

**POCAHONTAS PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BOARD AGENDA**

Regular Board Meeting  
September 16, 2019  
Jr. High Library  
8:00 p.m.

*Dinner will be served at 6pm before the Report to the Public at 7pm.*

AGENDA

Item 1: Call to order

Item 2: Approval of Minutes

You have copies of the regular board meeting on August 12, 2019. Please let me know if there are any questions or changes to be made.

Item 3: Approval of Financial Statements

You have copies of the financial statements for the month of August in your board folder. Please let me know if you have any questions. We are finalizing the FY20 budget. I will ask that we schedule a special board meeting at noon on September 26, 2019 to have it approved if everyone is available.

OLD OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item 4: Update on Elementary Construction by Nabholz - informational only

Item 5: Playground resurfacing at MDW - informational only

John Barre with Barre Commercial Playgrounds sent a quote to resurface the indicated playground area at MDW in the amount of \$34,950. This did not include any equipment. I have contacted the Occupational Education Center in Monticello and they have agreed to build, deliver, and help install a wheelchair swing for \$

## NEW BUSINESS

Item 6: Donors Choose Grant Awarded to April Prevo - informational only

April applied for and was awarded a classroom grant in the amount of \$300 by Donor Choose to purchase extra materials for her classroom.

Item 7: 2019-20 Minority Teacher and Administrator Recruitment Plan

Each district in the state that has a minority student population of 5% or higher, must submit a Minority Teacher and Administrator Recruitment Plan.

I am recommending the board approve the Minority Teacher and Administrator Recruitment Plan to be submitted to the Division of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE).

Item 8: Approval to Pay Staff above their Contract for Work after Hours

I am requesting authorization to pay staff for extra duties beyond their contract for homebound instruction, tutorial, etc. at the rate of \$26 per hour for certified staff and \$14 per hour for non-certified staff as determined by the superintendent. The amounts listed are the same as what was paid during the past school year. This is an annual request.

Item 9: District freezer repair

The refrigeration unit on the district freezer is losing freon from a major leak in the internal cooling coils. Cardinal Supply recommended two companies from Jonesboro to replace the unit and I received the attached two quotes. The district will rent a refrigeration truck at the rate of \$280 per day to store frozen items while the work is being completed.

I am recommending the board approve the quote from ESS in the amount of \$12,260.50. I am recommending the higher quote from ESS because they can start on the repairs Tuesday, September 17, 2019.

Item 10 ASBA Model Policy Manual Continuing Service Agreement

I recommend the board approve the ASBA Model Policy Manual Continuing Service Agreement for the 2019-20 for the 2019-20 school year at the fee of \$2,850.

Item 11: Student Transfer Request

I recommend the board approve the transfers of the following students from the Pocahontas School District to:

Dalton Crow	age 14	grade 9	to Sloan-Hendrix
Justin Jacobs	age 9	grade 3	to Sloan-Hendrix
John Jacobs	age 8	grade 2	to Sloan-Hendrix
Jessica Craft	age 16	grade 11	to Maynard
Jasmine Clements	age 17	grade 10	to Maynard
Parker Cook	age 12	grade 7	to Maynard
Dalton Crow	age 14	grade 9	to Maynard
Karsyn Strait	age 16	grade 11	to Hoxie
Jarrett Thompson	age 16	grade 10	to Hoxie
Addison Wheeler	age 13	grade 8	to Jonesboro

Item 12 Approval of Alternative Methods of Instruction (AMI) Application

I am recommending the board to approve the 2019-20 Alternative Methods of Instruction (AMI) Application.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item 13 Employment

I am recommending the board hire the following as listed.

OTHER

The Chamber Banquet will be held on Monday, October 21, 2019 at 6pm. Please let me know if you would like to attend with district personnel. We will recognize our 2018-19 Teachers of the Year. We will need to adjust the date for our regular board meeting in October. I recommend either Tuesday, October 22, 2019 or Monday, October 28, 2019.

Our school enrollment as of Friday, September 13, 2019 was 2085 . This corresponds to an enrollment of 2064 on this date last year.

Adjourn