Regular meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Witters.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Bullock, Cournoyer, Dickson, Isbell, Paulsen, Wagle, Witters. Absent – None.

Also present: Jim Spelhaug, Christine Harvey, Mike Clingingsmith, Brian Strusz, Sheri Coder, Kevin Pennekamp, Eric Larew, and Tim Bradley.

**EXEMPT SESSION APPROVED:** Motion by Paulsen, second by Dickson that the Board hold an exempt session for the purpose of negotiations as provided in section 20.17(3) of the Code of Iowa. Roll call vote. Ayes – Paulsen, Wagle, Witters, Bullock, Cournoyer, Dickson, Isbell. Nays – none. Motion carried.

**AGENDA APPROVED:** Motion by Bullock, second by Isbell to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** President Witters welcomed everyone to the meeting. Director Cournoyer congratulated three PV (two junior high and Riverdale Heights) robotics teams for their success at Iowa State Robotics Competition where Riverdale Heights Rocks Robots took Second Place Grand Champion, the junior high MARRVStormers took third place, and coach Teresa Barber received the Outstanding Coach award. She also thanked Laura Bender and her committee for reinstating the Reflections program. Ninety-nine PV students participated in the program which concluded with an awards ceremony. She also reported that approximately one hundred people attended an informational meeting on the Trap Shooting Club.

Mr. Strusz congratulated the Science Bowl Team for placing third at the state level and the Knowledge Bowl Team for their first place win at the Quad Cities MediaCom Thinker’s Throwdown

President Witters congratulated the SEIBA band students and their band directors.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Motion by Cournoyer, second by Wagle that the consent agenda be approved as presented. All ayes. Motion carried. The consent agenda consists of, the resignation/retirement of Jane Crawford as educational aide at the high school effective the end of the 2013-2014 school year when she will have completed 16 years with the district; the resignation of Tim Dixon as high school custodian effective January 2, 2014; the transfer of Alan Arpy from 2nd shift part-time year round custodian to full-time year round custodian at the high school; the increase in Mary Akker’s Letter of Assignment as an educational aide to
5.25 hours/day at the high school; the probationary employment of Haley Coffin as a special education aide at Pleasant View effective January 27, 2014 and Anthony Walls as 2nd shift year-round part-time custodian at the high school effective January 20, 2014; the extra-curricular additions of Andrew Merrill as freshman baseball coach, Mark Wilson as assistant boys cross country coach, and Jordan Strawser as assistant girls tennis coach.

**EXPENSES APPROVED:** Motion by Wagle, second by Bullock that General Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $198,339.39 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Isbell, second by Paulsen that Nutrition Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $54,815.40 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Bullock that Elementary/Junior High Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $532.40 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Cournoyer, second by Isbell that High School Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $30,064.43 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Bullock, second by Dickson that Management Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $12,566.00 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Wagle, second by Cournoyer that PPEL Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $8,426.93 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Paulsen that Capital Projects Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $237,755.89 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paulsen, second by Dickson that Internal Service Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $92.48 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Isbell, second by Cournoyer that Trust Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $3,966.35 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING - 2014-2015 CALENDAR:** President Witters opened the public hearing on the 2014-2015 calendar at 6:12 p.m. There being no comments from the audience, the public hearing was closed at 6:13 p.m.

**UPDATE OF THE 2014-2015 CALENDAR:** Mr. Strusz pointed out one change – an inservice day previously scheduled on December 3 was moved to October 29. Dr. Spelhaug also pointed out that the district intends to calculate student contact time on an hours formula (versus days), should the legislature not act to amend how days will be calculated moving forward.

Previously established were these important dates.

**Recommended 2014-15 Calendar**

- Wednesday, August 13, 2014 – First day of school
- Sunday, December 21, 2014 through Friday, January 2, 2015 – Winter Break
- Sunday, March 15, 2015 through Friday, March 20, 2015 – Spring Break
- Wednesday, May 27, 2015 Last day of school (provided no weather days)

**APPROVAL OF TEACHER LEADERSHIP GRANT APPLICATION:** The two co-leaders of the district’s grant writing team Eric Larew, PVCHS English/Language Arts teacher, and Kevin Pennekamp, PVJH Dean of Students, along with Brian Strusz and Sheri Coder discussed the application, which was presented to the Board on January 13. With the board’s approval, it will be submitted on January 31. The district will be notified in March if its proposal has been accepted. The board expressed its appreciation to these individuals and the committee for their leadership in developing the application for the district.

