

**POQUOSON CITY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
MARCH 15, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.
CITY OF POQUOSON COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

MINUTES

Present: Christina Helsel, Chair
Jeremy Jordan, Vice Chair
Jonathan Ingram
Timothy Goodale
Craig Freeman
Cameron Childress
Madeline Hatok, Student Representative
Arty Tillett, Superintendent
Dustie McCay, Clerk of the Board

- I. **CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:** Chair Helsel called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Madeline Hatok, a junior at Poquoson High School led the Pledge to the Flag and read an inspirational reading for springtime.
- II. **ADDITIONS AND/OR MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA:** There were none.
- III. **RECOGNITIONS.**
 - A. Chair Helsel recognized Eleanor Patterson as the Senior of the Month.
 - B. Chair Helsel recognized Shyanne Walker, Anna Hubbard, Rebecca Imbasciani and Meredith Woodruff as All-Virginia Chorus Delegates and Alternate.
- IV. **PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS:**
 - A. **Superintendent's Update:** Mr. Arty Tillett, Superintendent, thanked PHS chorus members for coming to the meeting and singing for the Board. He presented one of the new PCPS banners that will be used for upcoming events. He acknowledged Tammy Edwards on her departure and thanked her for being our liaison for to connect military families with PCPS. He gave an update on COVID-19 cases. He advised the Board that PCPS will no longer require Ruvna morning screenings in the next few days or weeks. Mr. Jordan asked if that includes the daily screening by the teachers. Mr. Tillett advised it does include this. He updated the Board on recruiting efforts. He explained PCPS' current needs and that Dr. Hill and Dr. Ratliff have attended several recruiting events. He showed two recruiting videos and explained the steps taken to promote recruitment.
 - B. **Instructional Update:** Dr. Christine Hill, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction, opened with Teacher of the Year nominee information. She gave an update on instruction, including professional development plans, conferences, upcoming recruiting events, Summer Academy, testing, and grants. She explained the strategic planning process.
 - C. **Operations Update:** Dr. Brandon Ratliff, Assistant Superintendent for Operations, opened with the process of coordinating a calendar and recommended a post-Labor Day start date.

He gave an update on solar services and PHS parent pick up drop off loop. He advised that while Option A was the best calendar option, he wanted to provide options to the Board. It was explained that PCPS is still committed to solar services, but there may be delays due to high costs.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT: There were none.

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 for February's Regular Meeting and Work Session (*Enclosed*)
- E. Approval for Superintendent To Sign A Purchase Agreement To Purchase Computers, Docking Stations, and Monitors (*Reading File Enclosed*)

Mr. Jordan read the Consent Agenda above. Mr. Ingram made a motion, seconded by Mr. Freeman, that the Consent Agenda be approved as read. Vote was taken.

VOTE: 6:0

Mr. Ingram, Aye; Mr. Goodale, Aye; Mr. Freeman, Aye; Mr. Childress, Aye;
Vice Chair Jordan, Aye; Chair Helsel, Aye

VII. OTHER MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION:

- A. Consideration of Approval of Proclamation for Military Child Month

Mr. Ingram read the proclamation for Military Child Month.

Mr. Freeman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Childress, that the Consideration of Approval of Proclamation for Military Child Month be approved.

VOTE: 6:0

Mr. Ingram, Aye; Mr. Goodale, Aye; Mr. Freeman, Aye; Mr. Childress, Aye;
Vice Chair Jordan, Aye; Chair Helsel, Aye

- B. Consideration of Approval of 2022-2023 Academic Calendar

Mr. Jordan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Freeman, that the Consideration of Approval of 2022-2023 Academic Calendar be approved.

VOTE: 6:0

Mr. Ingram, Aye; Mr. Goodale, Aye; Mr. Freeman, Aye; Mr. Childress, Aye;
Vice Chair Jordan, Aye; Chair Helsel, Aye

VIII. PUBLIC HEARING ON SUPERINTENDENT'S PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FY23:

- A. Public Comment on Superintendent's Proposed Budget: There were none

B. Consideration of Approval of Superintendent's Proposed Budget for FY23

Mr. Jordan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Freeman, that the Consideration of Approval of Superintendent's Proposed Budget for FY23 be approved. After Board discussion, Mr. Tillett advised that the budget can be amended at a later time by the Board.

VOTE: 6:0

Mr. Ingram, Aye; Mr. Goodale, Aye; Mr. Freeman, Aye; Mr. Childress, Aye;
Vice Chair Jordan, Aye; Chair Helsel, Aye

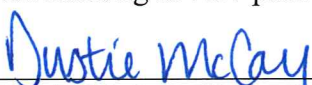
IX. COMMUNICATIONS AND/OR OTHER MATTERS BY SCHOOL BOARD AND/OR SUPERINTENDENT:

- **Mr. Tillett:** No further comments.
- **Miss Hatok:** She gave an update on recent school events.
- **Mr. Ingram:** He acknowledged Ms. Edwards for service with school system, Miss Patterson, and PHS chorus. He mentioned participating in Real Men Read event. Thanked Chair Helsel for allowing him to read the Military Child Month proclamation.
- **Mr. Goodale:** He mentioned the opportunity to read at Real Men Read events. He is appreciative of teaching staff and bus drivers while navigating the transition from COVID.
- **Mr. Freeman:** He advised he was amazed by PHS chorus. He congratulated wrestling, girls basketball, track, and swim teams for an outstanding season. He thanked calendar and budget committees for hard their work. He also participated in the Real Men Read event and thanked Ms. Knight's class for the Thank You cards. He thanked teachers for all they do and to enjoy Spring Break.
- **Mr. Childress:** He congratulated all activities read off by Miss Hatok. He acknowledged Ms. Edwards departure and Miss Patterson for being Senior of the Month. He mentioned that his father-in-law and co-worker participated in Career Day and thanked the teachers, principals, and staff members for allowing it to happen.
- **Vice Chair Jordan:** He mentioned his participation in Real Men Read program. He acknowledged for Mr. Tillett stepping in to teach Chorus. He thanked Poquoson Education Foundation for working tirelessly on grants, donating their time, and raising funds for school system. He mentioned Battle of the Books event coming up over the weekend, acknowledging Ms. Keener and her staff.
- **Chair Helsel:** She acknowledged Miss Hatok's reading about springtime, winter sports ending, spring sports starting, Mr. Tillett teaching, and Mr. Pappas driving a bus.

X. MATERIAL FOR BOARD REVIEW: There were none.

XI. ADJOURNMENT: Chair Helsel adjourned the meeting at 7:37 p.m.


Christina Helsel, Chair


Dustie McCay, Clerk of the Board

4-19-22
Date