

POQUOSON CITY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
June 19, 2012 – 6:00 P.M.
CITY OF POQUOSON COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Present: Robin Sydnor, Vice Chairman
Steven Kast
Allan Melton
Scott Diggs
David Hux
Kellie Jasinski
Dr. Jennifer Parish, Superintendent
Dr. Linda Reviea, Deputy Superintendent
Mrs. Patricia McDowell, Clerk of the Board

I. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE TO THE FLAG. Vice Chairman Sydnor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.. She led in the Pledge to the Flag.

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

III. RECOGNITIONS.

A. School Consolidation Committee. Vice Chairman Sydnor presented Certificates of Recognition to the members of the School Consolidation Committee and thanked them for a job well done.

B. Recognition of Outgoing School Board Member and Student Board Representative. Dr. Jennifer Parish recognized the years of service given to the Poquoson School Board by departing member Mr. Scott Diggs. She also recognized the student representative to the board as they serve only one year.

IV. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS

A. Gifted Advisory Board. Ms. Linda Bangert, Gifted Education Advisory Committee Chair, presented a summary of the committee's activities this past year. A copy of the report is attached to these minutes.

B. Financial Update. Mr. Bill Bowen, Executive Director of Finance, gave an update on the status of the budget and other activities of the Finance Department.

C. Operations Update. Mr. Steve Pappas, Executive Director of Operations, gave an update on the status of custodial services, transportation, maintenance, and the tennis court renovation.

D. Instructional Update. Dr. Linda Reviea, Deputy Superintendent, gave an update on summer school plans, and revisions to the reading program.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes of May Work Session (Enclosed)
- B. Approval of Financial Reports (Enclosed)
- C. Approval of Personnel Action (Enclosed)
- D. Authorization to Dispose of Surplus Equipment (List Enclosed)

- E. Authorization for PHS to Apply for Membership with the Virginia High School League for School Year 2012-2013 (Enclosed)
- F. Authorization for the Superintendent to Execute a Lease Agreement between the Peninsula Metropolitan YMCA and the Poquoson City School Board for the Continued Use of Poquoson Primary School for a Before and After School Care Program (Reading File Enclosed)
- G. Authorization for the Superintendent to Execute a Contract with Aramark to Continue to Provide Food Service to Poquoson City Public Schools (Reading File Enclosed)
- H. Authorization to Accept and Expend Funds as Outlined in Attached Requests (Request Enclosed)

Vice Chairman Sydnor read the Consent Agenda above. Mr. Melton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hux, that the consent agenda be approved as read. Vote was taken.

VOTE: 5:0

Mr. Hux, Aye; Mr. Diggs, Aye; Mr. Melton, Aye, Mr. Kast, Aye; Vice Chairman Sydnor, Aye.

VI. OTHER MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

A. Consideration of Approval of Minutes of May Regular Meeting (Enclosed). Mr. Diggs made a motion, seconded by Mr. Melton, that the minutes be approved. Vote was taken.

VOTE: 5:0

Mr. Hux, Aye; Mr. Diggs, Aye; Mr. Melton, Aye; Mr. Kast, Aye; Vice Chairman Sydnor, Aye.

B. Consideration of Approval of the Appointment of Student Representative to the School Board for School Year 2012-2013. Mr. Melton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Diggs, that Jessy Spencer be approved as Student Representative to the Board for the next school year. Vote was taken.

VOTE: 5:0

Mr. Hux, Aye; Mr. Diggs, Aye; Mr. Melton, Aye, Mr. Kast, Aye; Vice Chairman Sydnor, Aye

C. Consideration of First Reading of Policy Revisions (Reading File Enclosed). Dr. Parish presented the changes made and the rationale for them. The revisions will be voted on at the August School Board meeting.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT. None

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

- Dr. Parish. She thanked everyone for their hard work this year – principals, staff members and all. Graduation went well. She's looking forward to another successful year next year. Testing scores will not be finalized until the fall. Announced that Dr. Reviea will be departing at the end of June to become Superintendent in Staunton.

- Mr. Hux. Complimented all who were involved in the middle school and high school graduations. He stated that it has been a pleasure to serve with Dr. Reviea, Mr. Diggs and Miss Jasinski, and he thanked Mr. Joe Coccimiglio for his technical work.
- Mr. Diggs. Thanked city council for opportunity to serve on the school board for the past five years, and with 15 different board members. Thanked past and current board members for their work to provide the children of Poquoson the education to develop their full potential to succeed in a global society. To all the staff, “Thank you very much for all that you do.” On the down side, he was sorry to have had to serve during a \$4 million cut to the budget. He closed with the following statement: “Excellence is not a skill; it’s an attitude. Always strive for excellence.”
- Mr. Melton. Thanked teachers for another fine year in Poquoson. He attended the New Horizons C&TE graduation with Dr. Reviea and handed out some scholarships and honors. He thanked Dr. Reviea for teaching him about data driven decisions.
- Mr. Kast. He thanked Kelly Jasinski for a great job as Student Representative, and welcomed Jessie Spencer to the Board. He congratulated the Consolidation Committee on a wonderful job. He also congratulated all the students and was impressed with how they represented Poquoson at their graduation. Scott did an incredible job in leading the School Board. He also congratulated Dr. Reviea on her new job.
- Vice Chairman Sydnor. It’s been a great pleasure to work with Scott Diggs and Linda Reviea. She thanked Consolidation Committee. In her 3 years on the Board she’s never been asked as many questions about anything as she was about the subject of school consolidation..

IX. MATERIAL FOR BOARD REVIEW. None.

X. ADJOURNMENT . Vice Chairman Sydnor announced that a work session would follow the Board meeting to discuss changes to the Student Handbook and Student Code of Conduct, the new Teacher Evaluation System, and the July organizational meeting. In accordance with VA Code 2.2 3711(1), a closed session will follow the work session to discuss personnel matters. There being no further business before the Board, Vice Chairman Sydnor adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Robin Sydnor, Vice Chairman

Patricia McDowell, Clerk of the Board

Date