

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

July 16, 2012

SUMMER WORK

Our staff has been working diligently getting the building ready for the 2012-2013 school year. It will be great to open the school year without working around the renovation project.

ALL-OHIO ACTE CONFERENCE

The main Ohio conference for Career-Technical Educators will be held at the Hyatt Regency in Columbus on July 31 – August 2. Several staff members will be attending the conference this year. As I always say, this association is very important to Career/Technical education.

MID-OHIO EDUCATION SERVICE CENTER ADMINISTRATOR CONFERENCE

The Mid Ohio ESC conference will be held for area administrators at MOESC Conference Center on August 8 and 9. MOESC has arranged a great agenda with some outstanding presenters. This conference is an opportunity for our administrators to obtain great professional development to use in our continuous improvement efforts and network with other school administrators.

REGIONAL CTE ADMINISTRATOR RETREAT

The Regional CTE Administrator Retreat will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn in Toledo/Perrysburg this year on Aug. 6, 7 and 8. This regional conference will include: Pioneer, Four County, Vanguard – Sentinel, Lorain County, Penta, EHOVE and Tri-Rivers Career Centers. Many activities have been planned to create a positive climate for learning together and sharing professional experiences.

HIGH SCHOOLS THAT WORK/MODEL SCHOOLS/ASSESSMENT CONFERENCES

This spring and summer we have used our Carl Perkins grant funds to send our staff to various conferences this spring and summer. These are great conferences. Our staff bring back terrific information, skills, ideas, and teaching techniques.

From the Model School and HSTW conferences, the attendees will share the information with the rest of our staff during one of our delayed start professional development days. This has been a great way to make sure that the whole staff has the opportunity to share in this great professional development.

Our Assessment team continued their training this summer and will continue the training with our staff on Summative and Formative assessments.

PERSONNEL

Last month Laureen Bettac, Support Secretary resigned to pursue her degree in Physical Therapy Assistant. We will be replacing this position by combining two positions, Support Secretary and Welcome Center/Support Secretary. Sherry Young who currently is the Welcome Center/Support Secretary will move from a 212 day contract to a 230 day contract to take on these new combined duties. We are able to combine duties because these positions have changed drastically due to the renovation and technology.

All other personnel items are normal for this time of the year.

NOMINATION OF OSBA DELEGATE

Howard Koons, Board President, has asked me to place this on the agenda. You will nominate a delegate and alternate for the OSBA Conference November 11 - 14 at the Greater Columbus Convention Center.

ADMINISTRATIVE/BOARD RETREAT

The Administrative/Board Retreat is set for August 13, 2012 from 12 pm – 4 pm at The Elkhorn Lake Hunt Club in Bucyrus. Lunch will be served at 12:00 pm and our work session will begin at 1:00 pm. We will be working to develop the 2012 – 2013 Board goals.

The Administrative Staff will meet that morning to finalize our plans for the new school year.

CAFETERIA PRICES CHANGE FOR THE 2012 - 2013 SCHOOL YEAR

Unfortunately with the changes in food service/nutrition mandates, we will have to raise lunch prices this year. Adult lunches will increase from \$2.75 to \$3.00. Student Type A lunches will increase from \$2.25 to \$2.75; and Student Type B (the substitution of vegetables for French fries) lunches will increase from \$2.50 to \$2.75. Jason Fortman, Food Service Manager, contacted the Food Service Departments of our partner schools and the Student lunches range from \$2.50 - \$3.00 with plans to increase the prices of the \$2.50 and \$2.55 lunches next school year.

CALAMITY DAY ON- LINE MAKE-UP SESSIONS

HB 153 allows us to make up three (3) calamity days through the use of on-line/blizzard package lessons. In order to take advantage of this opportunity, we must submit a Board authorized plan to the Ohio Department of Education by August 1, 2012. Each year you need to adopt a resolution to implement a Calamity Day Alternative Make-Up Plan, so this item is on the agenda for implementation for 2012 – 2013 school year.

RESOLUTION FOR JERRY PAYNE FOR 32 YEARS OF SERVICE

We are asking you to pass a resolution to thank Jerry Payne for his 32 years of service and dedication to Pioneer. Jerry has been a great asset to Pioneer. When he started his career at Pioneer, the school was facing a huge deficit and several failed levy attempts. Jerry worked very hard to return the budget to a healthy state. Even today in these poor economic times, Jerry continues to provide Pioneer with a solid budget. Jerry will be dearly missed!! We wish Jerry a very relaxing and much deserved retirement!!