



# Potomac Elementary School

## School Board Minutes

for

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within a culture of excellence that values the small community experience.”*

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### Call to Order

Board Chair Cliff Vann called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm by leading all in the Pledge of Allegiance. Those trustees present were: Gary Long, Craig Nelson, Jason Nordberg and Kelsy Ployhar. Jill Thornton, clerk and Angie Williams, Principal were also in attendance.

### Public Input (for issues not on the agenda)

Cliff would like to put a discussion about the 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip on our August agenda.

Cliff also had a conversation with Kris Goss, attorney for MTSBA regarding the PEA's and Nancy's request for a retirement incentive to be used for insurance payments. He took good notes, and read them back to Kris so as to not make any mistakes. This is the advice given:

- It is not the role of a School Board to allocate resources to the benefit of one individual
- This would be irresponsible use of public funds
- District funds are to be directed to the benefit of education

Kris further advised this would likely create an ongoing liability for the district.

### Consent Agenda

Jason moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Gary seconded the motion. **Passed 5-0**

### Principals Report

We've successfully completed our 2015-16 school year! Graduation went well and our last day of school was fun-packed as always.

**CRT Science-** We received the results from our CRT Science assessments that the 4th and 8th graders took in March. 50 % scored advanced with 44% scoring proficient. These are very good scores, showing we are successful in the following areas: Scientific investigations, Physical Science, Life Science and Earth/Space Science. We'll be getting the results from our Smarter Balance testing this summer which will cover our math and language arts.

**Sports-** Track season ended well. I think the kids had a great positive experience! I've been getting the coaches lined up for next year. So far I have them all except for flag football.

**Summer Schedule** - I'll be around most of the summer and be at the school quite a bit getting some projects done here. Some classrooms need painted and rearranged. I'll be here to make sure things are ready in a timely manner for next year.

Some of my summer projects

- Substitute Teacher handbook
- Staff handbook
- Update Student handbook
- Collecting standards for teachers to prepare new grading system

- Inputting information into Infinite Campus for classes and teachers

I would like to schedule a day to work on the athletic field. If any of you are available to help, please let me know.

**Summer happenings-**

June 6-10 Explorer’s camp

June 11- Summer reading program begins and will be every Monday 9-11 am.

June 18-22 Explorer’s camp

August 1-5 Basketball camp

August 8-12 Explorer’s camp

August 22 & 23 Teacher’s PIR

August 29 1st day of school

**Board Professional Development Reports**

Gary, Kelsy and Craig attended the 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation. Kelsy and Cliff did negotiations and 4H. And Craig reviewed the Board Packet prior to the meeting.

**School Board Calendar**

All approvals and agenda items have been completed for the 2015-2016 school year.

**Principals Negotiation, MOU & Contract**

Jason moved to approve the 2016-2017 employment contract for Angie Williams. Craig seconded the motion. **Passed 5-0**

Kelsy moved to approve the MOU for \$1,000 for the 2015-2016 school year. Jason seconded the motion. **Passed 5-0**

**Clerks Negotiation & Contract**

With the addition of the hourly rate inserted in the contract, Kelsy moved to approve the 2016-2017 employment contract for Jill Thornton. Jason seconded the motion. **Passed 5-0**

**Personnel**

Angie Williams recommended the board hire DeAnn Fredrickson for our 2016-2017 school year teaching position.

Kelsy moved to hire DeAnn Fredrickson as a teacher for the 2016-2017 school year. Gary seconded the motion. **Passed 5-0**

**Out of District Agreements MF, CJ, HJ, BS and GS**

Jason moved to approve the Out of District Agreements for MF, CJ, HJ, BS and GS for the 2016-2017 school year. Craig seconded the motion. **Passed 5-0**

**Credit Card for Sarah Schmill**

Kelsy moved to approve a credit card for Sarah Schmill. Craig seconded the motion. **Passed 5-0**

**FY 2014-2015 Audit**

Gary moved to approve the 2014-2015 audit. Jason seconded the motion. **Passed 5-0**

**FY 2015-2016 Audit Contract**

Kelsy moved to approve the 2015-2016 audit contract. Jason seconded the motion. **Passed 5-0**

**Bus Routes**

Kelsy moved to approve the 2016-2017 bus routes. Craig seconded the motion. **Passed 5-0**

**Board Meetings**

Jason moved to approve holding an end of year board meeting on June 27, 2016 at 7 pm. Kelsy seconded the motion. **Passed 5-0**

Gary moved to cancel the July board meeting. Craig seconded the motion. **Passed 5-0**

**Adjourn**

Board Chair Vann adjourned the Board meeting at 8:25 pm.

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Cliff Vann, Chair

date

Jill M Thornton, Clerk

date