

HANCOCK COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

February 9, 2004

The Hancock County Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, February 9 2004, in the Board Room, New Cumberland, commencing at 7:00 p.m. Board Members present: Joe Barnabei, John Manypenny, Ronald Daugherty, Chris Fair and Craig Andrews, President.

The minutes of the special meeting of January 20, 2004, were presented for approval.

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

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

Abstained: Andrews.

The minutes of the regular meeting of January 26, 2004, were presented for approval.

Ron Daugherty moved and was supported by Joe Barnabei that the minutes be approved.

Motion Carried: Vote yes: Barnabei, Manypenny, and Daugherty.

Abstained: Fair and Andrews.

INFORMATION

A. Student/Staff Recognition

Joshua Oyster – Oak Glen High School – reported that the second semester is well underway, Culture Club made a field trip to Carnegie Art and History Museum; the biggest attraction at Oak Glen has been its stellar winter athletics, several weeks ago the wrestling team won the OVAC tournament and the Spartan Classic; girls' basketball team holds a record of 8-9; boys' basketball team, both JV and Varsity, are undefeated and have been voted #1 in the state Class AA by the Associated Press; Last Saturday, the basketball program celebrated its 40th anniversary by honoring some of the great players of years past; Joshua Oyster was named a National Merit Finalist.

C. Faculty Senate and School Improvement Council

Weir Middle School

Terry McAtee, addressed the board on behalf of the School Improvement Council, Mrs. McAtee reported that all hallways have been painted; additional parking and handicap parking near the field house has been installed; Boys and Girls restroom have been made handicap accessible; \$500.00 worth of books were purchased for the Accelerated Reading Program; in the Spring work will begin on landscaping by the gym and the flagpole; Conferences are presently being scheduled with all parents of students who have academic deficiencies to discuss a prescription for improvement; steps are being taken to ensure that students success on the Westest that will be given in April; all teachers were asked to increase the amount and improve the quality of Writing Across the Curriculum; all teachers attended a session on "I Know" training; each teacher was provided a copy of the Content Standards on CD-Rom and copies of the mapping chart; plan to administer a sample Westest to all students; teachers attended grade level meetings to provide input for additional plans for Westest Preparation.

Donna Durkin, addressed the Board on behalf of Faculty Senate, Mrs. Durkin reported that Eat N Park is their Partner in Education and the first nine weeks points were awarded in the AR Program, Connie Joyce's room won with 190% and was treated to an Ice Cream Party; Library cards were issued to every student from the Mary H. Weir Library, allowing students to learn how to use resources at the library; website is new and improved, thanks to Rick Brown; Staff at Weir Middle helped fill the wishes of some Christmas Angels; Staff donated \$150.00 toward the Mardi Gras to help benefit Starvaggi Park; Spanish is being offered on the 5th and 6th grade level; Make a Difference Day was held; school wide writing event was held, with the winner from each grade level's essays on display at Eat N Park, also the science projects were also on display; Collected can goods for the Salvation Army; Character Education was presented with activities held prior to lunch, Newbrough Photo, Partner in Education, took pictures and gave the student of the month a camera and the photo; 8th grade held a Heritage Day, held a Pioneer Wedding, with every student learning the 1800 dances; learned about their own heritage and parents shared stories and different ethnic foods; students went on a field trip to Independence Hall and Olgebay Zoo, with many students having filled out applications to be volunteers at the Zoo; currently the students are making quilts; Westest Prep is underway with teachers using practice booklets, with the opportunity for after school tutoring.

D. West Virginia Distinguished Title One Schools

Broadview Elementary
Weirton Heights Elementary
Jefferson Elementary

Ms. Krukowski presented certificates to Broadview, Weirton Heights and Jefferson Elementary School for being recognized as West Virginia Title I Distinguished Schools as they met or exceeded the challenging criteria, which is as follows:

- Have been a Title I school for three or more years
- Make adequate yearly progress for three or more years as defined by WV State Board Policy 2320
- Had a proficiency rate of 50% or more in reading for three years or more
- Had a proficiency rate of 50% or more in mathematics for three years or more
- Met all WV Office of Performance Audits accreditation standards for three or more years

