

The Board of Education of Pratt Unified School District 382 met in regular session on Monday, January 8, 2024 in the temporary Administrative Center at 227 S. Howard. President Bill Bergner called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m.

REGULAR SESSION

MEMBERS PRESENT

Board members present:

- Bill Bergner-
- Donna Hoener-Queal -Absent
- Chris Drake.
- Michelle Ferbert
- Tim Barker-
- Jeremy Demuth
- Jennifer Hopkins

OTHERS ATTENDING

Administration present:

- Tony Helfrich, Superintendent of Schools
- David Schmidt, Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum Director-
- Steve Blankenship, Pratt High School Principal/Assistant Supt. of CTE
- David Swank, Pratt High School Assistant Principal/Athletic Director
- Stephanie Thompson, Liberty Middle School Principal
- Kirsten Blankenship, Southwest Elementary Principal
- Ryan Creadick, Southwest Elementary Assistant Principal
- David Inslee, Maintenance Director

GUESTS

Guests

- Joy Schmidt
- Shane McGreevy

MOTION APPROVE AGENDA

Chris Drake moved and Jeremy Demuth seconded to approve the agenda, with the removal of the PCC track facility presentation.

ACTION: 6/0

MOTION APPROVE MINUTES

Jeremy Demuth moved and Michelle Ferbert seconded to approve the minutes of the December 11, 2023 Regular Meeting.

ACTION: 6/0

Presentations:

Press Box memorial Presentation: Shane McGreevy discussed Jason May memorial.

MOTION APPROVE FINANCIAL

Jennifer Hopkins moved and Jeremy Demuth seconded to approve the payment of bills, treasurer and financial reports.

ACTION: 6/0

REPORTS

Chris Drake:

SCKSEC

Chris discussed the last SCKSEC board meeting. Chris served as the acting president.

Donna Hoener Queal: Absent

GOVT' REL

There was discussion about the Special Legislative task force and special education funding.

David Inslee: Absent

FACILITIES

The superintendent read a highlight list of maintenance items from David Inslee.

David Schmidt

CURRICULUM

- State Assessments
- Camera installation complete
- Radios and swipe stations in February
- Intermediate Center meetings
- Kindergarten round up

Tony Helfrich:

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1. Bond Project Update–Food Service reserve funds will be used to buy kitchen equipment for the renovated kitchen because it will have more capacity than originally budgeted. The northwest entrance to the SW north parking lot is expected to close earlier in order to accommodate dirt and concrete work.
2. Intermediate Principal/Curriculum Director process update–a BOE/admin interview committee and a teacher/staff committee are being put together to interview candidates. Interviews are expected for later January.
3. Pratt Academic Center renaming–Discussion regarding a later business item was to rename the renovated old high school because of its changing purpose.
4. Calendar and Preschool start date–The calendar committee is beginning to meet and the Superintendent sought consensus to set the start of preschool for after Labor Day in an effort to provide some buffer time to fully set up the new space.
5. Work Session: Graduation requirements (staffing), child care center, strategic plan review

New Business:

Jeremy Demuth moved and Chris Drake seconded to approve BOE policy updates as presented.

MOTION
APPROVE BOE
POLICY UPDATES

ACTION:6/0

After discussion of the proposal,
Chris Drake moved and Jennifer Hopkins seconded the addition of an
Early Childhood Director supplemental administrative position

MOTION
APPROVE
ECD position

ACTION:6/0

Jennifer Hopkins moved and Michelle Ferbert seconded to approve
The Pratt Academic Center as the official name for the building formerly titled
the Academic Center of Excellence

MOTION
NEW BUILDING
Name

ACTION: 6/0

EXECUTIVE SESSION-PERSONNEL

Executive session for the exception relating to Personnel under KOMA

**EXECUTIVE
SESSION**

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discuss personnel pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA and
that the open meeting shall resume at 6:35 pm in the boardroom."

"I,Jennifer Hopkins, seconded the motion."

ACTION:6/0

Open Meeting: 6:35

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discuss personnel pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA and
that the open meeting shall resume at 6:40 pm in the boardroom."

"I,Jennifer Hopkins, seconded the motion."

ACTION:6/0

Open Meeting: 6:40

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that the open meeting shall resume at 6:45 pm in the boardroom."

"I,Jennifer Hopkins, seconded the motion."

ACTION:6/0

Open Meeting: 6:45

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"I,Chris Drake, seconded the motion."

ACTION:6/0

Open Meeting: 6:50 pm

Chris Drake moved and Jennifer Hopkins seconded to approve the personnel updates as listed.

MOTION
APPROVE
PERSONNEL
CHANGES

Lindsey Bergner	PHS ELA Teacher	New Hire
Lindsey Bergner	PHS Head Forensics	Replaces McGraw/Poort
Head Forensics Combo		
Angela McGraw	PHS Assistant Forensics	Resigns ½ Head Forensics/
Retains Assistant Forensics		
Elizabeth Poort	PHS Assistant Forensics	Resigns ½ Head Forensics/
Retains Assistant Forensics		
Nicole Morgan	SW Assistant Secretary	Resignation
Kirsten Blankenship	Dist. Early Childcare Director	Admin Stipend

ACTION: 6/0

OTHER BUSINESS: BOE WORK SESSION
Wednesday January 10th
5-6:30 pm

Chris Drake moved for adjournment at 6:54 pm Jeremy Demuth seconded.

MOTION
ADJOURN

ACTION: 6/0

Clerk, Board of Education #382