

PULASKI ACADEMY AND CENTRAL SCHOOL
TOWNS OF RICHLAND, SANDY CREEK AND ALBION

Date:	December 13, 2016	Kind of Meeting:	Regular
Where Held:	High School Library	Presiding Officer:	Joel Southwell

Board Members Present:	Joel Southwell Bill Wood Tom Tighe Joe McGrath Todd Masuicca Darcy McCarty	Absent:	Jan Hefti
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Others Present:

Brian Hartwell, Pamela McCrobie, Sheilla Roth, Kristen Foland, Sue Lohret, Paula Brillo, Mike Bateson, Ted Williams, Chris Todd, Thomas Gibbons, Carolyn Blount, Meg Woods, Leonard Sperino, Jeffrey Lavezzo

1. President Southwell called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Reports and Comments

a) Creating Regional Capacity and Support – Chris Todd

Mr. Todd thanked Dr. Hartwell and the Board for allowing him to speak at the meeting. Mr. Todd spoke about the 2017-2018 budget projection, stating that things were “not great”. He wanted to invite the district to participate in a study that would provide data to the BOCES to make future decisions about the school districts in the county.

b) Lura M. Sharp – Local Assistance Plan: Update

Sue Lohret presented a PowerPoint on the status of the LAP. Data was presented to the Board showing the continued growth of elementary students in the areas of math, ELA, and science. Ms. Lohret gave recognition to the extended day program discussing the skills that are being focused on and how these will follow students throughout their education. Child Centered Collaboration Team meets weekly for problem-solving designing interventions using data.

c) Boys and Girls Club – Carolyn Blount

Carolyn Blount provided information to the Board about the Boys and Girls Club of America. Ms. Blount is interested in establishing a club in Pulaski. She explained the services and benefits of the organization and said that the first step in starting a club is to establish community interest. She will be starting a steering committee and invited any interested person to please contact her.

d) Capital Project Update

- Work in the gymnasium is substantially complete with the exception of replacing the Middle School wall pads.
- The hardware for the access control system is scheduled to be completed over the December break.
- Other completed work includes the fire alarm system and addressing the punch list items.

- Elementary School handrail installation was postponed.
- Training for the new boiler system will be provided.
- The capacity of the new bleachers was discussed.

e) Public Comments - None

f) District News

Lura M. Sharp –

- 4th and 5th Grade Chorus performed their Holiday concert on December 12th.
- UPK to 3rd Holiday Concert is on December 20th at 1:00 PM (UPK-1) and 2:00 PM (2-3)
- The gym has been open and classes have been using the gym. On Monday, December 19th we are beginning a morning walk/run in the gym from 8:10 to 8:30. Each grade level is assigned a morning to run/walk in the gym upon arrival at school. This provides our students with additional physical activity before their busy school day of learning begins. Thank you to Rich and Krista on working together to make it happen.
- Early dismissal day is on December 23rd before vacation, and is also traditional day of caroling in the morning and pajama day.
- Next Month a parent night with Author Julia Cook will be held Jan. 18th, so plan now to attend. We will be sure to get details out to families soon.

Middle School -

- The Middle School Band/Chorus Concert – will be on Wednesday, December 21st: 6th grade 6:30, 7-8 grade 7:30.
- This Friday, Middle School *Holiday Hangout* from 3 - 6:00. There is a Dance (music provided by DJ Club), snacks and games in the cafeteria, the movie ELF will be shown in the Auditorium, and games such as basketball and soccer in the gym. High School students will be on hand to facilitate games service hours. This was facilitated through our Middle School Student Government and is a fundraiser for yearbook. Students will be charged \$3.00 at the door, or \$2.00 with a canned good to help families in need. The *Holiday Hangout* replaces the dance that was scheduled on the calendar for Friday night.
- Amy Ladue's 6th grade computer class is making a connection with 6th grade students in Turkey. They are in the process of becoming pen pals with students through google docs.
- The Middle School Scholastic Book Fair was a success again this year. They took in \$1323.07 and can also order \$615.69 from their catalog. Special thanks go to Mrs. Darcy McCarty, her mom, Mrs. Darcy Stevens, and Mrs. Shelley Senator who volunteered their time to help make the fair a success.
- WCNY offers a program called Enterprise America. The program involves classroom instruction followed by a day spent at the Enterprise America city where they apply STEM, and financial and civic literacy skills they have learned in the classroom to run the city's 14 businesses and City Hall. They become business entrepreneurs and employees, consumers and citizens. We are excited to announce that they have offered us full tuition this year to support our 8th grade students attending this powerful program.

