

PONTIAC TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 90
1100 E. Indiana Avenue, Pontiac, IL 61764
Minutes of the Board of Education – Regular Meeting
Monday, January 8, 2018 – 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order, Pledge, and Roll Call: The Pontiac Township High School District No. 90 Board of Education held its regularly scheduled meeting in the Dr Ronald J Yates Memorial Library on Monday, January 8, 2018. President Roger Corrigan called the Meeting to order at 7:00p.m.; the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Board members Mrs. Brainard, Mrs. Murphy, Mr. Sartoris, Mr. Clemmer, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Schrock and Mr. Corrigan answered roll call. Also present were Administrators Jon Kilgore, Eric Bohm, Tera Graves, and Board Secretary Kelly Carter.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes from our regularly scheduled board meeting on December 11, 2017 were approved. Motion by Mr. Lambert and seconded by Mrs. Murphy. Motion passed on a voice vote.

Approval of Bills and Requisitions: A motion was made by Mr. Schrock and seconded by Mrs. Brainard to approve the High School and LACC Finance Reports; the High School, OM, Transportation, and LACC bills; and the High School and LACC SBAA Activity Reports. Mr. Clemmer, Mrs. Murphy, Mr. Sartoris, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Corrigan and Mrs. Brainard voted “yea” on a roll call vote. Motion passed.

Finance Report: Mr. Kilgore reviewed the HS financial report as of Dec 31, 2017.

FUND BALANCES: EDUCATION FUND \$ (267,018.39) OM FUND \$1,079,592.55 DEBT SERVICES \$(716,405.15), TRANSPORTATION FUND \$722,847.45, IMRF/SS \$156,516.59, CAPITAL PROJECTS \$71,302.18, WORKING CASH \$114,214.26, TORT (\$38,000.89), and FIRE PREV & SAFETY \$113,566.53.

Fund Totals \$1,236,615.13 + Investments \$2,532,118.87 = \$3,768,734.00

Recognition of Guests, Presentations, and Communications:

Guests - Guest present: Luke Smucker from the Pontiac Daily Leader, Angela Thomas, Special Education Department Chair and Dana Knapp, Special Education Teacher. Members of the public that was present: Cheryl Spires, Geoff Trembley, Andrew Lee, Brett Spires, Lori Lee, Denise Plenert, Trevor Plenert, Megan Lauritsen, Mick Lauritsen, Ryan Lauritsen, Janet Trembley, Joseph Trembley, Kevin Sennott, and Nancy Sennott.

Communications: Department Report from Angela Thomas, Special Education Department Chair person and Dana Knapp, Special Education Teacher gave a presentation on the current and projected enrollments in the special education department for 2017-18 and 2018-19.

Public Comment: Several members of the swim team and their parents were present at the board meeting to discuss their concerns with the irregular temperatures and chemicals being used at the pool. Cheryl Spires, spokesperson for the group, relayed their concerns and wanted to know what steps the school is taking to rectify the situation. Mr. Kilgore assured her and the group that PTHS takes this situation very seriously and all steps have been taken to remedy the situation. He also stated he would remain in contact with her regarding the status of said situation.

Board Business: Financial Review – as presented

FY 2018 Cash Flow: The monthly cash flow report demonstrates the balanced budget is on track through December 2017.

Policy Update: The policy committee met and they made a recommendation for compliance with the new Ant-Discrimination Laws.

Beverage Agreement: Mr. Kilgore recommended the renewal of our contract with Heartland Coca-Cola Bottling Company.

Principal Report- Mr. Bohm gave a presentation on the discontinuation of the class rank and Valedictorian/Salutatorian. He presented an alternative as to continue recognizing the academic achievements through the usage of Latin Honors System (summa cum laude, magna cum laude, and cum laude). He also recommended that PTHS continue to have a student speak at graduation however they will be required to submit a speech to a panel of teachers and the panel will select the speaker. The BOE will further discuss this matter and no decision was made at this time.

LACC Report- Mrs. Graves reported that LACC continues to develop and maintain a fiscally responsible budget that supports our districts goals. The programs and services the LACC offers continue to provide services that meet the needs of all of our students.

Personnel Recommendations- Mr. Kilgore is recommending the approval of resignations from Casey “Buck” Casson as Head Football Coach and Jacob Campbell as LACC Fire Science Instructor at the end of 2017-2018.

Action Items:

Approve the Press Policy Update through the October Issue as presented - A motion was made by Mr. Sartoris and seconded by Mr. Lambert to approve the Press Policy updates through the October Issue. Mr. Corrigan, Mrs. Murphy, Mr. Sartoris Mr. Lambert, Mr. Clemmer, Mrs. Brainard, and Mr. Schrock voted “yea” on a roll call vote. Motion passed.

Approve the Beverage Agreement with Heartland Coca-Cola Bottling Company as presented:

A motion was made by Mr. Clemmer and seconded by Mrs. Murphy to approve the agreement with Heartland Coca-Cola Bottling Company as presented. Mr. Corrigan, Mrs. Murphy, Mr. Sartoris Mr. Lambert, Mr. Clemmer, Mrs. Brainard, and Mr. Schrock voted “yea” on a roll call vote. Motion passed.

Personnel Actions:**Approve the personnel recommendations as presented:**

A motion was made by Mr. Schrock and seconded by Mr. Lambert to approve the resignation of Casey "Buck" Casson as Head Football Coach. Mr. Corrigan, Mrs. Murphy, Mr. Sartoris Mr. Lambert, Mr. Clemmer, Mr. Schrock and Mrs. Brainard voted "yea" on a roll call vote. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Sartoris and seconded by Mrs. Murphy to approve the resignation of Jacob Campbell as the LACC Fire Science Instructor effective the end of 2017- 2018 school year. . Corrigan, Mrs. Murphy, Mr. Sartoris Mr. Lambert, Mr. Clemmer, Mr. Schrock and Mrs. Brainard voted "yea" on a roll call vote. Motion passed.

Upcoming Items, Activities, and Meetings

- Finance Committee - Monday, February 12, 2018 @ 5:45 p.m.
- Next BOE Meeting – Monday February 12, 2018 @ 7:00 p.m.
- Board Retreat to Discuss Goals and Strategic Planning TBA sometime in January 2018.

Adjournment - A motion was made by Mr. Sartoris and seconded by Mrs. Brainard to adjourn the meeting at 9:23 p.m. Motion passed on a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Corrigan, President

Kelly Carter, Board Secretary