

PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

12.11.23

PHS Media Center

Board Members Present: Beth Goodman - President, Angela Shinaver - Vice President, Brian Pohl - Secretary, Pat Duff - Treasurer, Andrew Huhn - Trustee, Susan Moyer - Trustee, Kurt Sandborn - Trustee

Administrator Present: Superintendent Heath, Gary Bond, Derrick Stair, Sarah Dawson Jamie DeWitt, Leanna Davis, Christopher Kenroy, Becky Manika, Anthony Deardorff, Simone Margraf, Jennifer Warner

Board Members Absent: None

The Board of Education meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by President Goodman.

59. Roll call.

60. Middle School and High School Student Council Report.

61. Presentations:

A. Raider of the month presentation:

Mrs. Manika presented the Oakwood Students of the Month.

Mr. Kenroy presented the Westwood Students of the Month.

Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Stemler presented the Middle School Students of the Month.

Mrs. Dewitt, Mr. Bolthouse and Mrs. Brown presented the High School Students of the Month.

Mr. Deardorff presented the PACE Students of the Month.

B. Mrs. Davis presented on the 8th grade overnight trip to Mackinaw Island. This will take place the first week of June, Monday-Tuesday. The cost will be \$485.00 per student.

62. Citizens' Request for Non-Agenda Items: None.

63. Consent Items:

A. Moved by Pat Duff, supported by Kurt Sandborn, that the Board approve the Minutes of the Board of Education for November 27, 2023.

All ayes.

Motion carried.

B. Moved by Pat Duff, supported by Kurt Sandborn, that the Board approve the Payment of Bills for November, 2023.

All ayes.

Motion carried.

C. Moved by Pat Duff, supported by Kurt Sandborn that the Board approve the Agenda for this meeting.

All ayes.

Motion carried.

64. Action Items:

A. Moved by Andrew Huhn, supported by Susan Moyer, that the Board approve the Purple Star School Resolution as presented, a copy of which is included as reference.

All ayes.

Motion carried.

B. Moved by Pat Duff, supported by Brian Pohl, that the Board approve the resolution to join the social media lawsuit as presented, a copy of which is included as reference.

All ayes.

Motion carried.

C. Moved by Andrew Huhn, supported by Angela Shinaver, that the Board approve the bid from Lynch Construction for the installation of two single stall bathrooms at the high school in the amount of \$126,987.87, as presented.

All ayes.

Motion carried.

D. Moved by Beth Goodman, supported by Kurt Sandborn, that the Board approve the bid from Electromedia for purchase and installation of 30 network switches in the amount of \$152,428.20, as presented

All ayes.

Motion carried.

E. Moved by Andrew Huhn, supported by Susan Moyer, that the Board approve the General Fund and Capital Improvements Fund amended budgets, as presented.

All ayes.

Motion carried.

F. Moved by Pat Duff, supported by Kurt Sandborn, that the Board authorize the issuance of three additional credit cards that will be in the name of Portland Public Schools and may be requested from the Director of Finance.

All ayes.

Motion carried.

G. Moved by Kurt Sandborn, supported by Andrew Huhn, that the Board approve the first reading of NEOLA policy update to include Policy 1540 - Administrative Staff Reduction/Recalls (New), Policy 2370.01 - Online/Blended Learning Program (Revised), Policy 7217 - Weapons (Revised), Policy 7540.03 - Student Technology Acceptable Use and Safety (Revised), Policy 8305 - Information Security (Technical Correction), Policy 8531 - Free and Reduced Price Meals (Revised), Policy 0122 - Board Powers, Policy 1420 - School Administrator Evaluation, Policy 3131 - Staff Reduction/Recalls,, Policy 3142 - Probationary Teachers, and Policy 3220 - Professional Staff Evaluation.

All ayes.

Motion carried.

H. Moved by Angela Shinaver, supported by Brian Pohl, that the Board approve the salvage list dated December 11, 2023 as presented, a copy of which is included as reference.

All ayes.

Motion carried.

I. Moved by Beth Goodman, supported by Susan Moyer, that the Board approve the attendance of the Superintendent, William Heath, at the ASU + GSV Summit in San Diego, California from April 12th to 18th, 2024.

All ayes.

Motion carried.

J. Moved by Andrew Huhn, supported by Susan Moyer, that the Board approve the 2023 Superintendent evaluation as presented.

