



# 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.”*

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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, Jason Nordberg and Kelsy Ployhar. Angie Williams, Principal and Jill Thornton, Clerk were also in attendance.

**Public Input** (for issues not on the agenda) None.

### Consent Agenda

Warrant Lists – Total Claims = \$21,877.75. Total Payroll = \$63,894.53

Business Cards – Included in Total Claims noted.

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

Extracurricular (Student Accounts) –On Dec 1, 2016 - \$30,415.70 thru Dec 31, 2016 - \$31,241.60

Jason moved to approve the consent agenda. Gary seconded the motion. **Passed 4-0**

### Teacher Presentations

*Sarah Schmill* is teaching a class on Chimes. This year they performed their music at the Community Medical Center, the Missoula Senior Center and the Mall. There are usually more students that can participate in her class due to the number of chimes the school owns and the number she can borrow. First choice for taking the class is given to the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades, with the possibility of 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade depending on the number of students.

Cliff asked what it would cost to add more chimes to our sets. Sarah said the chimes cost approximately \$1,800 per set of 10, and another set would go a long way to reaching more of the students who would like to participate.

*Raynee Clairmont* teaches PE, Music (with Drama), Art, Typing, Reading and Math (graphing/proportions). Now she is adding Archery to that list! When asked about needs for her classes, she said additional art supplies for 2<sup>nd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade would be great.

### Principals Report

**Winter program-** The winter program was a great success. Thanks to Ms. Clairmont, Ms. Burtch and all the staff for working so hard on it!

**Grants-** We've received a grant for \$1500 from Missoula Electric to purchase technology.

**Adult Education-** I've scheduled Steve Thompson to come teach an Avalanche Awareness class on February 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>. This will be a Friday evening class at the Community Center and a Saturday field day.

**Sports-** Girls basketball season begins January 30<sup>th</sup>. Dawn Downs will be coaching.

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I plan to attend a Mandt training with Ms. Burtch in Kalispell on Friday, January 6. The Mandt System is an approach to preventing and de-escalating problem behaviors. I'll just be taking the one class, but Ms. Burtch will be taking a second class to receive certification.

On the 18<sup>th</sup>, I also will be attending a training in Missoula on the McKinney-Vento Act and changes that effect school districts. This act is a federal law that ensures that homeless students are given enrollment and educational stability immediately. As the Homeless Liaison for our school, I am required to take training periodically.

- January 10- Two Valley Stage performance-Maracuja 1:00-1:45
- January 19- End of 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter
- January 20- Teacher work day-report cards
- January 23- Miss Montana visit 8:15
- February 10- Teacher work day-Kathleen Dent- Standards Based Grading
- February 10-11 Avalanche Awareness Class

**Clerks Report** No Report.

**Board Professional Development Reports**

Jason attended the Christmas Program and reviewed the Board Packet with Jill. Kelsy participated in the Archery program.

**Personnel**

Jason moved to offer Angie Williams a contract for the 2017-2018 school year. Gary seconded the motion. **Passed 4-0**

**Adjourn**

Chair Vann adjourned the Board meeting at 7:32 pm.

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Cliff Vann, Chair date Jill M Thornton, Clerk date