

Cross-Campus Web-based Update

HIGHLIGHTS OF SCHOOL BOARD ACTION TUESDAY NIGHT

At the regular monthly meeting of **Tuesday, January 9, 2007**, the school board:

- A. **Congratulated** faculty member **Christopher Guynup** on his recent appointment to the New York State Policy Academy.
- B. **Adopted** updates to policies P-6700 **Purchasing**, P-7120 **Enrollment Projections**, P-8410 **Transportation of Students** and P-9535 **Military Service**, as part of the continuing five-year review of district policies.
- C. **Received** the Superintendent's January 2007 report on **counselor staffing**, as follow-up to a December 2006 board member request, offering comparison with bordering school districts that enroll at least 1,600 students.
- D. **Received** the January 2007 update on **student enrollment** at Peru CSD and the January 2007 annual update on future school year **student enrollment projections** for Peru CSD.
- E. **Received** the January 5, 2007 interim report on administrator requests for consideration of **restored and/or new instructional program positions** for the 2007-2008 school year.
- F. **Received** brief notes from the **January 8, 2007 budget advisory committee meeting**. The committee's mission is to expand school community discussion on the budget development process and proposed spending plan for 2007-2008.
- G. **Completed** a first reading of policy **P-4710 Grading of Student Work**, as follow-up to various constituent questions and concerns during the past year on the topic of grading.
- H. **Received** an interim progress report on grade span examination and suggestions regarding current Peru CSD policy P-5102 **Attendance of Students**, adopted August 13, 2002.
- I. **Accepted** the \$330 donation from the Music Boosters to fund school district participation in the annual Clinton County Music Educator's Association PEAK

festival, slated for March 31, 2007 and a donation of \$500 from the Rotary Club towards the school district's blanket project.

- J. **Authorized** the Superintendent of Schools to sign the annual renewal of the contract between Peru Central School District and Clinton County Department of Social Services, to continue the school-based preventive services to at-risk children, with that function continuing to be housed in the intermediate school building.
- K. **Authorized** the school district extend on a strictly pilot basis through the remainder of this school year the research project with the high school general physics class focused on the **physics of bobsledding**, as an outgrowth of the winter 2006 grant-funded initiative. High school science department faculty members Charles Mitchell and Andrew Sajor are offering to serve as co-advisors without compensation at this time for such an ad-hoc student club.
- L. **Examined** the November 2006 set of **monthly program reports from administrators and operations reports from supervisors**, highlighting various aspects of instructional programs and support operations at Peru CSD.
- M. **Received** the Superintendent's January 2007 snapshot report on **custodial staffing** at Peru CSD.
- N. **Received** the January 2, 2007 memorandum to various school community constituents associated with January 2007 constituent examination of the architect's set of prospective **priorities for buildings conditions survey-related campus repairs, renovations and upgrading**. Use of the legislature's supplemental EXCEL aid and some of the May 2006 voter-approved capital project reserve funds are currently earmarked to serve as the entire 'local share' for such a capital project. The January 2007 constituent review is intended to assist with timely refinement of the set of prospective priorities.
- O. **Received** the **Principal's snapshot reports on academic achievement** of 10th graders and 11th graders, as follow-up to the December 2006 Principal's report on academic achievement of 9th graders, requested by the Superintendent of Schools. Such periodic reporting is in keeping with national and statewide initiatives focused on increasing levels of student achievement among high school students.
- P. **Authorized** the school district establish a **new part-time 0.6 FTE secondary grades social studies teacher position** for high school social studies academic intervention services, as part of responding to increased accountability expectations for school and students, and the high school's subsequent strengthening of timely identification of students who are eligible and in need of such extra help and support for completing Regents exam requirements for graduation.
- Q. **Authorized** the Superintendent of Schools to sign the **renewal contract between Champlain Valley Educational Services at Peru CSD**, as part of collaborative efforts to increase efficiency and cost effectiveness associated with school transportation.

