

PORTAGE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

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March 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 6:32 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: No student representative.
- 1.3 Administrators Present: Poches, Hibner, Rudolph, Messer, Thistle, Meyer, Schoenborn, Paulsen, Haak, Kvalo, Wolfe, Conner.
- 1.4 Media Present: Daily Register
- 1.5 Guests Present: Amy Cole, Lisa Roche, Fritz Hammer, Jody Steinhaus, Al Jaeger, Kathy Tofson, Tim Drager.

2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. Motion by Reckling, second by Shlimovitz 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. None

5. Board Updates/Committee Reports
 - A. Student Council Representative Report – None.
 - B. Health Insurance Presentation – Al Jaeger provided an update on the insurance plan process for the coming year.
 - C. Prepare Training – Amy Cole and Lisa Roche discussed the plan to utilize Prepare Training for all staff.
 - D. Balanced School Year Recommendation – Fritz Hammer, Jody Steinhaus and Salina Thistle presented survey feedback from families and recommended the district not pursue a balanced school year schedule at Endeavor Elementary School.

6. Action Items
 - A. Motion by Edwards, second by Pate to approve the previous meeting minutes from February 13th and February 28th as presented. Roll Call – Shlimovitz – yes, Brown – yes, Edwards – yes, Pate – yes, Reckling - yes, Garrigan – yes, Foster – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.
 - B. Motion by Reckling, second by Garrigan to approve the Finance, Facilities and Transportation Committee Report (including payment of Monthly Bills; Checks 311200-311234, 311236-311293, 311295-311337, 161700144-161700163, Approve 2017-2018 Operational Budgets, Amend Partnering Pre-School Contracts, Renewal of Student Accident Insurance, Approval of Ahlhorn Loans) as presented. Roll Call – Garrigan – yes, Brown – yes, Edwards – yes, Pate –yes, Reckling – yes, Shlimovitz –yes, Foster – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.

