

**Penobscot School Committee Meeting**  
**Monday, January 9, 2017 – 6:00PM**  
**Penobscot Community School**  
**Minutes**

A. Call to Order – Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chair, Jerry Markley, followed by the salute to the flag.

Members Present: James Goodman, Charles Brenton, Jerry Markley, Fred Briehl, Anne Hayes-Grillo arrived at 6:06pm

Members Absent:

Others Present: Mark Hurvitt, Allen Cole, Michele Charette, Darcy Currier, Dawn Robbins, Susan Varnum, Sheila Irvine, Monique Labbe (Reporter for Penobscot Bay Press)

B. Flag Salute

C. Approval of the Minutes of the December 12, 2016 and December 19, 2016 meetings

A motion was made by Fred Briehl, seconded by Jim Goodman, to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2016 and December 19, 2016 meetings. Motion passed 4-0.

D. Communications (Anne Hayes-Grillo arrived at 6:06pm)

Dawn Robbins, Curriculum Coordinator – MEA Results

Dawn went over Penobscot's March 2016 MEA scores, grades 3-8. Penobscot did phenomenally: 34<sup>th</sup> of 183 in Math; 10<sup>th</sup> of 188 in English/Language Arts. The Board felt that the school deserves some much-needed positive P.R.

E. Approval of the Agenda

A motion was made by Charles Brenton, seconded by Jim Goodman, to approve the agenda after adding I6 (Executive Session Pursuant to MRSA § 405(6)(A) to Discuss Hourly Personnel Salaries) Motion passed 5-0.

F. Comments and Questions from the Public

None.

G. Reports

1. GSA Report

Headmaster, Tim Seeley, may visit the Penobscot Board.

2. Principal's Report

The Principal's Report was handed out and is attached to the office minutes.

3. Superintendent's Report

1. Next meeting is January 12, 2017 at 5:00 to discuss the 2017-2018 budget.

2. Mr. Hurvitt brought Town Meeting spreadsheets on: cost per student; EPS; teacher salary

4. Other Reports

None.

H. Old Business

None

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**New Business**

**I. New Business**

**1. Hiring Process for Teaching Principal**

The Board discussed the process and Michele Charette weighed in for the teachers. Mark Hurvitt will have a written proposal for the January 12, 2017 meeting.

**2. Kindergarten Screening Policy # 2205 – Second Reading**

A motion was made by Jim Goodman, seconded by Charles Brenton, to approve the policy.  
Motion passed 5-0.

**3. 2017-2018 Budget Review and Discussion**

Sheila Irvine, Special Education Director, went over all of the special education lines.

**4. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip Plan**

There are 4 8<sup>th</sup> graders/ 3 boys and 1 girl. They are considering a Boston trip of 2 nights and 3 days; Red Sox game included. They will have a proposal for the Board in March.

**5. Acknowledge Receipt of Penobscot School Department Financial Statements with Independent Auditor's Report for FY Ending June 30, 2016.**

A motion was made by Jim Goodman, seconded by Fred Briehl, to acknowledge receipt of the audit.  
Motion passed 5-0.

**6. Executive Session Pursuant to MRSA § 405 (6)(A) for Discussion to Approve Hourly Salaries**

A motion was made by Fred Briehl, seconded by Charles Brenton, to enter Executive Session at 7:41pm. Exited Executive Session at 8:15pm with the following action:

A motion was made by Charles Brenton, seconded by Fred Briehl, to approve hourly salaries as discussed in Executive Session.  
Motion passed 5-0.

**J. Signing of Vouchers**

Completed.

**K. Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned by Chair, Jerry Markley, at 8:16pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Hurvitt  
Superintendent