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

A. PERSONNEL

1. RESIGNATIONS -- CERTIFIED

It is recommended that the following resignations be approved, effective 6/10/04:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Nancy Cunningham	Teacher (Grade 6) Weir Middle	Retirement
Mary Lou James	Teacher (Language Arts) Weir High	Retirement
Bonnie Johnston	Teacher (Grade 2) Allison Elementary	Retirement
Ronald Shelestak	Teacher (Math) Oak Glen Middle	Retirement

2. ASSIGNMENTS -- COACHING -- CERTIFIED

It is recommended that the following coaching assignments be approved, effective the 2003-04 school year:

OAK GLEN HIGH SCHOOL

Baseball	Head	Joseph Paolo
Boys' Track	Assistant	Bryan Patterson

3. TRANSFERS -- CERTIFIED

It is recommended that the following transfers be approved, effective the 2004-05 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Sybil Queen	Teacher (Grade 5) Jefferson Elementary	Teacher (Science) Weir Middle
Jennifer Loveland	Substitute Teacher Countywide	Teacher (Language Arts) Weir Middle
Janet Zatezalo	Teacher (Science) Weir Middle	Teacher (Language Arts) Weir Middle

4. ASSIGNMENT – CLASSIFIED – SUBSTITUTE

It is recommended that the following assignment be approved, effective 2003-04 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>
Ronald Powell	Bus Driver	Transportation

ADDENDUM

3a. TRANSFERS -- CERTIFIED

It is recommended that the following transfers be approved, effective the 2004-05 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Michelle Ticich	Teacher (Grade 4) New Manchester	Teacher (Grade 6) Weir Middle

Mr. Kaser presented personnel items 1-4 and addendum item 3a and recommended approval.

John Manypenny moved and was supported by Ron Daugherty that personnel items 1-4 and addendum item 3a be approved.

Mr. Daugherty asked how many retirements this made and will we be able to fill these positions.

Mr. Rick Barnabei stated that it is about 10 retirements and yes, the positions will be able to be filled.

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

B. FINANCE

1. List of Bills

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

The list of bills as of were presented for payment.

Chris Fair moved and was supported by Ron Daugherty that the list of bills be approved.

Mr. Daugherty asked about a bill on page one, Mr. Kaser stated that by the code it was a power bill for the Maintenance building. Mr. Daugherty asked about a bill on page seven, stating that he thought we bought ice melt in bulk, Mr. Fernandez stated that yes, they do buy it by the skid, but on occasion they have had to go and buy it on a as needed basis.

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: BCXSA

Mr. Kaser presented item 1 and recommended approval.

Joe Barnabei moved and was supported by Chris Fair that item 1 be approved.

2. Student Release

It is recommended that the following student releases be approved, for the 2004-05 school year.

CODE:	BCXJB	BCXLR
	BCXCD	BCXHD
	BCXWC	BCXML
	BCXJH	BCXTM
	BCXRM	BCXEK

Mr. Kaser presented item 2 and recommended approval.

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

Chris Fair asked about the legislative update where it pertained to this issue, it stated that they may be changing this policy, and if it passes we can not accept these students, and asked if there was any way we can make our feelings known? Mr. Kaser stated that when these students are approved we approved them with conditions. Mr. Kaser also stated that if the board desires he can write a letter or mention this to the legislators. Mrs. Fair stated that she would like to know why this may be happening.

3. 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>
McKinley	OGMS	\$12,939.99
Scalise	OGMS	\$77,319.00
McKinley	OGMS	\$ 1,104.00
McKinley	OGMS	\$ 644.00
McKinley	OGMS	\$ 909.00
McKinley	OGMS	\$ 92.00

Mr. Kaser presented item 3 and recommended approval.

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

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

4. Exception to Senior Year Attendance Requirement

CODE:	SDS/WH/BJ	SDS/OG/EW
	SDS/WH/MO	SDS/WH/ET
	SDS/WH/AO	SDS/OG/JB
	SDS/OG/BB	SDS/OG/MB
	SDS/WH/GC	SDS/OG/BMc
	SDS/WH/MB	

Mr. Kaser presented item 4 and recommended approval.

