

PEKIN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT #108  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2017

- MINUTES:** The Board of Education of Pekin Public Schools, District 108 held a regular meeting Monday, February 27, 2017 in the Board Room located within Washington Intermediate School. President Spanos called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.
- ROLL CALL** The following Board members answered roll call: Mrs. Frazier, Mrs. Ingram, Mr. Knautz, Mr. Mullis, Mr. Spanos, and Mrs. Vermillion. Mr. Root was absent.
- PLEDGE** Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
- VISITORS** No one signed up to address the Board of Education.
- APPROVE AGENDA** **MOTION:** by Mr. Knautz, seconded by Mrs. Ingram, to approve the agenda as presented by the Superintendent.  
**Roll Call:** “Yeas”; Mr. Knautz, Mrs. Ingram, Mr. Mullis, Mr. Spanos, Mrs. Vermillion, and Mrs. Frazier.  
Motion carried 6-0.
- APPROVED TREASURER’S REPORT AND WARRANTS FOR JANUARY 2017** **MOTION:** by Mr. Mullis, seconded by Mrs. Vermillion, to approve the treasurer’s report and the warrants for January 2017 in the amount of \$3,655,680.53 of which \$1,717,356.15 is payroll.  
**Roll Call:** “Yeas”; Mr. Mullis, Mrs. Vermillion, Mrs. Frazier, Mrs. Ingram, Mr. Knautz, and Mr. Spanos.  
Motion carried 6-0.
- REPORTS** The following reports were presented:
- FY18 Staffing Forecast  
(Mr. Joe Franklin, Director of Human Resources)
  - Summer Professional Development/Curriculum Work  
(Mr. Leonard Ealey, Assistant Superintendent)
- CONSENT AGENDA** **MOTION:** by Mrs. Frazier, seconded by Mr. Knautz, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented by the Superintendent consisting of 3 items.  
**Roll Call:** “Yeas”; Mrs. Frazier, Mr. Knautz, Mr. Mullis, Mr. Spanos, Mrs. Vermillion, and Mrs. Ingram.  
Motion carried 6-0.
- 1-Approved Minutes** Approved the minutes of the following Board meeting:
- January 23, 2017

## 2-Accept Gifts

Accepted the following gifts to the District:

- District 108 Strings and Orchestra Program
  - A Pfretzcher  $\frac{3}{4}$  size violin with case and bow with an estimated value of \$200.00 from Kathy Beal.
  - A German violin, Fusion composite bow, Everest shoulder rest, rosin, and blue molded case with an estimated value of \$300.00 from Mary Lair-Watkins.
  - A Guiliani “Etude” 2014  $\frac{3}{4}$  violin, Guiliani composite bow, Kun shoulder rest, rosin, and oblong case with an estimated value of \$600.00 from Mary Lair-Watkins.

## 4-Personnel

*Nominated:*

- Nominate Sherry Harding, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher at Wilson Intermediate School, for the position of Professional Development School Site Coordinator effective the start of the 2017-2018 school Year at an annual salary of \$70,621 + TRS.

*Employed:*

- Employ Krista Herrin for the position of TEMPORARY Special Education Teacher effective February 28, 2017 at an annual salary of \$37,022 + TRS to be pro-rated for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year.
- Employ Gloria Ranney for the position of TEMPORARY Special Education Paraprofessional effective February 28, 2017 at an annual salary of \$14,094 to be pro-rated for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year.
- Employ Ellen Murfin for the position of TEMPORARY Special Education Paraprofessional effective February 28, 2017 at an annual salary of \$12,898 to be pro-rated for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year.

*Separated:*

- Accept the resignation of Debra Leach, Reading Recovery Lead Teacher, for retirement purposes, effective the end of the 2019 – 2020 school year.
- Accept the resignation of Deborah Edwards, Science Teacher, for retirement purposes, effective the end of the 2018 – 2019 school year.
- Accept the resignation of Candace Walrath, Social Studies Teacher, for retirement purposes, effective the end of the 2016-2017 school year.
- Accept the resignation of Dale Salzman, Teacher, for retirement purposes, effective the end of the 2016-2017 school year.

