

RECORDS AND PROCEEDINGS
Pocahontas Public Schools
Regular Board Meeting
December 19, 2022

Board Members Present: Gary Cole, President; Chad Overman, Vice President; Ruth Holt, Secretary; Brent Massey and Jennifer Rawls

Others Present: Lesa Grooms, Superintendent; Amanda Washburn, Joe Washburn, Carol Massey, Becky Lindner and Debbie Hall, Visitors

Item 1: Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm in the junior high library.

Item 2: Reorganization of the Board

Reorganization of the board officers takes place after the Annual School Election, as required by A.C.A 6-13-618. Due to a board member run-off election, the board will reorganize officers.

On a motion by Brent Massey, seconded by Jennifer Rawls, the board voted 5-0 to reorganize in the following manner:

- Gary Cole, President
- Chad Overman, Vice President
- Ruth Holt, Secretary

On a motion by Brent Massey, seconded by Jennifer Rawls, the board voted 5-0 to name Gary Cole as board disbursing officer.

Item 3: Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Chad Overman, seconded by Ruth Holt, the board voted 5-0 to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting on November 28, 2022, as well as the special board meeting minutes on December 2, 2022. It was noted that Brent Massey was at the December 2, 2022 meeting. Minutes will be revised to reflect attendance.

Item 4: Approval of Financial Statements

On a motion by Brent Massey, seconded by Chad Overman, the board voted 5-0 to approve the financial statements for the Pocahontas School District for the month of November, 2022.

OLD OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Baseball Lighting

On a motion by Jennifer Rawls, seconded by Brent Massey, the board voted 5-0 to take bids on baseball field lighting.

NEW BUSINESS

Item 5: MD Williams Building – Geotechnical Subsurface Exploration

On a motion by Chad Overman, seconded by Ruth Holt, the board voted 5-0 to proceed with soil borings at the MD Williams building to determine foundation issues. The board also suggested that the PJHS building (gym) be looked at as well.

Item 6: Legal Transfers

No legal transfers at this time.

Item 7: Contract Addendum – Martha Holt

On a motion by Brent Massey, seconded by Jennifer Rawls, the board voted 5-0 to approve the contract addendum for Martha Holt for teaching during her prep period from 9/22/2022 to 12/09/2022.

Item 8 : Certified PPC Policy Proposals

The Certified PPC presented policy proposals for approval. On a motion by Brent Massey, seconded by Gary Cole, the board voted 5-0 to table any action at this time.

Item 9 : Resignations

On a motion by Ruth Holt, seconded by Jennifer Rawls, the board voted 5-0 to accept the following resignations:

- Charles Baty – Athletic Director/FB Coach (Effective January 1, 2023)
- Sherrill Moffett – Secondary Choir/Drama Teacher (Effective January 6, 2023)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item 10: Employment

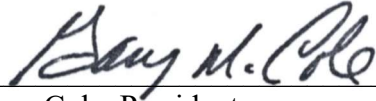
On a motion by Brent Massey, seconded by Chad Overman, the board voted 5-0 to approve the employment of the following:

- Taftnee Cox – Bus Driver (Beginning January 3, 2023)

OTHER

1. Superintendent Grooms reported the district enrollment to be 1930 on 12/19/2022.

ADJOURNED



Gary Cole, President



Ruth Holt, Secretary