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

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

5. Support Organization

It is recommended that the following support organization be approved for the 2003-04 school year. Each organization has been provided with the Accounting Procedures for Support Organizations Guidelines and Hancock County Board of Education Policy DIA – Individual School and Support Organizations Accounting Procedures.

Weir High Band Boosters

Ron Daugherty moved and was supported by John Manypenny that item 5 be approved.

Chris Fair stated that there was no information attached. Mr. Kaser stated that this organization has been reorganized and that it must meet the guidelines since Mr. Campinelli initialed it.

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

6. Request of Overnight Field Trip

Approval for an overnight trip for the Weir High Varsity Band to New York City, May 20 – May 22, 2004.

Mr. Kaser presented item 6 and recommended approval.

Mr. Daugherty stated that he would like more information in regards to the field trip before approving this, and moved to table this until the information is given to the board at the next board meeting.

Mr. Daugherty was supported by Joe Barnabei that this overnight trip be tabled until the next meeting.

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

7. Student Acceptance

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

CODE: HCXMF

Mr. Kaser stated that he would like to have this item held for executive session.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Kaser stated that at the board's seat this evening was a copy of the advertisement to go into the newspaper regarding the coaches and the clinic being held, asking if it met with their approval. Mr. Barnabei asked if the entire thing was to be published and Mr. Kaser answered that just the front page was going to be published. Mr. Daugherty asked if it had been approved by our attorney. Mr. Kaser stated that page two had been approved by the attorney.

Mr. Kaser presented the advertisement for the coach's clinic and recommended approval.

Ron Daugherty moved and was supported by Joe Barnabei that the advertisement for the coach's clinic be approved.

Mr. Daugherty stated that with this information they should be well enough informed.

Mr. Rick Barnabei stated that the principal's will also be given this information to pass onto their coaches.

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

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Kaser stated that he had been notified by the State Nutrition that neither Oak Glen High School nor Weir High School will be issued a waiver regarding serving breakfast. We will have to offer breakfast at both high schools, this may alter starting time.

Mr. Daugherty stated that with all the tough weather we have been having that the administration personnel are to be commended for a job well done. They are out at 4 and 4:30 in the morning making these decisions. Sometimes a two hour delay is the best option, and this is for the safety of students and staff. They are making these decisions based on the information they receive and he would like everyone to keep this in mind and hope that they understand that they make their decisions best that they can. Mr. Joe Barnabei stated that there was an article from a retired superintendent that was forced out of his job because of this type of thing; he stated that it is one of the hardest decisions to make.

Mr. Kaser stated that he had received information from the SREB informing him that Oak Glen Middle and High Schools have been accepted into the High Schools That Work Transition Initiative. The schools were selected because of the leadership in these schools. Mr. Kaser stated that we were the most Northern School system accepted.

Mr. Kaser stated that at a prior board meeting there was a brief discussion about block scheduling and Mr. Kaser wanted to make sure the board wanted them to modify the block schedule. Mrs. Fair stated that yes; this is what they wanted done. Mr. Daugherty stated that changes need to be made to meet the needs of the students.

COMMUNICATIONS

None

POLICY ISSUES

None

MEETINGS

February 18, 2004	4:30 p.m.	Special Meeting, Hancock County Board of Education Board Room, New Cumberland Purpose of this meeting: Work Session
February 24, 2004	7:00 p.m.	Regular Meeting, Hancock County Board of Education New Manchester Elementary, New Manchester

Mr. Kaser stated that there was a need for an executive session.

Mr. Barnabei moved was supported by Ron Daugherty that the board convene in executive session.

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

The board convened in executive session at 8:15 p.m.

The board reconvened in regular session at 9:37 p.m.

All board members were present.

Mr. Kaser stated that one personnel issue and one student issue was discussed in executive session.

Mr. Kaser recommended item 7, student code HCXMF be approved. No recommendation was made by the Board.

Mr. Kaser recommended a second time for the board to approve item #7, acceptance of student HCXMF as a student in Hancock County. The motion dies a second time for lack of a recommendation by the Board.

No other action was taken.

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

John Manypenny 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 9:40 p.m.

Craig Andrews, President

Danny A. Kaser, Secretary