

PORTAGE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

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April 9, 2018

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 Steve Pate. Roll Call – Foster – yes, Reckling – yes, Garrigan – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Edwards – yes, Pate – yes.
- 1.2 Board Members Present: Foster, Reckling, Garrigan, Shlimovitz, Edwards and Pate. Student Representative: Mackenzie Rietmann. Board Members Absent: Brown.
- 1.3 Administrators Present: Poches, Rudolph, Hibner, Messer, Meyer, Thistle, Conner, Haak, Schoenborn, Rueth, Paulsen.
- 1.4 Media Present: None
- 1.5 Guests Present: Elizabeth Hansen, Caitlin Richardson, Sue Bradley.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. Motion by Reckling, second by Shlimovitz to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call – Foster – yes, Reckling – yes, Garrigan – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Edwards – yes, Pate – yes. Motion carried: 6-0.
4. Board Updates
 - A. Student Representative Report – Mackenzie Rietmann talked about events at the high school, including FBLA State, HOSA State, Jazz Cabaret, Foreign Language Week and the beginning of spring sports.
 - B. Columbia County CASA Presentation – Sue Bradley explained the CASA program, the need for volunteers, and a special event April 18th to bring attention to the cause.
 - C. Backpack Food Program – Elizabeth Hansen and Caitlin Richardson presented an overview of the Backpack Food program at the elementary level.
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, Edwards – yes, Foster – yes, Reckling – yes, Garrigan – yes, Pate – yes. Motion carried: 6-0.
7. Committee Reports
 - A. Motion by Reckling, second by Garrigan to approve the Finance, Facilities and Transportation Committee Report (Monthly Bills, 2018-2019 CESA 5 Contract, Budget Transfers, Gifts to the District and Field Trips) as presented. Roll Call – Reckling – yes, Garrigan – yes, Edwards – yes, Foster – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Pate – yes. Motion carried: 6-0.

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Fund 10

\$1,883,042.72

Fund 27	\$279,573.23
Fund 50	\$88,486.93
Total Expenditures	\$2,251,102.88

- B. Motion by Garrigan, second by Edwards to approve the Personnel Committee report (2018-2019 Professional Contracts, Steve Geike, Director of Buildings and Grounds, District, Bonnie Kratz, 4 hr/day Food Service, Rusch) as presented. Roll Call – Garrigan – yes, Edwards – yes, Foster – yes, Reckling – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Pate – yes. Motion carried: 6-0.
- C. Motion by Reckling, second by Shlimovitz to approve the special board meeting for April 23rd at 6:30 p.m. as presented. Roll Call – Edwards – yes, Foster – yes, Garrigan – yes, Reckling – yes, Shlimovitz – yes, Pate – yes. Motion carried: 6-0.
- D. Motion by Edwards, second by Reckling to approve the board commendations (Jan Imhoff Kohl Educational Foundation Teacher Fellowship recipient and Danielle Griffey, Kohl Initiative Scholarship recipient) as presented. Roll Call – Shlimovitz – yes, Reckling – yes, Edwards – yes, Garrigan – yes, Foster – yes, Pate – yes. Motion carried: 6-0.
8. Motion by Reckling, second by Edwards to go into Closed Session pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 19.85(1)(c) and (e), for consideration and action as appropriate of employment and compensation for identifiable individual employees, including administrative and paraprofessional employees and pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 19.82(1) and 19.85(1)(c) and (e), for the purpose of discussing and taking action as appropriate, negotiations and strategies regarding collective bargaining with PEA.
- Also, as part of this motion, go into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85 (1) (c),(e), (f), and (g) to consider and take action as appropriate on minutes from a prior closed session, regarding the consideration and discussion of strategy concerning notice of claim from a parent on a particular matter, and administrative evaluations and contracts at 6:57 p.m. Roll Call – Shlimovitz – yes, Reckling – yes, Edwards – yes, Garrigan – yes, Foster – yes, Pate –yes. Motion carried: 6-0.
9. No action in open session.
10. Motion by Reckling, second by Edwards to adjourn at 8:09 p.m. Roll Call – Shlimovitz – yes, Foster – yes, Reckling – yes, Garrigan – yes, Edwards – yes, Pate – yes. Motion carried: 6-0.

Recording 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.