

PORTAGE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

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November 13, 2017

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 6:31 p.m. and declared an open meeting by President Steve Pate. Roll Call – Foster – yes, Reckling – yes, Garrigan – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Brown – yes, Edwards – yes, Pate – yes.
- 1.2 Board Members Present: Pate, Reckling, Shlimovitz, Brown, Edwards, Garrigan, and Foster. Student Representative: Seth Reilly. Board Members Absent: None.
- 1.3 Administrators Present: Poches, Rudolph, Hibner, Schoenborn, Meyer, Thistle, Conner, Kvalo, Haak, Rueth, Paulsen, Wolfe.
- 1.4 Media Present: Daily Register
- 1.5 Guests Present: Refugia Sheppard, Scott Beard, Lily Beard, Olivia Goldthorpe, Tim Drager, Mark Gessner, Vicki Hanson, Joseph Alves, Rebecca Rocha, Jenny Skadahl, Jillian Maas, Kellie Kilde, Anton Kilde, Heidi Nickel, others.

2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. Motion by Reckling, second by Shlimovitz to approve the agenda as amended. Roll Call – Foster – yes, Reckling – yes, Garrigan – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Brown – yes, Edwards – yes, Pate – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.

4. Board Updates
 - B. Elementary School students and staff shared highlights of clubs and programs in their buildings.
 - A. Student Representative Report – Seth Reilly provided an overview of upcoming events and recent activities.
 - C. Wisconsin Rural Schools Alliance Report – Fred Reckling discussed the recent fall conference.
 - D. Administrative Reports – Elementary principals shared their AGR report with the board. Barb Wolfe talked about plans for the year’s inservice schedules. Sue Conner discussed about the upcoming communication plan subcommittee. Robin Kvalo said the PHS Veterans’ Day program was a success. Parent Teacher conferences went well. The marching band banquet was enjoyable. Teachers continue their learning process through conventions. PHS sent a group of students to a math competition at UW-Platteville and did well. Tim Rueth said attendance continues to improve at BMS. A lot of activities are planned for the semester, including the recent costume dance, upcoming STARS open gym and sports. Tim Haak said the softball fields have a new sound system. Matt Paulsen said PAA has three new students. December 11th is the EAA flight school. Peter Hibner said the report cards will be released soon. Charles Poches discussed American Education Week, with this year’s theme being “Public Schools: A Basic Right and Our Responsibility,” and the financial impact to the district the voucher program has.

5. Public Comments – none.

6. Action Items
 - A. Motion by Foster, second by Reckling to approve the consent agenda (minutes) as

presented. Roll Call – Shlimovitz – yes, Brown – yes, Edwards – yes, Foster – yes, Reckling – yes, Garrigan – yes, Pate – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.

7. Committee Reports

A. Motion by Garrigan, second by Edwards to approve the Finance, Facilities and Transportation Committee Report (payment of monthly bills - Checks except 312950, Pepsi Contract, September Membership Revisions, Gifts to the District, and Field Trip Requests). Roll Call – Garrigan – yes, Brown – yes, Edwards – yes, Foster – yes, Reckling – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Pate – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.

October 2017

Fund 10	\$2,051,418.36
Fund 27	275,484.29
<u>Fund 50</u>	<u>\$112,845.19</u>
Total Expenditures	\$2,439,747.84

- B. Motion by Foster, second by Garrigan to approve the Finance, Facilities and Transportation Committee report – payment of Check 312950 as presented. Roll Call – Brown – yes, Edwards – yes, Foster – yes, Garrigan – yes, Reckling – yes, Shlimovitz – abstain, Pate – yes. Motion carried: 6-0 with one abstaining.
- C. Motion by Edwards, second by Brown to approve the Curriculum and Co-Curricular Committee report (including Youth Options request) as presented. Roll Call – Shlimovitz – yes, Reckling – yes, Edwards – yes, Garrigan – yes, Brown – yes, Foster – yes, Pate – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.
- D. Motion by Reckling, second by Edwards to approve the Information Technology Advisory Board report as presented. Roll Call – Shlimovitz – yes, Reckling – yes, Edwards – yes, Garrigan – yes, Brown – yes, Foster – yes, Pate – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.
- E. Motion by Foster, second by Brown to approve the Policy Committee report (approval of Policies 8610-8840) as presented. Roll Call – Foster – yes, Brown – yes, Edwards – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Reckling – yes, Garrigan – yes, Pate – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.
- F. Motion by Edwards, second by Garrigan to approve Athletic Committee report (including the recognition of PHS Bowling and the recommendation to hire two additional half-time middle school coaches for wrestling and cross country in 2018-19) as presented. Roll Call – Reckling – yes, Brown – yes, Edwards – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Foster – yes, Garrigan – yes, Pate – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.
- G. Motion by Shlimovitz, second by Brown to approve the Strategic Planning Committee report as presented. Roll Call – Garrigan – yes, Edwards – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Brown – yes, Foster – yes, Reckling – yes, Pate – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.
- H. Motion by Foster, second by Shlimovitz to approve the Personnel Committee report (Resignations/Retirements- Roger Malkowski, Custodian, PHS, Bill Karls, Aide, Rusch, Cassandra Mohr, Special education paraprofessional, Muir; Permission to Post- 5.75 hr/day aide, Rusch, 5.75 hr/day special education paraprofessional, 3 hr/day custodian, 4 hr/day Early Childhood paraprofessional, Hires- Susie Hammer, 4.25 hrs/day Aide, Endeavor, Dale Hon, 4 hrs/day Delivery/Copy Specialist, District, Dan Bare, 7.5 hrs/day Payroll, GAB, Tami Carlson, 8 hrs/day teacher assistant, BMS) as presented. Roll Call – Brown – yes, Reckling – yes, Foster – yes, Edwards – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Garrigan – yes, Pate – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.
- I. Motion by Foster, second by Edwards to issue the resolution in honor of National School Psychology Awareness Week. Roll Call – Shlimovitz – yes, Brown – yes, Reckling – yes, Edwards – yes, Foster – yes, Garrigan – yes, Pate – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.

- J. Motion by Shlimovitz, second by Foster to issue the board commendations (PHS Band/Color Guard, Brooklyn Miller and Tyler Jones) as presented. Roll Call – Edwards – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Garrigan – yes, Brown – yes, Foster – yes, Reckling – yes, Pate – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.
8. Motion by Brown, second by Reckling to go into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats. Sec. 19.85(1)(c) for consideration and review of performance evaluation data regarding District Administrator employment and consideration of District Administrator employment/contract at 8:10 p.m. Roll Call – Garrigan – yes, Brown – yes, Foster – yes, Reckling – yes, Edwards – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Pate –yes. Motion carried: 7-0.
9. Motion by Reckling, second by Edwards to adjourn at 10:24 p.m. Roll Call – Shlimovitz – yes, Foster – yes, Reckling – yes, Garrigan – yes, Brown – yes, Edwards – yes, Pate – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.

Recording Secretary

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