supported by John Manypenny that item 1 be approved.

Motion Carried: Vote yes: Barnabei, Manypenny, Daugherty, Fair, and Andrews, President.

2. Approval of Invoices

Request authorization to pay invoices pending approval of the School Building Authority.

<u>Company</u>	<u>SBA Project</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Sayre Electric	OGMS	\$109,350.00
Calaianni	OGMS	\$244,800.00
Scalise	OGMS	\$ 74,848.50
McKinley	OGHS doors/windows	\$ 1,010.00

Mr. Kaser presented item 2 and recommended approval.

Chris Fair moved and was supported by Joe Barnabei that item 2 be approved.

3. Exception to Senior Year Attendance Requirement

CODE: SDS/WH/MO SDS/WH/ET

Mr. Kaser presented item 3 and recommended approval.

Joe Barnabei moved and was supported by Ron Daugherty that item 3 be approved.

Mr. Barnabei asked if starting next year, the mandatory finals start. Ms. Smith said that that was correct; at the Career Center it is mandatory now that students take end of course exam, this year the end of course exam will be given the week of April 26. Ms. Smith stated that next year when this comes into effect, the final will count for at least 15% of their grade.

Mr. Barnabei asked about the Promise Scholarship and the use of weighted grades. Ms. Smith stated that there are some counties that use weighted grades, but that for the Promise Scholarship the State Grading Policy must be used. Mr. Kaser stated that our county has revised our policy to comply with the State Grading Policy.

Motion Carried: Vote yes: Barnabei, Manypenny, Daugherty, Fair, and Andrews, President.

ADDENDUM

4. Request of Overnight Field Trip

Approval for an overnight trip for the Oak Glen Middle School Wrestling Team

Mr. Kaser presented addendum item 4 and recommended approval.

John Manypenny moved and was supported by Ron Daugherty that addendum item 4 be approved.

Motion Carried: Vote yes: Barnabei, Manypenny, Daugherty, Fair, and Andrews, President.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Kaser stated that there is a winter conference for Board Members February 13 and 14, and asked if anyone planned on attending. Mr. Daugherty stated that he would be attending; Mrs. Fair stated that she would call in the morning to let us know whether she would be attending.

Mr. Kaser stated that in the Board's packet there was an invoice for \$499.00 to the State School Board of Education for dues. Mr. Barnabei asked if the Board would be penalized if they didn't approve the additional money. Mr. Daugherty stated that they do a lot for the county boards like scheduling the conferences and keeping the board's updated.

Joe Barnabei moved that the board approve the compensation to the West Virginia State Board Association \$499.00 for association dues. Mr. Barnabei was supported by John Manypenny.

Motion Carried: Vote yes: Barnabei, Manypenny, Daugherty, Fair, and Andrews, President.

Mr. Fernandez updated the Board on New Manchester Elementary water line break, with the help of the custodians, maintenance workers, teachers and staff the building will be ready for students. Mr. Fernandez stated that this was the first this year, but there is a problem at both high schools with the heat. Mr. Kaser stated that he was thankful that a teacher went in early Sunday morning and saw the water or things could have been a lot worse. Mr. Andrews stated that Mr. Kaser was going to come up with an emergency plan for the schools on who to call when something like this happens.

COMMUNICATIONS

None

POLICY ISSUES

None

MEETINGS

January 26, 2004	7:00 p.m.	Regular Meeting, Hancock County Board of Education Weir High School, Weirton
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The quarterly meeting was set for the employee groups, January 20, 2004 at 6:00 p.m. Board Office, New Cumberland

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Andrews asked if there was a need for an executive session.

None was stated.

With no further business before the board, Mr. Andrews indicated that he would accept a motion to adjourn.

Chris Fair moved and was supported by Joe Barnabei that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion Carried: Vote yes: Barnabei, Manypenny, Daugherty, Fair, and Andrews,
President.

The meeting was adjourned at 8: 12 p.m.

Craig Andrews, President

Danny A. Kaser, Secretary