

HANCOCK COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

August 18, 2008

The Hancock County Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, August 18, 2008 in the Board Room, New Cumberland, commencing at 6:30 p.m. Board Members present: Chris Fair, Laura Greathouse, John Manypenny, and Jerry Durante, President. Board Member absent: Patsy Brancazio.

The minutes of the regular meeting of August 4, 2008 and the special meeting of August 11, 2008, were presented for approval.

John Manypenny moved and was supported by Laura Greathouse that the minutes be approved.

Motion Carried: Fair, Greathouse, Manypenny, and Durante, President.

INFORMATION

1. Honoring of the 2007-2008 Retirees

Miss Smith presented each retiree a plaque and a cookie and punch reception followed.

2. Safety Access Plan – Update

Mark stated that the case work at Weir High is completed and the counter tops are installed. Mark also stated that they won't have the entrances completed for the start of school however; the work will be done in the evenings and on the weekends. August 28th the planters will be delivered.

3. Beginning of School Update

Miss Smith stated that the teachers will be back on August 21st and the students will be back August 26th with a two hour early dismissal. Miss Smith stated that they had training today with 211 teachers attending.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

A. PERSONNEL

1. RESIGNATIONS -- COACHING/EXTRA-CURRICULAR -- CERTIFIED

It is recommended that the following resignations be approved, effective the dates indicated:

OAK GLEN HIGH SCHOOL

Girls' Volleyball Assistant	Emily Kincaid	8/08/08
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COUNTYWIDE

Academic Games	Lynn Mickinac	8/11/08
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2. ASSIGNMENTS/TRANSFERS -- CERTIFIED

It is recommended that the following assignments be approved, effective the 2008-09 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Deg./Exp</u>
Jennifer Curtis	Teacher (Grade 2) Allison Elementary	AB/0
Amy Burns	Teacher (MI/Autism) Oak Glen Middle (pending certification)	AB/5

3. ASSIGNMENTS -- COACHING -- CERTIFIED

It is recommended that the following assignments be approved, effective the 2008-09 school year:

OAK GLEN HIGH SCHOOL

Boys' Track Assistant	Trisha Wells
TBA*	Football Assistant
TBA*	Girls' Volleyball Assistant

WEIR HIGH SCHOOL

Girls' Volleyball Assistant	Richard Hawthorne*
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4. ASSIGNMENT – SUBSTITUTES – CLASSIFIED – PREFERRED RECALL

It is recommended that the following person(s) be approved, effective the 2008-2009 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>
Jamie Jenkins	Bus Driver	Countywide
Nancy Wetzel	Cook	Countywide
Mishal Hawthorne	Cook	Countywide
Cheryl Reardon	Cook	Countywide
Cindy Parker	Supervisory Aide	Countywide

Miss Smith presented personnel items 1, 2, 3, & 4 stating that football and girls' volleyball assistants were not ready at this time and asked that they be removed from the agenda, and recommended approval.

Chris Fair moved and was supported by John Manypenny that the recommendation of the Superintendent be approved.

Motion Carried: Fair, Greathouse, 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 that they be approved for payment.

Laura Greathouse moved and was supported by Jerry Durante that the list of bills be approved for payment.

Motion Carried: Fair, Greathouse, Manypenny, and Durante, President.

C. MISCELLANEOUS

1. STUDENT ACCEPTANCE

It is recommended that the following student acceptance be approved, for the 2008-09 school year:

CODE: HCX184
HCX1120

2. STUDENT RELEASE

It is recommended that the following student releases be approved, for the 2008-09 school year:

CODE: BXC101

Miss Smith presented items 1 & 2 and recommended approval.

John Manypenny moved and was supported by Laura Greathouse, that item 1 & 2 be approved.

Motion Carried: Fair, Greathouse, Manypenny, and Durante, President.

3. CONTRACT RENEWAL

It is recommended that Lucas Networking solutions contract be approved for renewal.

Miss Smith presented item 3 and recommended approval.

John Manypenny moved and was supported by Laura Greathouse that item 3 be approved.

Motion Carried: Fair, Greathouse, Manypenny, and Durante, President.

4. RE-ADMITTANCE

It is recommended that the following re-admittances be approved, on a probationary basis, for the start of the 2008-09 school year.

CODE: WHX2020
WMX1223

Miss Smith presented item 4 and recommended approval.

Chris Fair moved and was supported by Laura Greathouse that item 4 be approved.

Motion Carried: Fair, Greathouse, Manypenny, and Durante, President.

5. CHANGE ORDER

It is recommended that approval be given for a change order with Cattrell Companies in the amount of \$16,684.00 See below:

1. OGHS - Add Room – 105 Carpet	\$1,076
2. WHS – Security System Change	\$5,364
3. WHS – Add 3 Security Bollards	\$6,194
4. WHS – Remove Existing Concrete	\$1,257
5. WHS – Make Fencing Revisions	\$2,793

Total Change Order Costs \$16,684

Miss Smith presented item 5 and recommended approval.

Laura Greathouse moved and was supported by Chris Fair that item 5 be approved.

Motion Carried: Fair, Greathouse, Manypenny, and Durante, President.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Administrative pay index

Mr. Durante stated that as a result of an inquiry regarding employees pay increase – administrative staff – the board has directed Miss Smith to look at this index and try to equalize the pay scale. Mr. Durante stated that it will not be an easy task; this pay index has been around since 1991. Mr. Durante explained that the principal salary is also based on the teachers salary scale, and that the board is bound by law to do certain things, and will strive to have fairness.

Mr. Durante made a motion that the Superintendent review any and all legal options to present index so there can be better control no later than January of 2009.

Chris Fair moved and was supported by Laura Greathouse that the motion made by Mr. Durante regarding the pay index be approved.

Mrs. Fair asked if the information isn't received until January of 2009, it will be too late to change for the 2009 – 2010 school year. Mr. Durante stated that he just picked this date because it is almost half way through the year.

Motion Carried: Fair, Greathouse, Manypenny, and Durante, President.

2. Proposed Oil and Gas Lease

Miss Smith stated that she had received a letter from Thomas Varner – see attached – regarding a 5 year lease for the drilling of gas/oil wells.

Miss Smith stated that she is not going to recommend this.

3. Requesting permission to approve change orders up to \$30,000.00 as needed

Miss Smith presented item 3 and recommended approval.

Chris Fair moved and was supported by John Manypenny that item 3 be approved.

Motion Carried: Fair, Greathouse, Manypenny, and Durante, President.

POLICY ISSUES

1. **POLICIES EEAJ & IHA**

These policies are being presented to go out for a first reading with minor revisions.

EEAJ Use of “Remotely Activated or Activating Communication Devices” by
bus drivers
IHA - EVALUATING PUPIL PROGRESS

Miss Smith present policies EEAJ and IHA and asked they be approved to be sent out for their first reading.

Chris Fair moved and was supported by John Manypenny that the recommendation of Superintendent’s recommended be approved.

Motion Carried: Fair, Greathouse, Manypenny, and Durante, President.

MEETINGS

September 8, 2008 7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting, Hancock County
Board of Education
Board Room, New Cumberland

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Gerald Durante, President

Suzan L. Smith, Secretary