Board of Education Special Meeting  
March 25, 2019 7:00 PM  
PPMS Library

1. **Call to Order**  
Sean Nugent; Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 7PM. Other Members Present: Deborah Burke-Grabarek, Cindy Luty, Ed Gauthier, Tom Turner, Dan Harris and Charles Raymond. Also present: Dr. Seitsinger; Superintendent, and Gloria Homiski; Recording Secretary.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

3. **Public Comment**  
Andy Depta: He asked for an electronic copy of the budget ASAP. He also asked to review the Business Case Proposals.

Andy Bilodeau: He also asked for a complete copy of the budget book. He did not think enough detail went out to audience members at the budget workshops.

4. **Superintendent's Report**  
PVMS Playground Re-Surfacing: John Spang stated that 6 bids were opened on March 22nd. Per Policy 3323, it was recommended that the bid be awarded to Ultiplay Parks and Playgrounds, the lowest bidder, at $39,740.00. The budget for the project was $46,718.00.

**Moved, to accept this recommendation and award the PVMS Playground Re-Surfacing bid to UltiPlay in the amount of $39,740.00. Gauthier/Luty. Unanimous. Motion Carries.**

PPMS Locker Replacements: John Spang stated that 6 bids were opened on March 22nd. Per policy 3323, it was recommended that the bid be awarded to Hertz, the lowest bidder, at $33,500.00. Even though Hertz was the lowest bidder, they were still over the $28,718.00 budget. John Spang asked the Board if they would like to vote to take the excess money from the completed gym floor project, and apply it to the lockers, to make up the cost difference. Discussion ensued.

**Moved, to accept the Hertz bid in the amount of $33,500.00 and to pay the outstanding balance of $4782.00 from the FY19 Operating Budget or as recommended by the BOF. Turner/Burke-Grabarek. Unanimous. Motion Carries.**
Non-Tenured Personnel

Moved, that pursuant to CT Gen Stat 10-151, the Preston Board of Education Non-renew the teaching contracts of those teachers who received non-renewal notices dated 3-20-2019 as recommended by the Superintendent. I further move that the Superintendent be directed to communicate this action in writing to the teachers and that the Superintendent of Schools be authorized to respond on behalf of the Board to any requests for a hearing, if required by law, or for other data which may be forthcoming from the teachers and/or their representative pursuant to applicable provisions of CT Gen Stat Section 10-151; and that the Superintendent be directed that any response to a request for a hearing, if a hearing is required by law, indicate that such hearing is to be before the Board of Education. Luty/Harris. Unanimous. Motion Carries.

BOE FY20 Proposed Budget:

Sean Nugent stated that the BOE Finance Committee held four lengthy meetings to review all budget documents. These documents were not handed out to members of the audience because they were all in draft form. Budget documents were projected on the Smartboard for audience members to see. Documents will be shared with the public once the budget moves on to the BOF.

Dr. Seitsinger presented a Powerpoint to the Board and members of the audience. He explained that the budget was linked to the Strategic Plan. He reviewed priorities and budget drivers. The Proposed FY20 Budget shows an increase of $458,195.00.

Sean Nugent went through each tab of the budget book with the Board. They reviewed numbers and information and Sean asked other Board members for any input or questions.

After this review it was recommended that the lawnmower in the FY20 Budget be purchased now with FY19 funds in the amount of $13,000.00. This would lower the FY20 budget by $13,000.00.

The Board further recommended that the FY20 Proposed Budget be reduced by an additional $15,000.00. They suggested making cuts in the following line items: cafeteria subsidy, legal expenses, supplies and administrative services. This would give the FY20 Budget a 3.64% increase over FY19. The Board recommended that the BOE FY20 Budget be presented to the BOF April 2, 2019, at 4PM in the amount of $12,261,999.00.

Moved, to approve the FY20 budget as presented in the amount of $12,261,999.00 with a 3.64% increase over FY19 and forward it to the BOF on April 2, 2019. Turner/Gauthier. Unanimous. Motion Carries.
5. Public Comment
   None

6. Adjournment
   Moved, to adjourn the meeting at 9PM. Turner/Gauthier. Unanimous. Motion Carries.