February 2017

Fund 10

\$1,817,856.97

Fund 27	\$250,852.09
<u>Fund 50</u>	<u>\$82,879.03</u>

Total February Expenditures \$2,151,588.09

- C. Motion by Garrigan, second by Pate to approve the payment of Check 311235 as presented. Roll Call – Shlimovitz – abstain, Reckling – yes, Edwards – yes, Pate – yes, Brown – yes, Garrigan – yes, Foster – yes. Motion carried: 6-0 with one abstention.
 - D. Motion by Garrigan, second by Shlimovitz to approve the payment of Check 311294 as presented. Roll Call – Pate – yes, Brown – yes, Edwards – abstain, Shlimovitz – yes, Reckling – yes, Garrigan – yes, Foster – yes. Motion carried: 6-0 with one abstention.
 - E. Motion by Reckling, second by Edwards to approve the Curriculum/Co-Curricular Committee Report (including the Pupil Nondiscrimination Report) as presented. Roll Call – Brown – yes, Reckling – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Edwards – yes, Pate – yes, Garrigan – yes, Foster- yes. Motion carried: 7-0.
 - F. Motion by Pate, second by Brown to approve the Building Trades Committe Report as presented. Roll call – Garrigan – yes, Brown – yes, Pate – yes, Reckling – yes, Edwards – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Foster – yes. Motion passed: 7-0.
 - G. Motion by Pate, second by Brown to approve the Personnel/Negotiations Committee Report as presented. Roll Call – Shlimovitz – yes, Brown – yes, Reckling – yes, Edwards – yes, Pate – yes, Garrigan – yes, Foster – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.
 - H. Motion by Edwards, second by Shlimovitz to approve the personnel (Hires- Amanda Klawitter, 5.75 hrs/day Special Ed. Aide, High School, Lauren Goggins, 5.75 hrs/day Special Ed. Aide, Middle School, Donna Krause, 5.75 hrs/day Special Ed. Aide, Muir, Stephanie Masech, 5.75 hrs/day Special Ed. Aide, Rusch; Resignations/Retirements- Tracy Poches, English Teacher, High School, Rachel Kidd, 4th Grade Teacher, Rusch, Kerry Melby, 7th Grade Basketball Coach, Middle School, Joann Armson, 7th Grade Basketball Coach, Middle School) as presented. Roll Call – Brown – yes, Reckling – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Edwards – yes, Pate – yes, Garrigan – yes, Foster – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.
 - I. Motion by Edwards, second by Shlimovitz to accept the recommendation to not move forward with researching the Balanced School Year Calendar at Endeavor Elementary School as presented. Roll Call – Pate – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Reckling – yes, Garrigan – yes, Brown – yes, Edwards – yes, Foster – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.
 - J. Motion by Brown, second by Shlimovitz to approve the board commendations (German Honor Society and Spanish Honor Society inductees) as presented. Roll Call – Brown – yes, Reckling – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Garrigan – yes, Edwards – yes, Pate – yes, Foster – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.
 - K. Motion by Pate, second by foster to approve the CESA 5 contract as presented. Roll Call – Shlimovitz – yes, Reckling – yes, Garrigan – yes, Edwards – yes, Brown – yes, Pate – yes, Foster – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.
 - L. Motion by Reckling, second by Pate to approve the second reading of NEOLA Policies 4000 series - Finance as presented. Roll Call – Edwards – yes, Reckling – yes, Shlimovitz – no, Garrigan – yes, Brown – yes, Pate – yes, Foster – yes. Motion carried: 6-1.
 - M. Motion by Brown, second by Edwards to approve the boys hockey co-operative agreement as presented. Roll Call – Shlimovitz – yes, Brown – yes, Reckling – yes, Edwards – yes, Pate – yes, Garrigan – yes, Foster – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.
7. A. Administrators' Reports – Tim Haak congratulated the winter sports teams and said spring sports are starting up. Head football coach interviews will be in late March. Larry Messer said spring break will be busy with replacing panels at the high school. The swimming pool will be closed for its 5-week maintenance project. Endeavor Elementary School is getting a new flagpole. Jason Meyer said STEM night at John Muir hosted 102 families and 279 people. The Hawaiian dance was a

success, the talent show is April 7th and the 24 regional tournament is quickly approaching. Robin Kvalo said the high school science club helped with STEM night. NHS welcomed 39 new members. ACT went well with outstanding attendance. ASPIRE testing is next month. Sue Conner said Digital Learning Day included 20 activities throughout the district focusing on 21st century learning. She gave an overview of the broadband update. Salina Thistle talked about Read Across America. Reading and Math Night was a success, as was family muffin day at Woodridge. Endeavor's raffle fundraiser night is April 7th. April 13th is the Spring Fling with teamwork activities. April 26th is the Endeavor Sharing Support. The last sharing supper there included 240 people. Nikki Schoenborn said she has been busy planning field trips for Rusch and Lewiston students. Matt Paulsen said PAA has six new students enrolling after recent interviews. A total of 18 are expected to graduate. Coffee with a cop is March 28th in the high school teacher's lounge. Sharing Supper is March 27th. EAA will be organizing a pilot ground school for three hours a week for four weeks. Peter Hibner said science teachers are working on making recommendations for the new curriculum. English teachers will be touring DeForest over spring break.

B. District Administrator's Report – Charles Poches said students and staff submitted dozens of ideas for a new district slogan. Looking ahead, the AWSA SAIL Conference is in June and spring workshops through WASDA are planned.

8. Motion by Reckling, second by Pate to go into closed session pursuant to under Wisconsin Statutes 19.85 (1) (c) for consideration, including action if appropriate, regarding employment, compensation, and performance evaluation data of administrative staff at 8:09 p.m.. Roll Call – Garrigan – yes, Brown – yes, Reckling – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Edwards – yes, Pate – yes, Foster – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.
9. Motion by Reckling, second by Pate to adjourn at 10:59 p.m. Roll Call – Garrigan – yes, Brown – yes, Reckling – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Edwards – yes, Pate – yes, Foster – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.

District Secretary

The Portage Community School District will be a leader in education having high expectations for all students based on a clearly defined curriculum, partnering with parents and the community, and differentiating the instruction to meet the needs of every student in a literacy rich environment.