

POQUOSON CITY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
November 28, 2017 – 6:00 P.M.
CITY OF POQUOSON COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Present: Steven Kast, Chairman
Gail Whittaker, Vice Chair
Wayne Holcomb
Jennifer Mosteller
Christy Helsel
Michelle Sheeler
Curtis Brown, Jr., Student Representative
Jennifer Parish, Ed.D., Superintendent
Antonia Fox, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent for Instruction and Support Services
Lenna Reimers, Clerk of the Board

I. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE TO THE FLAG. Chairman Kast called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Brady Prisco, a 4th grader at Poquoson Elementary School, led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag; and Isbella Elterman, a 4th grader at PES, shared a reading titled “Why We Celebrate Veterans Day.”

II. STUDENT PRESENTATION. 3rd grade students at Poquoson Elementary School shared a presentation on The Commutative Property of Multiplication with Manipulatives.

III. ADDITIONS AND/OR MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA. None.

IV. RECOGNITIONS.

A. Chairman Kast recognized Donna Lamprecht as the PMS October Volunteer of the Month.

B. Chairman Kast recognized Susan Northcutt as the PES November Volunteer of the Month.

C. Chairman Kast recognized Brody McDevitt as the Senior of the Month.

D. Chairman Kast recognized Coach Bowden and the PHS Golf Team for placing 2nd in the State Golf Tournament.

E. Chairman Kast recognized Clint Gault for placing 3rd at the 2A VHSL Cross Country Meet.

V. PRESENTATIONS.

A. Financial Update. Ms. Tara Woodruff, Executive Director of Finance, presented a review of the budget calendar for the upcoming FY2019 budget process.

B. Operations Update. Mr. Steve Pappas, Executive Director of Operations, presented an update on transportation, safety, food service and maintenance.

C. Instructional Update. Dr. Antonia Fox, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction and Support Services, presented a review on the DoDEA grants; STEM for All and Project Based Learning. She also updated the Board on the State Board of Education revisions to the Standards of Accreditation and Graduation Requirements.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT. None

VII. CONSENT AGENDA.

- A. Approval of Financial Reports *(Enclosed)*
- B. Authorization to Change Appropriation and to Accept and Expend Funds in Accordance with Attached Request *(Enclosed)*
- C. Approval of Personnel Action *(Enclosed)*
- D. Approval of Minutes of October's Regular Meeting and Work Session *(Enclosed)*
- E. Approval of Certification of Closed Meeting on October 25 *(Enclosed)*

Ms. Whittaker read the Consent Agenda above. Mr. Holcomb made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda; Mr. Jordan seconded and a vote was taken.

VOTE: 7:0

Mr. Holcomb, Aye; Ms. Mosteller, Aye; Ms. Helsel, Aye; Ms. Sheeler, Aye; Mr. Jordan, Aye; Vice Chair Whittaker, Aye; Chairman Kast, Aye

VIII. OTHER MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION.

A. Consideration of Approval of Second Reading of Changes to Policy 7-5.11, Local School Wellness Policy *(Reading File Enclosed)*

Ms. Whittaker made a motion to approve the Changes to Policy 7-5.11, Local School Wellness; Ms. Sheeler seconded, and a vote was taken.

VOTE: 7:0

Mr. Holcomb, Aye; Ms. Mosteller, Aye; Ms. Helsel, Aye; Ms. Sheeler, Aye; Mr. Jordan, Aye; Vice Chair Whittaker, Aye; Chairman Kast, Aye

IX. COMMUNICATIONS AND/OR OTHER MATTERS BY SCHOOL BOARD AND/OR SUPERINTENDENT.

- Dr. Parish: She re-emphasized information on state accreditation that Dr. Fox shared. She stated that there will be changes that will have some impact on PCPS, and that we will have a couple of years to make those changes. She noted that the Governor still has to sign off on the revisions, but she will share more information as changes start to occur. She encouraged parents and the community to attend some of PCPS' many school events over the holiday season, to include choral and band concerts. She shared that it is the beginning of the FY2019 budget process and was happy to say that the local composite index has gone in PCPS's favor and which will result in increased funding. She hopes that with the composite index and our enrollment increase PCPS may not need to reduce the budget by hundreds of thousands of dollars. She stated that the budget will be a challenge but could be easier than in the past.
- Mr. Brown: He presented an update on past and upcoming activities at each of the individual schools.


- Mr. Holcomb: He thanked Ms. Northcutt for her volunteer work. He expressed how proud he is of PCPS students and their continued successes. He shared that after listening to Mr. Pappas explain what training our bus drivers go through, he appreciates them even more.
- Ms. Mosteller: She thanked all the students who presented this evening. She congratulated all the students and volunteers that were recognized. She shared that the schools and food service did an outstanding job hosting Thanksgiving lunch. She wished the PHS football team best of luck in the playoffs.
- Ms. Helsel: No comment.
- Ms. Sheeler: No comment.
- Mr. Jordan: He commended Mrs. Morrison and her work on the program initiative with the veteran's project. He thanked Mrs. Morrison and anyone else that assisted with that project, as it was a very large undertaking.
- Ms. Whittaker: She stated that each month the Board is tasked, in the consent agenda, to accept and expend funds, which includes donations received. She shared that this evening we have some Poquoson Education Foundation members in the audience and she thanked them for their work and for all the donations that have made to our schools over the years. She commented that at one time she was on the PEF committee, and was able to see firsthand the hard work that they do.
- Chairman Kast: He stated how much the School Board appreciates our teachers, staff, administrators, and faculty for all they do. He thanked Dr. Cihak for gracefully handling difficult situations and always putting students first. He commended the sports teams that are going on to playoffs. He thanked all coaches, paid and volunteers, for their time and effort that they put into our teams and for their leadership that they instill into our young people.

X. MATERIAL FOR BOARD REVIEW. There were none.

XI. ADJOURNMENT. Chairman Kast announced that a work session would follow the Board meeting to discuss School Consolidation, CIP, Bully Prevention Update, School Board Meeting Schedule and New Matters by the Board. There being no further business before the Board, Chairman Kast adjourned the meeting at 6:59 p.m.



Steven Kast, Chairman



Lenna Reimers, Clerk of the Board

12-19-17

Date