

## PORTAGE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Portage, WI 53901

July 11, 2016

Gerstenkorn Administration Building

### School Board Meeting - Minutes

1. 1.1 Call to Order - Open Meeting Declaration - Roll Call  
The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. and declared an open meeting by President Matt Foster. Roll Call – Pate – yes, Reckling – yes, Garrigan – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Brown – yes, Edwards – yes, Foster – yes.
- 1.2 Board Members Present: Pate, Reckling, Garrigan, Shlimovitz, Brown, Edwards, and Foster.  
Board Members Absent: None.
- 1.3 Administrators Present: Poches, Rudolph, Hibner, Thistle, Paulsen, Meyer, Haak, Kvalo, Conner, Wolfe, Meicher.
- 1.4 Media Present: Daily Register
- 1.5 Guests Present: Amanda Semrad, Julie Jordahl, Mark Jordahl, Dahlia Werner, Sheri Chester, Lon Chester, Deb Steiner, Jerry Kabele, Mike Hemming, Joel Caulum, Dave Voelker, Joanne Owens, Jeff Jones, Deana Miller, Jamie Otey, Kathy Tofson, Donda Daniels, and Rachelle Murphy.
  
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
  
3. Motion by Reckling, second by Pate to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call – Pate – yes, Reckling – yes, Garrigan – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Brown – yes, Edwards – yes, Foster – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.
  
4. Public Input
  1. Rachelle Murphy and Julie Jordahl spoke regarding the proposed changes to the employee health insurance.
  
5. Board Updates/Committee Reports
  - A. Bartels Middle School Garden Project - Amanda Semrad gave the board members an update on the garden project going on this summer.
  - B. Computer Science Collaboration Project with University of Wisconsin – Joel Caulum presented information about a collaborative effort this year with PHS Alumni Jacob Schieber to enhance learning opportunities for students.
  
6. Action Items
  - A. Motion by Edwards, second by Shlimovitz to approve the previous meeting minutes from June 13<sup>th</sup> as presented. Roll Call – Shlimovitz – yes, Brown – yes, Edwards – yes, Pate – yes, Reckling – yes, Garrigan – yes, Foster – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.
  - B. 1. Motion by Pate, second by Garrigan to approve the Finance, Facilities and Transportation Committee Report (Monthly Bills 309317-309372 except Check #309171, Policy 397 Alternative Learning Center Assistant revisions, 2015-16 Pupil Transportation Report and Gifts to the District) as presented. Roll Call – Garrigan – yes, Brown – yes, Edwards – yes, Pate – yes, Reckling – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Foster – yes. Motion carried 7-0.  
2. Motion by Edwards, second by Foster to approve the payment of Monthly Bills, check 309171 as presented. Roll Call – Garrigan – yes, Brown – yes, Edwards – yes, Pate – yes, Reckling – yes, Shlimovitz – abstain, Foster – yes. Motion carried 6-0 with 1 abstaining.

