

**Minutes of the  
PEWAMO-WESTPHALIA  
Board of Education  
July 26, 2023  
7:00 P.M. Special Board Meeting**

**President's Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order by President Hafner at 7:00 p.m.

**Pledge to the Flag**

**Roll Call:**

**Board Members Present:** J. Hafner, J. Pohl, L Pung, T. Schafer, B. Weber, P. Weber

**Board Members Absent:** T. Anderson

**Approval of Agenda:** *Motion made by B. Weber, seconded by J. Pohl, to approve the agenda and consent agenda. Motion carried 6-0.*

**Bond Subcommittee Report** - The bond subcommittee met virtually with Performance Services last week. Prior to the meeting, committee members submitted questions to Jennifer Goodman to ensure any question or issue could be addressed by Performance Services. Committee members found the meeting to be worthwhile and support Performance Services moving forward. The committee discussed possibly having meetings twice a month during the planning process.

**Communications:** (3 minutes per person)

Alanna George - sent an email last week to the BOE and Jennifer Goodman and wanted to follow up. Questions raised in the email include queries regarding the bond decision making process. Expressed her concern that many administrators have not lived here and may not have the commitment as much as community members who have lived here for years and will do so for years to come.

Dean Schafer - stated our ancestors built the high school in 1961 and it has served us very well. He is hopeful the plans being put together now will meet the future needs of our students for ten to 20 years.

**Personnel:**

**Accept the resignation of Tia Halsted, Paraprofessional Aide, effective July 28, 2023.**

**Accept the recommendation to hire Kaleigh Evans, Paraprofessional Aide, effective August 16, 2023.**

**Accept the recommendation to hire James Lehman, High School Social Studies Teacher, effective August 15, 2023.**

**President's Comments:** Thanked the subcommittee for holding a special meeting to address the issues raised at the July Board meeting.

**Old Business:**

**Approve the recommendation to authorize the superintendent to sign the Design Build Agreement for Certain Energy Conservation Improvements prepared by Thrun Law Firm - Discussion was held and subcommittee members expressed their support. *Motion made by P. Weber, seconded by B. Weber, to approve the recommendation to authorize the superintendent to sign the Design Build Agreement for Certain Energy Conservation Improvements prepared by Thrun Law Firm. Motion carried 6-0.***

Approve the revised Elementary School Student Handbook for the 2023-24 school year (adding the cell phone policy and the paraprofessional aide)- *Motion made by T. Schafer, seconded by L. Pung, to approve the revised Elementary School Student Handbook for the 2023-24 school year. Motion carried 6-0.*

**New Business:**

Approve the sponsorship for Jennifer Goodman to apply for the Educational Policy Fellowship Program - *Motion made by J. Pohl, seconded by B. Weber, to approve the sponsorship for Jennifer Goodman to apply for the Educational Policy Fellowship Program. Motion carried 6-0.*

**Future Meeting Dates/Events:**

2nd Summer Shut Down - July 30 - August 5, 2023

Middle High School New Student/Family Orientation - August 10, 2023 at 5:30 pm, Auditorium

Elementary School Open House - August 16, 2023 at 6 pm

First Day of School - August 21, 2023

August Board Meeting - August 21, 2023

**Adjourn:** At 7:18 pm, the meeting adjourned.



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Approved by Preston Weber, Board of Education Secretary