Evaluation Summary:

Governance & Board Relations: 3.83

Community Relations: 4.00

Staff Relations: 3.86

Business & Finance: 4.00

Instructional Leadership: 3.70

Student Growth: 3.33

Progress Toward District-Wide Goals: 4.00

Final Summative Evaluation Score: 3.66

Evaluation Rating: Highly Effective



Narrative:

Will does an excellent job as superintendent and represents the district positively. During the last year, Will has worked hard and made great progress on the goals the Board set for him for 2023 which included:
1. Community/Parent Communication Plan
2. Employee Survey/Periodic Meetings with Staff
3. Quarterly Budget Updates.
All these goals were addressed and are complete or in progress as they will be ongoing part of the district work. The focus on the strategic plan, the completion of the communication plan, and beginning initiating communication with the community through Portland Beacon articles are all areas that took a lot of work and will make a significant difference. Will has also re-instituted meetings with the staff and board committee to encourage open feedback from staff. The first one is complete, and the others are scheduled for this school year. Will takes suggestions and runs with them and his ability to get things done is to be commended. The extra effort he took to meet the goals, and everything Will does for the district does not go unnoticed. Keep up the great work! The board looks forward to supporting you and all the district staff as we work towards achieving our strategic plan goals and continuing to help everyone in the district have Raider Pride!
2024 Goals:
1. Find ways to promote the district and all the positive work being done.
2. Actively seek staff input and create methods for staff to be actively involved in decision making.
3. Seek student input and create methods for students to be involved in district goals and decision making.

All ayes.

Motion carried.

K. Moved by Kurt Sandborn, supported by Beth Goodman, that the Board approve and adopt the Portland Public Schools Emergency Operations Plan, as presented.

All ayes.

Motion carried.

65. Informational Items:

A. Mr. Heath made a presentation on McKinney Vento.

66. Mr. Heath and Mr. Stair presented on the American rescue Plan/ESSER III LEA Plan of Use. There was no public comment on this item.

67. Board President Goodman presented on the Fun Filled Fiesta Night. The kitchen staff provided a taco dinner and there were approximately 20 people in attendance. The overall experience was a good one.

68. Correspondence: None.

69. Motion by Pat Duff, supported by Andrew Huhn, to adjourn at 8:40 p.m.

All ayes.

Motion carried.



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Board Secretary

## **RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF MILITARY CHILDREN AND FAMILIES FOR THE PURPLE STAR SCHOOL DESIGNATION**

Portland Public Schools, Ionia. Clinton and Eaton Counties, Michigan (the "District")

A regular meeting of the board of education of the District was held in the High School Media Center in the District, on the 11th day of December, 2023, at 7:00 o'clock in the p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Beth Goodman, President.

Present: Goodman, Shinaver, Duff, Pohl, Huhn, Moyer, Sandborn

Absent: None

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member Huhn and supported by Member Moyer:

### WHEREAS:

1. Portland Public Schools recognizes the sacrifices and challenges faced by military children and families, including frequent relocations, parental deployments, and other unique stressors; and
2. The Purple Star School designation is a symbol of the commitment to supporting military-connected students and their families by fostering a welcoming and supportive school environment; and
3. Military-connected students bring diverse perspectives, strengths, and experiences to our schools, enriching the educational community; and
4. Portland Public Schools aims to create an inclusive and supportive atmosphere for all students, including those from military families, to ensure their academic success and well-being; and
5. The Purple Star School designation is awarded by the Michigan Department of Education to schools that demonstrate a comprehensive commitment to meeting the unique needs of military-connected students;

### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. Portland Public Schools hereby declares its support for military children and families and pledges to pursue the Purple Star School designation as a tangible demonstration of this commitment.
2. Portland Public Schools will actively collaborate with military installations, community organizations, and support services to enhance the educational experiences of military-connected students and address their unique needs.

3. Portland Public Schools will provide professional development opportunities for school staff to increase their awareness and understanding of the challenges faced by military-connected students and implement strategies to support their academic and socio-emotional well-being.
4. Portland Public Schools will communicate and engage with military families to ensure that they are informed about available resources, programs, and support services within the school district.
5. Portland Public Schools will annually review and update its policies, practices, and programs to ensure they align with the Purple Star School criteria and best support military-connected students and their families.
6. Portland Public Schools will proudly display the Purple Star School designation as a symbol of its commitment to providing a supportive and inclusive educational environment for military-connected students and their families.

Ayes: Goodman, Shinaver, Duff, Pohl, Huhn, Moyer, Sandborn

Nays: None

Resolution declared adopted.



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Secretary, Board of Education

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Education of Portland Public Schools, Portland, Michigan, hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Education at a regular meeting held on December 11, 2023, the original of which resolution is a part of the Board's minutes, and further certifies that notice of the meeting was given to the public under the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended.



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Secretary, Board of Education