

POQUOSON CITY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
May 18, 2021 – 6:00 P.M.
CITY OF POQUOSON COUNCIL CHAMBERS

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

- I. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE TO THE FLAG. Chairman Carter called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Cassidy Spakes led the Pledge to the Flag and read an inspirational poem.
- II. ADDITIONS AND/OR MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA. There were none.
- III. RECOGNITIONS.
 - A. Recognition of the PHS Senior of the Month, Summer Holder.
 - B. Recognition of the PHS Varsity Field Hockey Team.
 - C. Recognition of the Outgoing School Board Student Representative, Cassidy Spakes.
- IV. PRESENTATIONS.
 - A. Pilot COVID- 19 Testing Program. Mr. Arty Tillett, Superintendent, gave a presentation on the Covid-19 testing program in schools.
 - B. Financial Update. Mrs. Tara Woodruff, Executive Director of Finance, updated the Board that City Council approved the School Board’s funding request for fiscal year 2022 without any changes. She also shared that staff have begun working on the closeout of fiscal year 2021. The auditors will begin preliminary work towards the end of June and will continue throughout the summer. She informed the Board that open enrollment with staff is being planned for July for employees to complete their benefit selections.
 - C. Operations Update. Mr. Steve Pappas, Executive Director of Operations, gave a presentation on the progress of the PMS modernization project.
 - D. Instructional Update. Dr. Antonia Fox, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction and Support Services presented an update on the Department of Defense Educational Activity (DODEA) grants.
- V. PUBLIC COMMENT – Jessica Firth, 14 W Wainwright Dr., spoke in reference to students currently being homeschooled and wanting to return to PCPS.
- VI. CONSENT AGENDA.
 - A. Approval of Financial Reports (*Enclosed*)

- B. Approval of Personnel Action *(Enclosed)*
- C. Authorization to Change Appropriation and to Accept and Expend Funds in Accordance with Attached Request *(Enclosed)*
- D. Approval of Minutes of April's Regular Meeting *(Enclosed)*
- E. Authorization for Superintendent to Sign a Renewal Contract with Aramark for Food Service Management *(Reading File Enclosed)*

Ms. Sheeler read the Consent Agenda above. Ms. Helsel made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda; Mr. Holcomb seconded and a vote was taken.

VOTE: 7:0

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

VII. OTHER MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION.

A. Consideration of Approval for Revision to the 2020-21 School Calendar *(Reading File Enclosed)*

Mr. Freeman made a motion to approve the 2020-21 School Calendar revision; Ms. Sheeler seconded, and a vote was taken.

VOTE: 7:0

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

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

- Mr. Tillett: He informed the Board and community on the COVID vaccination clinic to be held at PHS.
- Ms. Spakes: She presented an update on past and upcoming activities at each of the individual schools.
- Mr. Freeman: He shared how much he enjoyed his school visits with Mr. Tillett. He congratulated the PHS field hockey team on being state champions. He gave Cassidy Spakes well wishes on her future and thanked her for such a great job being the Board student representative this year. He gave a shout out to all PCPS school nurses, and thanked them for their hard work.
- Mr. Ingram: He congratulated the PHS senior of the month, Summer Holder. He also congratulated the PHS field hockey team. He shared with Cassidy on what a great job she did this year as the student representative.
- Mr. Jordan: He congratulated the PHS field hockey team. He wished Cassidy best of luck in her future endeavors. He thanked all the PCPS Bus Drivers and Aides for all their work and flexibility this past year. He wished all the seniors best of luck and to finish the school year strong.

- Mr. Holcomb: He shared that he is excited that PHS seniors will be having a traditional graduation this year. He thanked the community for their patience during this past school year. He thanked Mr. Tillett for all he has done for the students this past year and for his leadership during a trying time.
- Ms. Helsel: She thanked Cassidy for her service to the Board. She wished the spring sports teams best of luck during their season.
- Ms. Sheeler: She thanked all PCPS staff for a great job this year. She thanked Dr. Reyher for all her work she has done with COVID tracing. She expressed to Cassidy that she will be greatly missed.
- Chairman Carter: He thanked Cassidy for all her inspirational readings she has shared this year. He thanked all of PCPS staff for working so hard this school year.
- MATERIAL FOR BOARD REVIEW. There were none.

XI. ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business before the Board, Chairman Carter adjourned the meeting at 7:14 p.m.


Garry Carter, Ed.D., Chairman


Lenna Reimers, Clerk of the Board

6/15/2021
Date