

RECORDS AND PROCEEDINGS
Pocahontas Public Schools
Special Board Meeting
May 11, 2020

Board Members Present: Dr. Mike Davis, President; Jim Toney, Vice President; Karen Baltz, Secretary; Gary Cole and Judy McClain

Others Present: Jerry Martens, Superintendent; Lesa Grooms, Assistant Superintendent; Todd Welch, Brackett-Krenerich Architects; Nathan Anthony, Andrew Adlong, and Jake Adlong, Nabholz; Brandon Smith, Press

Item 1: Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm in the junior high library. All board members were present.

Item 2: Presentation of Final Schematic Drawings for New High School Project

Architect, Todd Welch presented the Board with the preliminary Final Schematic Drawings for New High School Project.

Item 3: 2019-2021 Academic Facilities Partnership Funding Projects

During the May 6, 2020 Arkansas Public School Academic Facilities and Transportation meeting, the Pocahontas School District New High School project was approved to receive \$9,268,749.75 in Partnership Funding from the Arkansas Public School Academic Facilities and Transportation Board.

Item 4: Change Order Proposal

On a motion by Jim Toney, seconded by Gary Cole, the board voted 5-0 to approve the change order to install LVT in lieu of VCT at a cost of \$14,329 in administrative offices of the new elementary school. LVT tile does not require stripping and waxing each summer, therefore 12 month employees will not have to be moved out of offices.

Item 5: Resignations

On a motion by Gary Cole, seconded by Judy McClain, the board voted 5-0 to accept the following resignations:

- Reche Drakeford – PJHS Paraprofessional
- Keith Smith – Secondary Math and Social Studies Teacher (PHS)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Jim Toney, seconded by Karen Baltz, the board voted 5-0 to enter executive session for the purpose of employment

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Item 6: ESL Positions

On a motion by Gary Cole, seconded by Karen Baltz, the board voted 5-0 to approve the following transfers to ESL Positions:

- Amy Story K-6
- Tonya Hutsell 7-12

Item 7: Teaching Positions

On a motion by Judy McClain, seconded by Jim Toney, the board voted 5-0 to approve the following hires for teaching positions:


- Angela Harrision – 3rd Grade Teacher
- Kathryn Lambert – Secondary Math/Social Studies
- Zach Steele – Transfers from PJHS Science to PHS Secondary Math

Item 8: Transfers

On a motion by Karen Baltz, seconded by Jim Toney, the board voted 5-0 to approve the following transfers:

- Kelly Wright – 5th grade to 6th grade
- Willa Jenkins – 4th grade to 5th grade

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Dr. Michael Davis, President



Karen Baltz, Secretary