

RECORDS AND PROCEEDINGS
Pocahontas Public Schools
Regular Board Meeting
September 14, 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, High School Principal; Brandon Smith, Press; Kelsey Robinson, Annie Doney

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 Karen Baltz, the board voted 5-0 to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting on August 17, 2020 and the special board meeting on August 19, 2020.

Item 3: Approval of Financial Statements

On a motion by Jim Toney, seconded by Gary Cole, the board voted 5-0 to approve the financial statements for the month of August, 2020.

OLD OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Item 4: SRO MOU

On a motion by Karen Baltz, seconded by Jim Toney, the board voted 5-0 to approve the 2020-2021 SRO MOU with the City of Pocahontas. See attached.

Item 5: 2020-2021 Minority Teacher and Administrator Recruitment Plan

On a motion by Gary Cole, seconded by Jim Toney, the board voted 5-0 to approve the 2020-2021 Minority Teacher and Administrator Recruitment Plan. See attached.

Item 6: Approval to Pay Staff above their Contract for Work after Hours

On a motion by Gary Cole, seconded by Judy McClain, the board voted 5-0 to approve the 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. This is an annual request.

Item 7: Catastrophic Leave Request

On a motion by Jim Toney, seconded by Judy McClain, the board voted 5-0 to approve Catastrophic Leave for Shannon Blackshear.

Item 8: Doni Martin Center Tuition Agreement

On a motion by Jim Toney, seconded by Judy McClain, the board voted 5-0 to approve the Tuition Agreement with Doni Martin Center for 2 students in the amount of \$32,725.00 per student for a total of \$65,450.00.

Item 9: COVID-19 Emergency Resolution

On a motion by Gary Cole, seconded by Karen Baltz, the board voted 5-0 to approve the COVID-19 Emergency Resolution that will suspend any District Policy that does not align to Emergency COVID-19 Legislature and Statutory/Rule Waivers.

Item 10: 2020-2021 Pocahontas Public Schools Comprehensive School Counseling Plan

On a motion by Jim Toney, seconded by Gary Cole, the board voted 5-0 to approve the 2020-2021 Pocahontas Public Schools Comprehensive School Counseling Plan. See attached.

Item 11: 2020-2021 Pocahontas Public Schools Wellness Policy

On a motion by Karen Baltz, seconded by Jim Toney, the board voted 5-0 to approve the 2020-2021 Pocahontas Public Schools Wellness Policy.

Item 12: Resignations

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

- Annie Vance – MDW Cafeteria Manager effective 9/18/2020
- Kim Dunlap – MDW Secretary effective 10/30/2020
- Betty Hunter – MDW Art Teacher effective 9/17/2020

Item 13: Legal Transfers

On a motion by Karen Baltz, seconded by Judy McClain, the board voted 5-0 to approve the following legal transfer requests:

Name	Age	Grade	From	To
Dagan Moore	15	10	Westside	Pocahontas
Hannah Templeman	5	K	Sloan Hendrix	Pocahontas
William Clements	5	K	Maynard	Pocahontas
Hudson Moore	5	K	Maynard	Pocahontas
Cheyenne Moore	9	4	Maynard	Pocahontas
Serenity Allen	5	K	Maynard	Pocahontas
Adin Hall	8	3	Pocahontas	Sloan Hendrix
Blake Hall	11	6	Pocahontas	Sloan Hendrix
Winter Jones	14	9	Pocahontas	Maynard

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

On a motion by Karen Baltz, seconded by Judy McClain, the board voted 5-0 to enter regular session.

Item 14: Employment

On a motion by Jim Toney, seconded by Gary Cole, the board voted 5-0 to hire the following employees:

- Brandon Kazzee – Bus Driver (1/2 route)
- Lacy Lange – 1/2 Time Athletic Custodian
- Katrena Papi – PHS Special Education Para

Item 15: Contract Addendum

On a motion by Gary Cole, seconded by Judy McClain, the board voted 5-0 to approve an addendum to Kathleen Fleming's 2019-2020 contract in the amount of \$1,475.94 for 6 additional days worked.

ADJOURNED

Dr. Michael Davis, President

Karen Baltz, Secretary