

**RECORDS AND PROCEEDINGS**  
**Pocahontas Public Schools**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
December 14, 2015

Board Members Present: Dr. Mike Davis, President; Chuck Andrews; Judy McClain, Secretary; James Chester and Victor Stone

Others Present: Daryl Blaxton, Superintendent; Bill Endicott and Brandon Smith, Press; Lesa Grooms, Dr. RoseMary Weaver

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, with the exception of James Chester, were present. Mr. Chester arrived after the approval of financial statements.

Item 2: Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Chuck Andrews, seconded by Victor Stone, the board voted 4-0 to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting on November 16, 2015.

Item 3: Approval of Financial Statements

On a motion by Victor Stone, seconded by Chuck Andrews, the board voted 4-0 to approve the financial statements for the Pocahontas School District for the month of November 2015.

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

Item 4: Architect RFQ

The board heard a presentation from Brackett & Kennerich the only responder to the district's RFQ for architectural services.

On a motion by James Chester, seconded by Chuck Andrews, the board voted 5-0 to select Brackett & Kennerich as the architectural firm for the district and authorized Superintendent Daryl Blaxton to enter into negotiations regarding a fee structure to be brought back to the board for consideration of approval.

Item 5: Car Bids

The board opened bids related to the purchase of a 2016 Chevrolet Impala. Bids were tabled for Superintendent Daryl Blaxton to ensure the bids met specifications with action to be taken at a later date.

Item 6: Booster Club Request

On a motion by Judy McClain, seconded by James Chester, the board voted 5-0 to approve the annual request from the Booster Club to have \$1 from each ticket sold at the largest football and basketball gates be given to the club and used toward expenses related to the end of year awards banquet.

Item 7: Legal Transfer Requests

On a motion by Victor Stone, seconded by Chuck Andrews, the board voted 5-0 to approve the following legal transfers.

**Requests to Transfer Into the District**

Evan Ealey	age 10	from Sloan-Hendrix
Allyson Marlow	age 12	from Sloan-Hendrix
Joel Marlow	age 13	from Sloan-Hendrix
Ashlyn Marlow	age 14	from Sloan-Hendrix
Katelyn Liscomb	age 16	from Sloan-Hendrix
Josiah Marlow	age 17	from Sloan-Hendrix

Item 8: Technology Purchase

On a motion by Chuck Andrews seconded by Victor Stone, the board voted 5-0 to approve the purchase of an additional 600 Chromebooks and accompanying storage carts from **SHI** at a cost of \$164,925.71. The purchase was made through TIPS/TAPS contract #1062812.

Item 9: Approval of Fuel Bids

On a motion by James Chester, seconded by Judy McClain, the board voted 5-0 to approve the purchase of 6,000 gallons of diesel and 1,500 gallons of gasoline from Home Service Oil at a cost of \$10,980.00. The district solicited bids from multiple companies and Home Service's bid was the low bid received.

Item 10: WageWorks Electronic Transfer

On a motion by Victor Stone, seconded by Chuck Andrews, the board voted 5-0 to approve the district's use of an electronic transfer regarding payments related to employee HSA accounts.

Item 11: Resignation

On a motion by James Chester, seconded by Victor Stone, the board voted 5-0 to approve resignation of Karen Ingram, Alma Spikes secretary.

OTHER

Item 12: Authorization for Suitability Needs Analyses

On a motion by Victor Stone, seconded by Chuck Andrews, the board voted 5-0 to authorize Superintendent Daryl Blaxton to facilitate an agreement whereby Dr. Chuck Stein, past Director of the Arkansas Public Schools Facility and Transportation Division, would conduct suitability analyses of the district's schools in relation to results from an enrollment study conducted by Future Think, Inc. as well as assist and provide guidance to the district in regards to applying for and securing the maximum amount of potential Partnership Funding available to the district in its February 1, 2016 Facilities Plan submission to the ADE.

Item 13: Enrollment Update

The board was advised that the district enrollment, as of 12/7/15, was 1,887 in grades K-12. The enrollment on a corresponding date from the previous year was 1,866.

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Dr. Michael Davis DVM, President    Judy McClain, Secretary