



Potomac Elementary School

School Board Minutes

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*“Potomac School equips each student for his/her future
within a culture of excellence that values the small community experience.”*

UNOFFICIAL SUMMARY – OFFICIAL MINUTES SUBJECT TO BOARD APPROVAL

Call to Order

Board Chair Robert O’Boyle called the meeting to order at 5:09 PM by leading all in the Pledge of Allegiance. Those trustees present were: Jeff Hahn, Gary Long, Cliff Vann and Jim Wrobel.

Public Input (for issues not on the agenda) None

Interview Planning Session for Administrator Position

What we are looking for in an administrator:

- Person who fits the community
- How do they embrace what is important to us
 - 4 day week
 - Explorers Program and applied learning
 - Ability based math
 - The volunteers at the school
 - No homework/limited homework

Possible questions for new administrator

1. Tell us a little bit about yourself and why you are interesting in coming to a small rural school like Potomac.
2. We have a great after school and Friday program called Explorers. How would you continue to develop an applied learning program like this?
3. Discuss your experience incorporating/utilizing a community of volunteers into a school.
4. Discuss with us an instance that you were in a leadership position and needed to deliver a message of needed improvement to a staff member.
5. Outline how you would further improve our ability based education vision, and expand upon what has been accomplished with our math curriculum.
6. Academic Freedom has always been one of the advantages of teaching at Potomac. How will you allow teachers academic freedom while ensuring the curriculum is being covered?
7. As a new Principal in Potomac, how would you go about building communication, trust, and collaboration with staff, parents, students, and other members of the community?
8. What is your understanding of Title 1 and special education law and policy and how would you support ongoing training?
9. Describe what you consider to be a good teacher and what model you would use for teacher observations, evaluations, and improvement.
10. How have you dealt with a contentious situation that has arisen before between parents and teachers, between members of the staff, etc...?
11. What is your knowledge of school finance, specifically in the areas of budgeting, revenue resources, grant writing, and the current legislation?
12. What is your style in dealing with negative behaviors of students? Please give an example. Tell us how you have addressed and will continue to address the issue of bullying in school.

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- 13. What do you expect to see in an effective common core classroom? How will you communicate this to staff and how will you assess that curriculum is being implemented with fidelity in the classroom and how would you facilitate growth in this area?
- 14. Do you have questions for us?

Adjourn

Board Chair O'Boyle adjourned the Board meeting at 6:55pm.

Robert O'Boyle, Chair

date

Jill M Thornton, Clerk

date