

**RECORDS AND PROCEEDINGS**  
**Pocahontas Public Schools**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
February 20, 2017

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

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

Item 1: Call to Order

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

Item 2: Approval of Minutes

On a motion by James Chester, seconded by Chuck Andrews, the board voted 5-0 to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting on January 16, 2017.

Item 3: Approval of Financial Statements

On a motion by Dr. Mike Davis, seconded by Gary Cole, the board voted 5-0 to approve the financial statements for the Pocahontas School District for the month of January 2016.

**OLD BUSINESS**

No old business was discussed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Item 4: Presentation of Field House Turf Bids

On a motion by Gary Cole, seconded by James Chester, the board voted 5-0 to approve a bid of \$40,281 from Hellas Construction for the removal of the existing turf and installation of new turf in the high school field house.

Item 5: Approval of 2017-2018 School Calendar

On a motion by Chuck Andrews, seconded by James Chester, the board voted 5-0 to approve the 2017-2018 school calendar as presented by Superintendent Daryl Blaxton.

Item 6: Approval of 2017-2018 Professional Development/Additional Contract Days

On a motion by Dr. Mike Davis, seconded by Chuck Andrews, the board voted 5-0 to approve the 2017-2018 Professional Development/Additional Contract Days calendar as presented by Superintendent Daryl Blaxton.

Item 7: Legal Transfer Requests

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

- Brent Whiteley                      age 7                      from Maynard
- Alissa Godwin                      age 9                      to Maynard
- Mahala Denny                      age 12                      to Maynard
- Lindsay Tarantino                      age 12                      to Maynard
- Stacey Jones                      age 12                      to Maynard
- Uriah Denny                      age 13                      to Maynard
- Benjamin Denny                      age 16                      to Maynard
- Calvin Mclaughlin III                      age 18                      to Maynard

Item 8: Educator Legal Liability Insurance

On a motion by Dr. Mike Davis, seconded by James Chester, the board voted 5-0 to renew the purchase of the district's legal liability insurance through Arkansas School Board Association and BancorpSouth at a cost of \$7,700. The policy will be underwritten by QBE Insurance Corporation AM Best rated A XIV.

Item 9: LED Lighting in High School Gym

On a motion by James Chester, seconded by Gary Cole, the board voted 5-0 to approve the installation of LED lighting in the high school gymnasium per CCB Energy Consultant's TIPS TAPS contract #7022516 and the attached cost proposal. (See attachment)

Item 10: FY16 Audit Approval

On a motion by James Chester, seconded by Chuck Andrews, the board voted 5-0 to approve FY16 Audit as presented by Superintendent Daryl Blaxton. There were no findings in the audit.

Item 11: Inventory Deletion

On a motion by Chuck Andrews, seconded by Dr. Mike Davis, the board voted 5-

0 to approve deletion of an unrepairable high school floor machine.

Item 12: Resignation

On a motion by Gary Cole, seconded by Dr. Mike Davis, the board approved the resignation/retirement of FACS instructor, Linda DeShaw, effective June 1, 2017.

Item 13: Employment

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

On a motion by Dr. Mike Davis, seconded by James Chester, the board voted 5-0 to re-employ the following staff members for the 2017-2018 school year.


- Charles Baty\_Head Football Coach/Athletic Director
- Anthony Brewington\_Head Boys' Basketball Coach/Asst. High School Principal
- Shawn Carter\_Alma Spikes Elementary Principal
- Harlan Davis\_Head Girls' Basketball Coach/Asst. Jr. High School Principal
- Shannon Fish\_MD Williams Intermediate School Principal
- Lesa Grooms\_High School Principal
- Chris Lindner\_Asst. Elementary School Principal
- Sara Martin\_SPED Director
- Brent Miller\_Junior High School Principal

Other

1. District Enrollment

Superintendent Blaxton updated the board on the district's current enrollment. The K-12 enrollment in the district, as of 2/13/17, was 1,893 students which is 11 students more than the enrollment on the corresponding date from the previous year.

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Judy McClain, President

  
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Gary Cole, Secretary