

**RECORDS AND PROCEEDINGS**  
**Pocahontas Public Schools**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
January 15, 2018

Board Members Present: Chuck Andrews, President; Gary Cole, Vice President; Dr. Mike Davis, DVM, Secretary; James Chester and Judy McClain

Others Present: Daryl Blaxton, Brandon Smith and Bill Endicott, Press

Item 1: Call to Order

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the high school business building. All board members were present.

Item 2: Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Dr. Mike Davis, DVM, seconded by Gary Cole, the board voted 5-0 to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting on December 18, 2017.

Item 3: Approval of Financial Statements

On a motion by Judy McClain, seconded by James Chester, the board voted 5-0 to approve the financial statements for the Pocahontas School District for the month of December 2017.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Item 4: 2018 School Board Election

On a motion by Dr. Mike Davis, DVM, seconded by James Chester, the board voted 5-0 to approve a resolution setting the 2018 board election to coincide with the general election in November.

Item 5: Presentation of 2018 Six Year Facilities Plan Submission

On a motion by Judy McClain, seconded by Dr. Mike Davis, DVM, the board voted 5-0 to approve the district's 2018 Six Year Facilities Plan Submission as presented by Superintendent Daryl Blaxton.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Item 6: Board Training Report

On a motion by James Chester, seconded by Gary Cole, the board voted 5-0 to approve the board's training report for 2017 as required by Act 589. There were no compliance issues.

Item 7: Legal Transfer Requests

On a motion by James Chester, seconded by Judy McClain, the board voted 5-0 to approve the following legal transfer requests.

**Out:**

Elianamargarita Sancedo	age 8	to Jonesboro
Ryan Clarkson	age 14	to Maynard
Madison Crismon	age 16	to Sloan-Hendrix

Item 8: Act 1599 Resolution

On a motion by Gary Cole, seconded by Dr. Mike Davis, DVM, the board voted 5-0 to approve an Act 1599 Resolution for Trent Ingram.

Item 9: Approval of MOU with Food Bank of Northeast Arkansas

On a motion by Dr. Mike Davis, DVM, seconded by Gary Cole, the board voted 5-0 to approve an MOU between the district, Trinity Fellowship Church and the Northeast Arkansas Food Bank allowing the district access to food products through the Food Bank for its backpack program.

Item 10: Resignation/Retirement

On a motion by Gary Cole, seconded by James Chester, the board voted 5-0 to approve the following retirements effective the end of the school year.

Cara Bellar - Elementary Art Teacher  
 Debra Summers - Special Education Teacher  
 Sarah Davis - Elementary Music Teacher

Item 11: Employment

On a motion by James Chester, seconded by Gary Cole, the board voted 5-0 to enter into executive session for the purpose of employment.

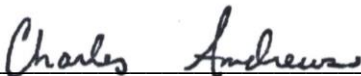
On a motion by Dr. Mike Davis, DVM, seconded by Gary Cole, the board voted 4-1 to extend the contract of Superintendent Daryl Blaxton through June 30, 2021.


OTHER

1. Enrollment Update

Superintendent Daryl Blaxton provided the following enrollment update. “Our enrollment count, as of 1/5/18, was 2,045 students. This compares to 1,895 on a similar date last year.”

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Chuck Andrews, President

  
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Dr. Mike Davis, Secretary