June 2016

10 Fund	\$4,167,465.99
27 Fund	\$669,049.82
50 Fund	<u>\$73,895.62</u>
Total June Expenditures	\$4,910,411.43

- C. Motion by Pate, second by Reckling to approve the Personnel Committee Report (including 2016-2017 Negotiated Agreement for Certified Teaching Personnel and 2016-2017 Compensation for Professional Teaching Staff) as presented. Roll Call – Pate – yes, Brown – yes, Edwards – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Reckling – yes, Garrigan – abstain, Foster – yes. Motion carried 6-0 with one abstaining.
- D. Motion by Edwards, second by Reckling to approve the Athletic Committee report (including Fencing Club and Lighting and Watering the Fields Project with the expectation of an additional \$70,000 being raised before beginning Phase 2 of Watering the Fields) as presented. Roll Call – Pate – yes, Brown – yes, Edwards – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Reckling – yes, Garrigan – yes, Foster – yes. Motion carried 7-0.
- E. Motion by Reckling, second by Pate to approve the personnel (Resignations- Kim Biehl, English Teacher, High School, Erin Eslinger, Dean/Intervention Specialist, John Muir, William Fisher, Maintenance Tech, Scott Wohling, Special Education Teacher, High School, Rebecca Zeman, 4th Grade Teacher, Rusch; Permission to Post- Dean/Intervention Specialist- John Muir, Maintenance Tech, High School Special Ed, Rusch Elementary; Hires- Sarah DeCock, Speech/Language, John Muir, Merci Hernandez, Special Education Teacher, Rusch, Jason Becker, Special Education Teacher, High School, Courtney Baran, Special Education Teacher, Middle School, Amber Leis, Interventionist, Middle School, Julie O’Connell, 5th Grade, John Muir, Terry Gilman, Guidance Counselor, Middle School/High School; Summer School Contract- Jacqueline Gonzalez-Mahr, ESL Teacher, Genny Petrusis, Endeavor; Contract Addendums- Michael Seehafer, From 50% to 100%, Tracy Poches, From 50% to 100%; Spring Coaches- Boys Golf Head Ed Carlson, Asst. Rick Maass, Boys Tennis Head Sarah Pulliam, Asst. Alex Firari, Baseball Varsity Mike Hemming,, JV Matt Dietzenbach, Frosh Splitting Mike Nelson, Frosh Splitting Tim Drager, Volunteer Jerry Kabele, Volunteer Bill Greene, Volunteer Jake Nelson, Volunteer Matt Denman, Girls Soccer, Varsity Kathie Mayne, JV Karen Laymen, Volunteer Adam Killian; Track Head Boys Brad Meixner, Head Girls Joe Pease, Assistant Mike Ferguson, Assistant Kari Krakow, Assistant Fritz Hammer, Middle School Paul Wilson, Middle School Jessica Yanna, Middle School Kerry Melby, Volunteer Steve Aldridge, Volunteer Noah Smith, Volunteer Tim Amend; Softball Co-Head Connie Wampler, Co-Head Amy Zeihen, JV Joe Woodhouse; Archery Julie Jordahl) as presented. Roll Call – Brown – yes, Reckling – yes, Shlimovitz – no, Edwards – yes, Pate – yes, Garrigan – yes, Foster- yes. Motion carried 6-1.
- F. Motion by Pate, second by Reckling to approve the recommendation of the District Leadership Team of option 3 for employee health insurance with district contributing \$5000 to each family HSA as presented. Roll call – Brown – yes, Reckling – yes, Shlimovitz – no, Edwards – no, Pate – yes, Garrigan – abstain, Foster – no. Motion failed: 3-3 with 1 abstaining.
- G. Motion by Reckling, second by Edwards to approve the 2016-2017 Professional Employee Handbook first reading as presented. Roll Call – Reckling – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Edwards – yes, Pate – no, Brown – yes, Garrigan – abstain, Foster – yes. Motion carried: 5-1 with 1 abstaining.
- H. Motion by Garrigan, second by Shlimovitz to approve the 2016-2017 Paraprofessional Employee Handbook as presented. Roll Call – Edwards –yes, Reckling – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Garrigan – yes, Brown – yes, Pate – no, Foster – yes. Motion carried: 6-1.
- I. Motion by Brown, second by Garrigan to approve the 2016-2017 Portage Academy of Achievement Student Handbook as presented. Roll Call – Pate – yes, Brown – yes, Edwards – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Reckling – yes, Garrigan – yes, Foster – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.
- J. Motion by Brown, second by Pate to approve the Neola Policies (Intro-0170) second reading as presented. Roll Call – Brown – yes, Reckling – yes, Shlimovitz – no, Edwards – yes, Pate – yes, Garrigan – yes, Foster – yes. Motion carried: 6-1.

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  - A. Administrators' Reports – Administrators provided reports on summer activities.
  - B. District Administrator's Report – Charles Poches offered a status report on filling vacant teaching positions.
  
8. Motion by Reckling, second by Shlimovitz to adjourn at 7:39 p.m. Roll Call – Garrigan – yes, Brown – yes, Reckling – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Edwards – yes, Pate – yes, Foster – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.

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District Secretary