Pulaski High School -

- Mrs. LaDue registered her business class students for the H&R Block Budget Challenge. This was 10 week competition among over 100,000 students nationally. Sophie Lawrence placed in the top 96.52 percentile achieving a Top Honors Certificate.
- Mrs. LaDue coordinated a Pulaski and Red Creek job interview competition. Students created letters, resumes, completed job applications and interviews with professionals in the work force. Thanks you to Dr. Hartwell, Sandra McCullough, Fulton Companies HR Director Mr. Ranous, and the

Red Creek Assistant Principal Patrick Wallace for conducting interviews. The students were also given a "Dress for Success" presentation by *Mens' Warehouse*.

- Thanks to Mrs. Evans for organizing our November CiTi BOCES presentation about programming for our 10th graders, and for taking the 10th graders to the CiTi campus on December 1st for a tour and visit. The kids came back excited about the programs and offerings.
- The HS once again held its annual NHS Blood Drive. This was a successful community service initiative organized by the PACS NHS club.
- The HS has developed our PACS Leadership Team for our DTSDE analysis and work. The team has met twice (11/29; 12/8) and we have reviewed with our district Vision and Mission Statements, and have created two mantras to bring to the building staff. Our next meeting is scheduled for 12/21 where we will begin work on our governing values for the building.
- Mr. Scott Fitch came to the HS and spoke to students in grades 9-12 about responsible use of social media and digital citizenship. The presentation was excellent and well received by our student body. Kudos to Trista VanDuzer for organizing this program for our kids.

g) CITI News

Ted Williams reported for CiTi. He said that budget planning is beginning. He discussed the rising interest in the Outdoor Equipment program at CiT which includes logging, milling lumber, and tree filling. There has been significant input from local logging services due to the need for qualified employees in this field.

4. Minutes

a) November 8, 2016 – Regular Meeting

Moved by Mr. Masuicca, seconded by Mrs. McCarty to approve the November 8, 2016 minutes as presented.

Vote: Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion: Carried

5. Action Items

a) Minimum Wage Increase

Moved by Mr. McGrath, seconded by Mr. Masuicca to increase the Minimum Wage as presented.

Vote: Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion: Carried

b) Substitute Wage Increase

Moved by Mrs. McCarty, seconded by Mr. Tighe to increase the Substitute Wages as presented.

Vote: Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion: Carried

c) Club Reinstatement

Moved by Mr. McGrath, seconded by Mr. Tighe to reinstate the Athletic Club as presented.

Vote: Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion: Carried

c) Contract Amendment

Moved by Mr. Wood, seconded by Mr. Masuicca to amend the agreement between the Pulaski Academy & Central School District and C&S Engineers, Inc. as presented.

Vote: Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion: Carried

Moved by Mrs. McCarty, seconded by Mr. Masuicca to approve the Financial Items as presented.

Vote: Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion: Carried

e) 2017-2018 Budget Timeline

2017-18
Budget Timeline

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
December 13, 2016	Adoption of Budget Timeline
December 2016	Administrator's budget recommendations
January 10, 2017	Discussion of budget parameters with BOE
February 15, 2017	Present first run budget to BOE
March 1, 2017	Tax Levy Limit Filing Date
March 7, 2017	Budget Worksession
March 14, 2017	Discuss budget with BOE
March 31, 2017	Annual meeting notice published in SRN (1)
April 11, 2017	Adopt proposed budget
	Appoint election inspectors
April 17, 2017	Deadline for nominating petitions to District Clerk – 4:00 p.m. 4:15 p.m. Poll Drawing for ballot order
April 21, 2017	Latest date to adopt budget
	Latest date to transmit Property Tax Report Card to SED
	Annual meeting notice published in SRN (2)
April 25, 2017 (Tuesday)	Vote on BOCES Administrative Budget
April 28, 2017	Annual meeting notice published in SRN (3)
	Send Property Tax Report Card to local paper
May 5, 2017	Tentative Budget Brochure Mailing
	Mail Budget Notice
May 9, 2017	Regular Board Meeting
	Budget Hearing
	Copies of budget and School Report Card made available
May 12, 2017	Annual meeting notice published in SRN (4)
May 16, 2017	Vote

Moved by Mr. Masuicca, seconded by Mr. Wood to approve the Budget Timeline as presented with a Budget Workshop scheduled for March 7, 2017 at 6:00 P.M.

Vote: Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion: Carried

9. Superintendent's Report

- a) EBALR funds and options
- b) Middle School and High School DTSDE Reports

10. Adjourn to Executive Session

Moved by Mr. McGrath, seconded by Mr. Masuicca to adjourn to Executive Session at 8:40 P.M.

Vote: Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion: Carried

Moved by Ms. McCarty, seconded by Mr. Tighe to end Executive Session at 9:20 P.M.

Vote: Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion: Carried

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Moved by Mr. Wood, seconded by Mr. Masuicca to adjourn at 9:20 P.M.

Vote: Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion: Caried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela J. McCrobie
District Clerk