

Portage Community School District Board of Education  
Special Meeting Minutes

May 15, 2023  
6:00 p.m.

305 E. Slifer Street,  
Portage, Wisconsin 53901

In attendance: Board Kelly Behnke, Connie Shlimovitz, Matt Foster, Dan Garrigan, Mark Fahey, Ellen Stevenson, Nicky Cross

Others: Attorney Brian Goodman

Administration: District Administrator Joshua Sween, Associate H.S. Principal Sean Stout, H.S. Principal Jennifer Garrigan

Family: Student, Parent

- I. Call to Order at 6:00 PM.—Open Meeting Declaration – Call the Roll
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Action Items
  - a. Personnel
    - i. Resignations [Derrick Henrichs, PHS math and Miranda Shanks, PHS English]
    - ii. Permission to Post [PHS math and English teachers]  
Motion by Foster, second by Garrigan to approve the personnel changes as presented.  
Roll Call – Shlimovitz – yes, Fahey – yes, Garrigan – yes, Cross – yes, Foster – yes, Stevenson – yes, Behnke – yes. Motion carried: 7-0.
  - b. Proposed Closed Session - Motion made by Shlimovitz; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stevenson to go into closed session at 6:02 PM for:

Consideration of adjourning to closed session under Sections 19.85(1)(a), and 19.85(1)(f) of the Wisconsin Statutes. Sections 19.85(1)(a) and 19.85(1)(f) allow a meeting to be closed to the public when a government body is going to deliberate concerning a case which was the subject of any judicial or quasi-judicial trial or hearing before that governmental body, or when a governmental body considers medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, or the investigation of charges against specific persons, which, if discussed in public would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data or involved in such problems or investigations.

The purpose of the closed meeting is to conduct an expulsion hearing in accordance with Section 120.13(1)(c) of the Wisconsin Statutes and to review and discuss pupil records, as defined in Section 118.125 of the Wisconsin Statutes. It is anticipated that the Board will conduct the hearing, deliberate, and then vote on the expulsion during the closed session.

Roll call vote. The motion carried unanimously.

V. Reconvene in Open Session.

Motion to reconvene in Open Session at 7:53 PM made by Behnke, second by Foster.  
Motion carried unanimously.

VI. Motion to adjourn at 7:54 PM made by Behnke, second by Cross. Motion carried  
unanimously.