



Potomac Elementary School

School Board Minutes

for

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

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) None

Consent Agenda

Warrant Lists – Total Claims = \$4,057.63, Total Payroll = \$17,358.92

Business Cards – Included in Total Claims noted.

Petty Cash – Supplemental to monthly warrants used between Board Meetings – Reimbursed thru Claims.

Extracurricular (Student Accounts) – Beg. Balance July 1, 2015 - \$30,364.59; End Balance July 31, 2015 - \$21,364.59

Craig moved to approve the consent agenda with a correction to class of 2016 entries that should have been class of 2015. Gary seconded the motion. **Passed 5-0**

Principals Report

SAM- I attended the School Administrator's of Montana (SAM) conference in Helena on July 28-29. There were some interesting speakers and great opportunities to network with other principals and superintendents across the state.

Sports- Volleyball will begin the first week of school. The first game is on the 14th at Frenchtown. We are looking for someone to help coach flag football. I'll be going to the coaches' meeting on the 26th to schedule games if we find a coach.

Explorer's- August 3-7, Kristina Davis and Nancy Linnell presented a camp on cooking and physical activity. This week, the 10th-14th, Kristina and Crissina Quinn are presenting the robotics camp.

Library- The Summer Reading Program has been very well attended and a pleasure to see here at Potomac. Grandma Maureen has had a different presentation every week that the kids all enjoy. Last week, Deputy Hanson, came and spoke to the kids, showed his equipment and truck and answered questions they had. The last day will be the 25th in which there is a picnic planned.

Bus- Tim Johnson notified us that Corvallis was selling a 2000 Bluebird bus, 4WD, 126,748 miles starting bid of \$6000. We would be able to transport students to games, field trips and Explorer's trips. Right now it's an 18-passenger bus with a chair lift for ADA compliance. Jill talked to the Corvallis shop manager who is willing to put in enough seats for a 27- passenger capacity. I sent in a bid of \$6300 and will keep you notified.

PIR- The teacher's first two days of school will be August 24-25th. With some new staff members coming on board, I am looking at professional development on safety plan training and positive behavior/bullying management.

The first day of school is August 31st. Open House is September 17th, so mark your calendars!
MCEL is October 15 & 16 in Billings

The student handbook needs some rewriting. Kelsy said she would work with Angie

Board Professional Development Reports

Jason said his daughters thought the Explorers camp that Kristina Davis and Nancy Linnell ran was the best they ever had. Jason & Kelly worked with the staff on the Clerk and Pace Contracts. And Craig has been working with 4H, and attended the Osprey game for the Class of 2016.

Athletic Complex Update

The work on the Athletic Field is set to start in 7 to 10 days. Kelsy asked if the school had received proof of insurance from our contractor, and was it verified. We did and Gary verified it.

Clerk and PACE Contracts

Kelsy moved to approve the Clerks contract for 2015-2016. Jason seconded the motion. **Passed 4-1**

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

Trustees Financial Summary FY 2014-2015

Jason moved to approve the Trustees Financial Summary FY 2014-2015. Kelsy seconded the motion. **Passed 5-0**

School Funds – State generated Budget Report FY 2015-2016

Jason moved to approve the State generated Budget Report FY 2015-2016. Kelsy seconded the motion. **Passed 5-0**

Personnel

Angie recommended rehiring Gail Abbott, Diane James, Kathleen Kimmel, Janette Ployhar, Mandee Preston and Victoria Richardson for the 2015-2016 school year.

Craig moved to rehire Gail Abbott, Diane James, Kathleen Kimmel, Janette Ployhar, Mandee Preston and Victoria Richardson for the 2015-2016 school year. Jason seconded the motion. **Passed 5-0**

Appointment of Authorized 15-16 Representative to Missoula Area Education Coop Advisory Board

Gary moved to appoint Angie Williams as our Authorized 15-16 representative to the Missoula Area Education Coop Advisory Board. Jason seconded the motion. **Passed 5-0**

Cliff Vann set a working meeting for August 31st at 5 pm.

Adjourn

Chair Vann adjourned the Board meeting at 9:04 pm.