Special Called Board Minutes

DATE: September 18, 2017

PRESENT: Chair Caroline W. Doherty, Anna Barrett Smith, Robert Moore, Melinda Fagundus, Betsy Flanagan, Worth Forbes, and Benjie Forrest

ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Ethan Lenker, Cheryl Olmsted, Debra Baggett, Dr. Travis Lewis

ATTORNEY: Brian Gatchel

ABSENT: Vice Chair Mary Blount Williams, Mildred A. Council

TIME: 11:00 A.M.

PLACE: Facilities Meeting Room, 901 Sylvania Street, Winterville, NC 28590

Chair Doherty called the Special Called Board Meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

Debra Baggett, Chief Finance Officer, shared as part of the Legislation this year that \$16,855,081 was allocated to local boards of education to increase the average rates of pay for school bus drivers. Ms. Baggett stated that PCS received \$239,578 dollars to be disbursed on an equitable basis, which equates to \$.89 per hour increase including benefits, for all bus drivers. Ms. Baggett stated that pay rates must stay within a minimum and maximum amount set by the State. Ms. Baggett asked the Board to approve the pay increase, which would begin on the October paycheck. Benjie Forrest made a motion to approve the 89 cent pay increase for the bus drivers, with a second from Robert Moore. Motion to approve the pay increase passed unanimously.

Anna Barrett Smith made a motion to adjourn with a second from Benjie Forrest. Motion to adjourn passed unanimously.

<u>Adjourn:</u> Chair Doherty adjourned the meeting. Time was 11:06 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Caroline W. Doherty, Chair

Dr. Ethan Lenker, Secretary

Minutes Recorder: Carol Rankin