- Accept the resignation of Susan Foss, 5.75 hr. Literacy Paraprofessional, for retirement purposes, effective the end of the 2016-2017 school year.
- Accept the resignation of Nancy Wherry, 5.75 hr. Literacy Paraprofessional, for retirement purposes, effective February 28, 2017.
- Approve a Family Medical Leave of Absence for maternity purposes for Rachel Mitchell, Certified Occupational Therapist Assistant, effective March 6, 2017 through May 19, 2017 for a total of 49 days, using 20 paid sick leave days and 29 unpaid, leave of absence days.
- Approve a Family Medical Leave of Absence for maternity purposes for Ashley Barton, Learning Center Paraprofessional, effective May 11, 2017 through May 30, 2017 for a total of 13 days using 13 unpaid, leave of absence days.
- Approve a Revised Family Medical Leave of Absence for maternity purposes for Nicole Alexander, Math/Science Teacher, effective January 30, 2017 through April 21, 2017 for a total of 53 days, using 17.5 sick and personal leave days, and 35.5 unpaid, leave of absence days.
- Approve a Family Medical Leave of Absence for maternity purposes for Erin Moseler, Language Arts Teacher, effective April 18, 2017 through May 30, 2017 for a total of 30 days, using 30 paid sick leave days.
- Approve a Family Medical Leave of Absence for maternity purposes for Ashley Geil, Language Arts Teacher, effective April 24, 2017 through May 25, 2017 for a total of 24 days, using 24 paid sick leave days.
- Approve an Intermittent Family Medical Leave of Absence for Lisa Applegate, Network Administrator, effective February 23, 2017 for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year.
- Approve a Family Medical Leave of Absence for Amy Lohrenz, Infant Toddler Specialist, effective February 27, 2017 through March 24, 2017 for a total of 20 days using 4 paid sick leave days, 2 personal leave days, and 14 unpaid leave of absence days.
- Approve Elizabeth Bonk, Nancy Donaldson, Betsy Smith, and Kelleen Ney as Substitute Teachers for the 2016-2017 school year.
- Approve Barbara Ames as a Substitute Paraprofessional for the 2016-2017 school year.

*Approved:*

SECOND READING  
OF BOARD  
POLICIES

**MOTION:** by Mrs. Frazier, seconded by Mrs. Vermillion to conduct a second reading of Board Policy 2:125 and Board Policy 5:60.  
Roll Call: “Yeas”; Mrs. Frazier, Mrs. Vermillion, Mrs. Ingram, Mr. Knautz, Mr. Mullis, and Mr. Spanos.  
Motion carried 6-0.

ADOPT  
RESOLUTION  
17:855  
REGULATION OF  
EXPENSE  
REIMBURSEMENT

**MOTION:** by Mr. Knautz, seconded by Mrs. Frazier to adopt resolution 17:855 regarding the regulation of expense reimbursements.  
**Roll Call:** “Yeas”; Mr. Knautz, Mrs. Frazier, Mrs. Ingram, Mr. Mullis, Mr. Spanos, and Mrs. Vermillion.  
Motion carried 6-0.

AUTHORIZE  
PREPARATION  
AND  
SOLICITATION OF  
BIDS FOR  
CUSTODIAL AND  
CLEANING  
SERVICES

**MOTION:** by Mr. Mullis, seconded by Mrs. Frazier to authorize the preparation and solicitation of bids for custodial and cleaning services.  
**Roll Call:** “Yeas”; Mr. Mullis, Mrs. Frazier, Mrs. Ingram, Mr. Knautz, Mr. Spanos, and Mrs. Vermillion.  
Motion carried 6-0.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

REVIEW DRAFT  
2017-2018 SCHOOL  
CALENDAR

A copy of the proposed 2017-2018 school year calendar and highlights were shared with and reviewed by the Board of Education.

UPDATES

**BOARD OF EDUCATION UPDATES**  
February 27, 2017

**Preparations for the 2017 PARCC Administration are Underway**

The administration of the 2017 PARCC Assessment will begin as early as March 13 and conclude before April 7. This year all students will take the test on an electronic platform.

**Growing Collaboration with PCHS**

Over the last 2-3 years we have been making great strides in our efforts to open lines of communication and collaboration with PCHS. On multiple occasions over the course of the past year or so, teachers and administrators from the high school have visited our classrooms at both junior high schools. Most recently 20+ teachers and administrators from our district toured and visited classrooms at the high school. The open communication has been mutually beneficial to both districts.

**Tentative March Action Items**

- Approve the 2017-2018 School Calendar

**March Reports**

- State Payments Update

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

February 27 (Monday)	Board of Education Meeting-6:45 p.m.
March 9 (Thursday)	SIP Early Release Day
March 10 (Friday)	Parent Conferences/Institute
March 13 (Monday)	PARCC Testing May Begin
March 20 (Monday)	Board of Education Meeting-6:45 p.m.
April 7 (Friday)	Dismiss for Spring Break (End of Day)
April 18 (Tuesday)	Classes Resume after Spring Break

### ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION:** by Mr. Knautz, seconded by Mrs. Vermillion, to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 p.m.

**Roll Call:** “Yeas”; Mr. Knautz, Mrs. Vermillion, Mrs. Frazier, Mrs. Ingram, Mr. Mullis, and Mr. Spanos.

Motion carried 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIA GALVIN, Board Secretary

CHRIS SPANOS, President, Board of Education