

**RECORDS AND PROCEEDINGS**  
**Pocahontas Public Schools**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
July 20, 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; Brandon Smith, Press

Item 1: Call to Order

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

Item 2: Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Judy McClain, seconded by Jim Toney, the board voted 5-0 to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting on June 15, 2020 as well as the special board meeting minutes on May 28, 2020, June 30, 2020, and July 6, 2020.

Item 3: Approval of Financial Statements

On a motion by Gary Cole, seconded by Judy McClain, the board voted 5-0 to approve the financial statements for the month of June, 2020.

**OLD OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Item 4: Student Policy Updates

On a motion by Jim Toney, seconded by Gary Cole, the board voted 5-0 to approve the student policy updates for the 2020-2021 school year as presented.

Item 5: Board Policy Updates

On a motion by Judy McClain, seconded by Jim Toney, the board voted 5-0 to approve the board policy updates for the 2020-2021 school year as presented.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Item 6: ACT 1599 Resolutions

On a motion by Gary Cole, seconded by Jim Toney, the board voted 5-0 to approve the attached ACT 1599 Resolutions for the 2020-2021 school year.

Item 7: Technology for New Elementary School

On a motion by Gary Cole, seconded by Judy McClain, the board voted 5-0 to approve the purchase of technology needs for the new elementary building per quote from CDW-G in the amount of \$242,286.63.

Item 8: Purchase of Math Materials

On a motion by Jim Toney, seconded by Judy McClain, the board voted 5-0 to approve the purchase of Everyday Math student curriculum materials for students, grades 4-6 and digital management and resource tools for teachers per the quote from McGraw-Hill. The purchase cost is \$39,916.74.

Item 9: Legal Transfers

On a motion by Gary Cole, seconded by Jim Toney, the board voted 5-0 to approve the following transfer requests:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>From</b>	<b>To</b>
Malachi Hackney	10	4	Pocahontas	Hoxie
Johnny Philips	6	K	Pocahontas	Hoxie
Killian Blansett	15	9	Sloan Hendrix	Pocahontas

Item 10: Annual Accreditation Reports

Superintendent, Jerry Martens, presented the board with the 2019-2020 Annual Accreditation Reports. All school in the district are fully accredited. No action needed.

Item 11: 2020-2021 Migrant Application

On a motion by Judy McClain, seconded by Jim Toney, the board voted 5-0 to approve the 2020-2021 Migrant Application.

Item 12: 2020-2021 Perkins Consortium Contract

On a motion by Jim Toney, seconded by Judy McClain, the board voted 5-0 to approve the 2020-2021 contract regarding the Northeast Arkansas Educational Cooperative Perkins Consortium.

Item 13: Adjustment to 2020-2021 School Calendar

On a motion by Judy McClain, seconded by Gary Cole, the board voted 5-0 to approve the adjusted 2020-2021 school calendar as presented.

Item 14: 2020-2021 School Improvement Plans

On a motion by Gary Cole, seconded by Jim Toney, the board voted 5-0 to approve the 2020-2021 school improvement plans as presented.

Item 15: Medicaid Billing Contract

On a motion by Judy McClain, seconded by Jim Toney, the board voted 5-0 to contract with Veronica Milton with New Dimension to perform the duties of the district's Medicaid Coordinator including Medicaid Billing.

Item 16: Resignation

On a motion by Gary Cole, seconded by Judy McClain, the board voted 5-0 to approve the resignation of food service employee, Lisa Bagwell.

Item 17: Request from Five Rivers Historic Preservation, Inc.

On a motion by Gary Cole, seconded by Judy McClain, the board voted 5-0 to allow Five Rivers Historic Preservation to preserve the class plaques/slabs in front of the high school.

Item 18: Pocahontas Athletics Season Passes/VIP Passes

On a motion by Jim Toney, seconded by Gary Cole, the board voted 5-0 to sell season passes for athletic events for the 2020-2021 school year at the same price as last year. The board also voted 5-0 to issue VIP Passes to senior citizens, age 55 or older living in the Pocahontas district as well as military personnel, both active and veterans.

Item 19: Professional Development Service Contract

On a motion by Judy McClain, seconded by Jim Toney, the board voted 5-0 to approve the Professional Development Service Contract with the NEA Education Cooperative at a cost of \$16,432.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Jim Toney, seconded by Gary Cole, the board voted 5-0 to enter Executive Session for the purpose of employment discussion.

On a motion by Gary Cole, seconded by Karen Baltz, the board voted 5-0 to exit Executive Session.

Item 20: Employment

On a motion by Karen Baltz, seconded by Gary Cole, the board voted 5-0 to hire Amanda Sutfin as assistant band director for the 2020-2021 school year.

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Dr. Michael Davis, President

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Karen Baltz, Secretary