

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MINUTES**

DATE: Tuesday, January 13, 2009

WHERE: PCMS

Members Present: *James Bell, Shelly Bennett, Adam Cookson, Amy D'Augostine, Heidi Dow, Blaire Fagan, Carrie Fellows, Cinthia Hoak, Anita Kain, Keith Kendall, George Nuite, Charles Woodmancy, and Student Council Member Derek McKenney.*

Members Absent: *Brydie Armstrong, David Bridges, John Cartwright, Patricia Izbicki, Donna Littlefield, Michelle Ward, and Student Council Member Constance Glynn*

Also Present: *Trisha Kurt, Julie Orton, Virginia Rebar, Crystal Priest, Jim Chasse and Paul Stearns.*

Call to Order: *The meeting was called to order by George Nuite at 7:00 p.m.*

Approval of Minutes: *A motion was made by Adam Cookson and seconded by Charles Woodmancy that the minutes of the December 9, 2008 Board of Directors meeting be approved as printed.*

Vote: Yes ~ 12 No ~ 0 Ab. ~ 0 Student Council: Yes ~ 1 No ~ 0 Ab. ~ 0

Public Forum: *Bill Hume from Guilford addressed the Board regarding "transition." He encouraged the Board to take risks, to continue to advocate for children, and to not fall into the "mediocrity trap" of consolidation. He also spoke to the inability of the state and federal government to manage money.*

Correspondence: *Paul Bridge – RPC Chair – suggested that the Board look at putting out a newsletter to inform the public of their position on consolidation following this evenings vote. Mr. Bridge also suggested that the consolidation law is designed to take over the schools. He suggested that there are fundamental legal issues regarding several components of the law. He also suggested that the Board explore an alternative organizational structure should the RPC vote fail. He said that the AOS, and several components of the AOS, came along too late in the process for the RPC to consider.*

Educational Reports: *Ms. Rebar handed out packets and gave the Board a comprehensive overview of the Gifted and Talented Program (packet attached).*

1. Adjustment to Agenda: *none*

2. Approval of the PCHS Music Dept. Trip to "Music in the Park" in Massachusetts:

A motion was made by Anita Kain and seconded by Shelly Bennett that the Board of Directors sanctions a PCHS "Music in the Park" trip to Massachusetts for the PCHS Music Department.

Mr. Tomlinson addressed the Board and explained the details of the trip. The trip will include the chorus, band, and quite likely the jazz band. He also spoke about the details of hosting the District V Festival.

Vote: Yes ~ 12 No ~ 0 Ab. ~ 0 Student Council: Yes ~ 1 No ~ 0 Ab. ~ 0

3. Approval of the PCHS Key Club Trip to Springfield, Massachusetts:

A motion was made by Anita Kain and seconded by Shelly Bennett that the Board of Directors sanctions a PCHS Key Club trip to Springfield, Massachusetts.

Derek McKenney gave the details of the convention plans while Cody Tracy provided moral support.

Vote: Yes ~ 12 No ~ 0 Ab. ~ 0 Student Council: Yes ~ 1 No ~ 0 Ab. ~ 0

4. Does the Board of Directors Support the Reorganization Plan?

A motion was made by Adam Cookson and seconded by Anita Kain for the Board of Directors ***not*** to support the Reorganization Plan?

Vote: Yes ~ 12 No ~ 0 Ab. ~ 0 Student Council: Yes ~ 1 No ~ 0 Ab. ~ 0

5. Student Council Report: *Attached*

6. TCTC Report: *none*

7. RPC Report: *none*

8. Adult Education Report: *none*

9. Committee Report: *none*

10. Administrative Reports: *Attached*

Jim Chasse added that the wrestling meet in Hermon was very successful. APEX Learning (review for AP exams) is being implemented. A faculty effort to raise money at Christmas time was very successful.

Mrs. Kurt mentioned the highlights of the positive special education review. She provided a copy of the report to board members (attached).

Ms. Rebar reported on the MYDAUS survey results (Substance Abuse Survey). She also gave an update on the growing parent group at PCMS.

11. Chairperson's Report: *Mr. Nuite asked the Board to remind people to vote on the 27th.*

12. Superintendent's Report: *Attached*

13. Yearly Evaluation of Middle School Principal:

A motion was made by James Bell and seconded by Heidi Dow that the Board of Directors go into executive session for the purpose of evaluating the Middle School Principal pursuant to M.R.S.A. § 405 (6)(A).

(Anita Kain left prior to Executive Session)

Vote: Yes ~ 10 No ~ 0 Ab. ~ 0

Time In: 8:30 Time Out: 9:05

Action: A motion was made by Amy D'Augostine and seconded by Charles Woodmancy that the Board of Directors extend the middle school principal's contract to June of 2012.

Vote: Yes ~ 10 No ~ 0 Ab. ~ 0

- 14. Adjournment:** A motion was made by Shelly Bennett and seconded by Amy D'Augostine to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Vote: Yes ~ 10 No ~ 0 Ab. ~ 0

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul A. Stearns
Superintendent of Schools
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