

**Penobscot School Committee Meeting**  
**Monday, August 14, 2017 – 6:00PM**  
**Penobscot Community School**  
**Minutes**

A. Call to Order – Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 5:55 p.m. by Chair, Jerry Markley, followed by the salute to the flag.

Members Present: Jerry Markley, Charles Brenton, Fred Briehl, Anne Hayes-Grillo

Members Absent: James Goodman

Others Present: Dawn McLaughlin Robbins, Principal Jay Corbin

B. Flag Salute

C. Approval of the Minutes of the July 10, 2017 Meeting

A motion was made by Fred Briehl, seconded by Charles Brenton, to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2017 meeting. Motion passed 4-0.

None.

E. Approval of the Agenda

A motion was made by Charles Brenton, seconded by Fred Briehl, to approve the agenda. Motion passed 4-0.

F. Comments and Questions from the Public

None.

G. Reports

1. GSA Report - Headmaster, Tim Seeley

None.

2. Principal's Report

Jay Corbin reported several things:

- Summer school was awesome – 17 out of 40 attended. Averaged 12-13 kids per day. Susan Varnum did hands-on based gardening and sewing. Volunteers were headed by Mrs. Brenton.
- Jay Corbin reviewed the MEA results from 2015-16 and 2016-17 to “brag up the teachers!”
- Jay has met with Maine Outdoor School – possible team lessons that revolve around standards and leadership.
- 1/3 of students doing sewing club
- Chandra Bisberg suggested the greenhouse as a project for use of the Wardwell donation
- Paving should be done this week
- Swingset will be removed and replaced with Chris K funds
- Can swingset be transplanted to the Jim Henry field? And would there be a liability concern for the school department if the swingset becomes town property?

3. Superintendent's Report

None.

4. Other Reports

None.

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H. Old Business

None

I. New Business

1. Punch List from Sewall Report

Punch list is not completed at this time.

2. Possible Use of Nathan Wardwell Donation

The donation was \$5,000.00 and was accepted at a prior Board meeting. A suggestion was to: bus 5-8 grade students to Temple Blackwood's shop in the late fall during the school day. He would be instructing them in the use of tools.

3. Certification Support Team Report

Noted. There were several questions in which Dawn McLaughlin Robbins was able to answer.

4. Approve School Year 2017-2018 Handbook

Tabled until September meeting to give Board members time to review.

5. Approve School Physician for 2017-2018 School Year (Dr. Marjorie Olivari)

A motion was made by Fred Briehl, seconded by Charles Brenton, to approve Dr. Olivari as the School Physician for the 2017-2018 school year. Motion passed 4-0.

6. 2017-2018 Board Goals

A couple of suggestions: 1) Make community more aware of the good things that are happening at the school and 2) Eliminate Chris K 5-K

Fred Briehl will make changes and bring to September meeting for review.

7. Appoint New Hires

1) Charles Brenton will be on the union nurse hiring committee

2) Special Education Director position needs to be a union committee – Jerry Markley will represent the Penobscot Board.

8. Approve 2017-2018 School Lunch Prices

A motion was made by Fred Briehl, seconded by Charles Brenton, to approve the 2017-2018 school lunch prices:

Student Lunch	\$2.65
Reduced Lunch	.40
Adult Lunch	\$6.60
All Other Milk	.30
Student Breakfast	.50
Reduced Breakfast	.00
Adult Breakfast	\$2.25

Motion passed 4-0.

9. Bus Request

A motion was made by Anne Hayes-Grillo, seconded by Fred Briehl, to approve the bus request from Jennifer and Darin Gray for their daughter, Olivia Gray, to ride the bus to Bucksport High School.

Motion passed 4-0.

**New Business (continued)**

9. Bus Request (cont'd)

There may be another bus request to Mark Hurvitt. The Superintendent is allowed to make the decision until the next school board meeting if the request is received.

10. Coaching Nominations

Susan Varnum was approved as the Sewing Circle (club)advisor;

A motion was made by Anne Hayes-Grillo, seconded by Fred Briel, for Michele Charette as Athletic Director; Motion passed 4-0

A motion was made by Charles Brenton, seconded by Anne Hayes-Grillo, for Jason Lepper as the "B" soccer coach; Motion passed 4-0

A motion was made by Charles Brenton, seconded by Anne Hayes-Grillo, for Darcy Currier as the "A" soccer coach. Motion passed 4-0.

11. Add Drama Stipend

A motion was made by Fred Briehl, seconded by Anne Hayes-Grillo, to give preliminary approval to the drama stipend, pending Mr. Hurvitt finding money in the budget (suggestion was that only \$766.83 was spent on desks, leaving \$673.17 in that budget line) or it could come from contingency.

Motion passed 4-0.

J. Signing of Vouchers

Completed.

K. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned by Chair, Jerry Markley, at 6:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn McLaughlin Robbins  
Superintendent Designee