PLEASANT VALLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Bettendorf, LeClaire, Riverdale  

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES  
BOARD OF EDUCATION, REGULAR MEETING, BELMONT ADMINISTRATION CENTER  
Monday, October 27, 2014 – 5:15 P.M. C.D.S.T.  

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cournoyer, Dickson, Isbell, Wagle, Witters. Absent – Bullock and Paulsen.  
Also present: Jim Spelhaug, Christine Harvey, Mike Clingingsmith, Stephanie Judkins, Brian Strusz, Todd Hawley, Lorin Ditzler.  

AGENDA APPROVED: Motion by Dickson, second by Isbell that the agenda be approved as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.  

COMMUNICATIONS: President Witters welcomed everyone.  
Director Cournoyer invited everyone to a Robotics Showcase which will be held on November 16, 3:00-5:00, at Pleasant Valley High School. Elementary, Junior High and High School robotics teams will be represented.  
Brian Strusz congratulated the five National Merit Commended Students. The students who received this honor are Josh Wallin, Abigail Kurth, Megan Spector, Hanna McKay, and Uzair Ahmed.  
Brian Strusz congratulated all the students who have been accepted into the 5th – 9th grade Opus Honor Choirs, 5th – 9th grade Opus Orchestra, 9th – 12th grade IHSMA All-State Band, Chorus and Orchestra. This year the total number of students selected from PV was 72.  

CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Wagle, second by Cournoyer that the consent agenda be approved as presented. All ayes. Motion carried. The consent agenda consists of the resignation of Bryan Keller as a custodian at Riverdale Heights; the regular employment of Heidi Haessler as a food service worker at PVCHS, Trisha Kramer as a special education aide at PVCHS, Michelle Mann as an educational aide at Pleasant View, Lisa Perales as an educational aide at Pleasant View, Ryan Pillow as an educational aide at Pleasant View, Kathy Murphy as a food service worker at PVJH, Samantha Saladin as an educational aide at PVCHS, Nicholas Stader as an educational aide at Pleasant View, Tracy Strandberg as a special education aide at Pleasant View, Macy Wright as a special education aide at Pleasant View, and Sylvia Zuiderveen as a special education aide at Riverdale Heights; the extra-curricular additions of Adam Pfluger as PVHS Theatre Lighting and Sound Designer, Corbin Stone as Head Boys Soccer Coach, Brian Gartner as PVCHS Theatre Pit Orchestra Director, Randin Letendre as Co-PVCHS Drama Accompanist and Gail Baldwin as Co-PVCHS Drama Accompanist; and seven open enrollment applications-in from Bettendorf schools.
EXPENSES APPROVED: Motion by Cournoyer, second by Dickson that General Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $131,635.28 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Isbell that Nutrition Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $55,038.69 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Isbell, second by Dickson that Elementary/Junior High Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $8,732.60 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Cournoyer, second by Dickson that High School Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $24,346.86 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Wagle that Management Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $13,961.45 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Wagle, second by Isbell that PPEL Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $33,129.50 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Cournoyer, second by Wagle that Trust Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $1,296.49 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

SECOND READING OF BOARD POLICY REVISIONS: As a review, Board Policy 502.8, Dangerous Weapons, is focused strictly on student personnel. Board Policy 1003.6, Dangerous Weapons on School Grounds/Law Enforcement Assistance to school Personnel, applies to everyone else and uses existing IASB language when it comes to law enforcement officials.


2014-2015 WEATHER RELATED CALENDAR PROPOSAL & 2015-2016 CALENDAR OUTLINE: The board discussed the following proposal submitted by the administration: Should the district have to cancel one or more days of school for inclement weather on or before February 6, 2015 the following schedule will be invoked: Friday, February 13 will become a scheduled day of school for students. The student day will run on our established early out schedule. On the same day, teachers will be scheduled to work until 5:30 pm to conduct the in-service/records work currently scheduled for that day. Monday, February 16, 2015 (President’s Day) will remain a holiday with no work scheduled.

This item was for discussion only and will be on the November 10 board agenda for further discussion and approval.

The board received a first look at the district’s 2015-16 calendar. Further discussion will be held at the board meetings in November. Key items are as follows:
# 2015-2016 Key Calendar Dates

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<td>First Day of School</td>
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<td>Spring Break</td>
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<td>(Including In-Service Day</td>
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<td>Last Day of School</td>
<td>Tuesday, May 24, 2016</td>
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**2013-2014 ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT:** Mr. Strusz presented draft copies of the information being submitted to various stakeholders to report the district's annual progress for the 2013-2014 school year. Two documents report that information: 1) the online form required for submission to the state, 2) the document prepared and posted on the Pleasant Valley website. The official submission date for this information was September 15, 2014. Mr. Strusz reviewed and highlighted information in the documents and addressed questions.

Motion by Dickson, second by Isbell that the Board approve the annual progress report (APR) documentation as presented. Roll call vote. Ayes – Dickson, Isbell, Wagle, Witters, Cournoyer. Nays – none. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF TEACHER LEADERSHIP GRANT APPLICATION:** Brian Strusz discussed the application and the process involved with the second application. With the board’s approval, it will be submitted on October 28th. The district will be notified in December if its proposal has been accepted.

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

**MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS:** Mr. Clingingsmith presented the monthly financial reports for September, 2014. Through September, General Fund revenue totaled $3,239,818 and expenses totaled $5,313,581. The fund balance in the General Fund at September 30, 2014 was $2,507,598. 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 Cournoyer, second by Isbell that the board accept the monthly financial reports for September as presented. Roll call vote. Ayes – Cournoyer, Dickson, Isbell, Wagle, Witters. Nays – none. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION TO MAKE PERMANENT TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM NUTRITION FUND TO CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND (RELATED TO HOPEWELL AND HIGH SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE EQUIPMENT):** Mr. Clingingsmith recommended that the board approve a permanent transfer of cash in the amount of $100,000.00 from the district’s Nutrition Fund to the Capital Projects Fund. This permanent transfer of funds is being made for the purpose of having the Nutrition Fund reimburse the Capital Projects Fund for the Hopewell and High School food service equipment that was originally purchased using cash from the Capital Projects Fund. This transfer at this time will help the cash flow of the Capital Projects Fund.
Motion by Dickson, second by Isbell that the Board authorizes a permanent transfer of funds to be made from the Nutrition Fund to the Capital Projects Fund in the amount of $100,000.00. Roll call vote. Ayes – Dickson, Isbell, Wagle, Witters, Cournoyer. Nays – none. Motion carried.

**UPDATE – CITY OF BETTENDORF COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**: Lorin Ditzler, RDG Planning & Design summarized the efforts of her firm as it works on Premiering Bettendorf. This provided an opportunity for board input. Focus groups and public meetings have been held and surveys taken. The board thanked Director Dickson for her service with this effort.

“Help shape the future of Bettendorf by visiting [www.rdgusa.com/bettendorf](http://www.rdgusa.com/bettendorf).”

**DISCUSSION OF CITY OF RIVERDALE TIF PROPOSAL**: The board discussed the City of Riverdale’s TIF proposal and its potential effect on the school district. Dr. Spelhaug will be attending an informational session on October 28 at 2:00 p.m. The board expressed strong concerns over this TIF proposal.

**MEETING ADJOURNED**: The meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

**FUTURE DATES**:

Monday, November 10, 2014 Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m. Belmont Administration Office.

**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](http://www.pleasval.k12.ia.us), email or call Kelly Hatler, hatlerk@pleasval.k12.ia.us at the Administration Center at (563)332-5550.