

**POQUOSON CITY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**  
**December 15, 2020 – 6:00 P.M.**  
**CITY OF POQUOSON COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Present: Michelle Sheeler, Vice Chair  
Christy Helsel  
Jonathan Ingram  
Jeremy Jordan  
Craig Freeman  
Arty Tillett, Superintendent  
Antonia Fox, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent for Instruction and Support Services  
Lenna Reimers, Clerk of the Board  
Cassidy Spakes, Student Representative

- I. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE TO THE FLAG. Vice Chair Sheeler called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Cassidy Spakes led the Pledge to the Flag and read an inspirational poem.
- II. STUDENT VIDEO PRESENTATION. The PHS Symphonic band performed by video.
- III. ADDITIONS AND/OR MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA.
- IV. RECOGNITIONS.
  - A. Recognition of the PHS Senior of the Month, Lauren Lam, by Video Presentation.
- V. PRESENTATIONS.
  - A. School Reopening Plan Update. Mr. Arty Tillett, Superintendent, gave a presentation on the progress of the opening of schools. A video was shared on the in-person opening day for the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders in the option 1 hybrid plan.
    - B. Financial Update. Mrs. Tara Woodruff, Executive Director of Finance, presented a review of the FY20 audit report done by Cherry Bekaert LLP.
    - C. Instructional Update. Dr. Fox, Assistant Superintendent, presented an update on the proposed changes to the 2021-2022 Secondary Program of Studies.
- VI. PUBLIC COMMENT. Shawn Pickford, 9 Bennett Farm Rd, spoke on PCPS sports; Jason Hazen, 4 Rollins St, spoke on the Prevention Project Curriculum on Human/sex trafficking; and Lisa Sava, 17 Wainwright, spoke on reopening schools.
- VI. 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 November's Regular Meeting and Work Session (*Enclosed*)

Ms. Helsel read the Consent Agenda above. Ms. Helsel made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda: Mr. Jordan seconded and a vote was taken.

VOTE: 5:0

Mr. Freeman, Aye; Mr. Ingram, Aye; Mr. Jordan, Aye; Ms. Helsel, Aye; Vice Chair Sheeler, Aye

#### VII. OTHER MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION.

A. Consideration of Approval of First Reading changes to Policy 7-1.2, Equal Educational Opportunities and Policy 5-1.7, Sexual Abuse and Harassment Based on Race, National Origin, Disability or Religion; and First Reading for the Adoption of 5-3.8, Sexual Harassment Prohibited by Title IX *(Reading File Enclosed)*

Mr. Jordan made a motion to approve the First Reading of Changes to Policy 7-1.2, Equal Educational Opportunities and Policy 5-1.7, Sexual Abuse and Harassment Based on Race, National Origin, Disability or Religion; and First Reading for the Adoption of 5-3.8, Sexual Harassment Prohibited by Title IX, and move to Second Reading; Ms. Helsel seconded, and a vote was taken.

VOTE: 5:0

Mr. Freeman, Aye; Mr. Ingram, Aye; Mr. Jordan, Aye; Ms. Helsel, Aye; Vice Chair Sheeler, Aye

B. Consideration of Approval of First Reading for the Adoption of 7-3.10, Restraint and Seclusion *(Reading File Enclosed)*

Mr. Jordan made a motion to approve the First Reading for the Adoption of 7-3.10, Restraint and Seclusion, and move to Second Reading; Mr. Freeman seconded, and a vote was taken.

VOTE: 5:0

Mr. Freeman, Aye; Mr. Ingram, Aye; Mr. Jordan, Aye; Ms. Helsel, Aye; Vice Chair Sheeler, Aye


#### VIII. COMMUNICATIONS AND/OR OTHER MATTERS BY SCHOOL BOARD AND/OR SUPERINTENDENT.


- Mr. Tillett: No comment.
- Ms. Spakes: She presented an update on past and upcoming activities at each of the individual schools.
- Mr. Freeman: He thanked the public speakers for their comments. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

- Mr. Ingram: He congratulated Lauren Lam for being the PHS Senior of the Month. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy, Safe, New Year.
- Mr. Jordan: He wished everyone a wonderful winter break. He thanked the community, businesses and organizations for all their financial support given to the schools. He wished the winter athletes best of luck in their sport.
- Ms. Helsel: She thanked the speakers for coming out to share their comments.
- Vice Chair Sheeler: She thanked the speakers for coming out to share their heartfelt comments to the Board. She thanked her colleagues for their excellent comments. She shared that the Board is committed to the safety of students, staff, and community, and also committed to following guidelines. She wished everyone a Happy Holiday and a Happy New Year.

IX. MATERIAL FOR BOARD REVIEW. There was none.

X. ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business before the Board, Vice Chair Sheeler adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

  
Michelle Sheeler, Vice Chair

  
Lenna Reimers, Clerk of the Board

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Date