Motion by Paulsen, second by Bullock that the Board approve the Teacher Leadership Grant application as presented. Roll call vote. Ayes – Paulsen, Wagle, Witters, Bullock, Cournoyer, Dickson, Isbell. Nays – none. Motion carried.


**HOPEWELL CHANGE ORDER #1:** Dr. Spelhaug presented Change Order #1 for Hopewell elementary additions for review. The change order included an add for ordering lockers that match the current lockers, three adds for fire code requirements, an add to order a preferred style of projector mount, an add to upgrade wire size to auxiliary panel, a deduct as a closer connection point was used, and a deduct as clean outs were put in at different
locations for a total add of $5,089.38. This change order leaves a contingency balance of $44,910.62 (original balance $50,000).

Motion by Wagle, second by Dickson that the board approve Hopewell Elementary school change order #1 in the amount of an add of $5,089.38. Roll call vote. Ayes – Wagle, Witters, Bullock, Cournoyer, Dickson, Isbell, Paulsen. Nays – none. Motion carried.

**SCHOOL BOARD FORUM ON COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN:** The board discussed holding a forum regarding the Comprehensive School Improvement Plan at the junior high library for input from the public. A date will be established and announced at a future meeting.

**MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS:** Mr. Clingingsmith presented the monthly financial reports for December, 2013. Through December, General Fund revenue totaled $18,115,763 and expenses totaled $14,521,524. The fund balance in the General Fund at December 31, 2013 was $7,396,328. He also presented reports on the Management, PPEL, Capital Projects, Debt Service, Nutrition, Internal Service, and Activity Funds. There were no significant variances from projections in the financial reports.

Motion by Dickson, second by Cournoyer that the board accept the monthly financial reports for December as presented. Roll call vote. Ayes - Dickson, Isbell, Paulsen, Wagle, Witters, Bullock, Cournoyer. Nays – none. Motion carried.

**EXEMPT SESSION:** The board met in exempt session from 7:19 p.m. until 7:53 p.m. for the purpose of negotiations.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** The meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

**FUTURE DATES:** Monday, February 10, 2014 6:00 p.m. – Regular Board Meeting, Belmont Administration Office, 525 Belmont Road, Bettendorf, IA 52722.

February 4, 2014 – Instructional Support Levy (ISL) – Physical Plant & Equipment Levy (PPEL) – Extension Election. Polls open 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Public presentations of information regarding the election will be held as follows:

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**OPEN ENROLLMENT**
Open Enrollment is the process by which a parent or guardian residing in an Iowa school district may enroll their child into a public school district other than the one in which they reside. The deadline for filing an Open Enrollment Application for students in grades 1-12 is March 1st prior to the school year of requested attendance. The deadline for filing an open enrollment request for an incoming kindergarten child is September 1st of the year open enrollment is first requested. For more information on Open Enrollment, please visit the district website at www.pleasval.k12.ia.us, email or call Kelly Hatler, hatlerk@pleasval.k12.ia.us at the Administration Center at (563)332-5550.

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**eFile For a Fast Income Tax Refund!**

Get your Iowa income tax refund in 10 days or less when you file electronically. eFiling is fast, safe, and easy!

The IA 1040A short form – a form which couldn’t be filed electronically – has been eliminated for tax year 2013. This change will allow filers who used the IA 1040A in the past to eFile.

Most students are eligible to eFile for free! Beginning in late January, the Iowa Department of Revenue website (www.iowa.gov/tax) will feature links to software companies offering online filing of income tax returns. File your federal and Iowa income tax returns together from the Department’s website.

**File electronically! Good for the environment. Good for you.**