

**POQUOSON CITY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**  
**January 18, 2011 – 6:00 P.M.**  
**CITY OF POQUOSON COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

- Present: Scott Diggs, Chairman  
Bill Smith, Vice Chairman  
Mark Bellamy  
Robin Sydnor  
Allan Melton  
Garry Carter  
Beth Ann Wilson  
Mary Amelia “Mellie” Ligon, Student Representative  
Dr. Jennifer Parish, Superintendent  
Dr. Linda Reviea, Deputy Superintendent and Deputy Clerk
- I. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE TO THE FLAG AND INSPIRATIONAL READING:  
Chairman Diggs called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Emma Cannella, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade, PES, led the Pledge of Allegiance; and Trenton Phillips, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade, PES, gave an inspirational reading on John F. Kennedy.
- II. STUDENT PRESENTATION: Fifth Grade Students from PES presented excerpts from their program entitled “Great Americans of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century.” Students from each 5<sup>th</sup> grade homeroom participated, led by Susan Northcutt, Music Teacher.
- III. ADDITIONS AND/OR MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA: None
- IV. RECOGNITIONS: Chairman Diggs, presented Austin Turner, a member of the Football State Championship Team, with a plaque. Austin Turner was injured during the championship game and was unable to attend the December School Board Meeting with the rest of the team.
- V. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS
- A. Financial Update: Bill Bowen, Executive Director of Finance, gave an update on the school division’s budget, and factors affecting the Governor’s proposed budget.
- B. Operations Update: Steve Pappas, Executive Director of Operations, gave an update efforts in the areas of maintenance, transportation, and food service.
- C. Instructional Update: Linda Reviea, Ed.D., Deputy Superintendent, gave an update on PCPS Anti-Bullying Programs and the proposed Secondary Program of Studies for 2011-2012.
- VI. CONSENT AGENDA
- A. Approval of Minutes of December Regular Meeting and Work Session (*Enclosed*)
- B. Approval of Financial Reports (*Enclosed*)
- C. Approval of Personnel Action (*Enclosed*)
- D. Authorization to Dispose of Surplus Property (*Enclosed*)
- E. Authorization to Accept and Expend Funds Reimbursed from the Department of Medical Assistance Support Services (*Enclosed*)
- F. Authorization to Change Appropriation for In-School Payroll (*Enclosed*)
- G. Authorization for Overnight Trip, Czech Republic (*Reading File Enclosed*)

Vice Chairman Smith read the consent agenda above and moved that the agenda be approved as read. The motion was seconded by Mr. Melton and the vote was taken.

VOTE: 7:0

Ms. Wilson, Aye; Mr. Carter, Aye; Mr. Melton, Aye; Ms. Sydnor, Aye; Mr. Bellamy, Aye; Mr. Smith, Aye; Chairman Diggs, Aye.

VII. OTHER MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

A. Consideration of Approval of PCPS 2011-2012 Program of Studies (Reading File Enclosed)

Mr. Carter made a motion, seconded by Ms. Wilson, that the Program of Studies be approved. Vote was taken:

VOTE: 7:0

Ms. Wilson, Aye; Mr. Carter, Aye; Mr. Melton, Aye; Ms. Sydnor, Aye; Mr. Bellamy, Aye; Mr. Smith, Aye; Chairman Diggs, Aye.

B. Consideration of Approval of Proclamation for National School Counselors Appreciation Week (Enclosed).

Mr. Melton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bellamy, that the proclamation for National School Counselors Appreciation week be approved. Vote was taken:

VOTE: 7:0

Ms. Wilson, Aye; Mr. Carter, Aye; Mr. Melton, Aye; Ms. Sydnor, Aye; Mr. Bellamy, Aye; Mr. Smith, Aye; Chairman Diggs, Aye.

C. Consideration of Approval of Proclamation for Career and Technical Education Month at Poquoson City Public Schools (Enclosed)

Mr. Melton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Smith, that the proclamation for Career and Technical Education Month be approved. Vote was taken:

VOTE: 7:0

Ms. Wilson, Aye; Mr. Carter, Aye; Mr. Melton, Aye; Ms. Sydnor, Aye; Mr. Bellamy, Aye; Mr. Smith, Aye; Chairman Diggs, Aye.

D. Consideration of Approval of Proclamation for Anti-Bullying Month at Poquoson City Public Schools (Enclosed)

Ms. Wilson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Sydnor, that the proclamation for Anti-Bullying Month be approved. Vote was taken:

VOTE: 7:0

Ms. Wilson, Aye; Mr. Carter, Aye; Mr. Melton, Aye; Ms. Sydnor, Aye; Mr. Bellamy, Aye; Mr. Smith, Aye; Chairman Diggs, Aye.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

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

- Dr. Parish reiterated the importance of the budget process. She gave budget presentations to each school's staff last week and will provide it to the School Board tonight. The public Budget Forum is scheduled for January 26, 2011.
- Ms. Ligon: Reported on activities at each of the four schools.
- Ms. Wilson: Requested receiving the PHS student newspaper.
- Mr. Carter: Thanked Mrs. Northcutt and the students who presented this evening.
- Mr. Melton: Visited the NHREC Center for Autism at YMS in York County. He attended some CTE events in VA. Congratulated PMS & PHS band students who are participating in district events. He also stressed the importance of fine arts in students' education and how history and music were combined in the evening's student presentation.
- Ms. Sydnor: Had no comment.
- Mr. Bellamy: Had no comment.
- Mr. Smith: Reiterated the praise of the students who performed tonight.
- Chairman Diggs: Stressed the importance of our Anti-Bullying programs. He also congratulated the students on their performance this evening.

X. MATERIAL FOR BOARD REVIEW: None.

XI. ADJOURNMENT: Chairman Diggs announced that a work session would follow the meeting to discuss Budget/Stimulus Funds Update; Financial Report; and the VSBA Legislative Conference. The work session will be followed by a closed meeting under Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia to discuss personnel matters (2.2-3711(1) of the Code of Virginia). There being no further business before the board, Chairman Diggs adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

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Scott Diggs, Chairman

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Dr. Linda Reviea, Deputy Clerk of the Board

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Date