
Also present: Jim Spelhaug, Brian Strusz, Stephanie Judkins, Mike Clingingsmith, Deborah Dayman, Beth Marsoun, and others.

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

COMMUNICATIONS: President Witters welcomed everyone, and read the vision of the district: It is the vision of the Pleasant Valley Community School District that we shall provide the finest academic and extra-curricular programs in the state – not in some things, but in everything; not for some students, but for every student.

Director Wagle congratulated students selected to participate in the Iowa High School Music Association All-State Music Festival.

Orchestra: First Year - Mak Foerderer, violin I; Annie Warner, violin II; Veronica Henderson, harp. Second Year- Sam Foerderer, violin I; Zach Smith, string bass.

Band: First Year - Ethan Good, trumpet; Susan Li, flute; Bobbi Malmgren, clarinet; Peter Mills, trumpet; Sarah Oswald, clarinet; Claire Thomsen, flute; Keshav Wagle, oboe. Third Year - Ian Aplington, clarinet; Maureen Thomsen, clarinet. Alternates- Kendall Hengst, tenor saxophone; Patrick McMonagle, percussion; Matthew Nelson, Alto Saxophone; Carrie Peterson, flute; Cooper Schou, percussion.

Chorus: First Year - Cassie Berta, Cate Byrne, Joe Clifton, Cecilia Dean, Joey Dwyer, Minna Gode, Megan Guest, Cortland Johns, Vignesh Krishnan, Ellie Lindmark, Zach Myatt, Aishwarya Pradeep, Brendan Roether, Brendan Wheeler. Second Year - Samina Abdullah, Lauren Carroll, Bailey Connors, Vincent Gnud, Ellie Kurth, Rachel McCracken, Andrew Sandry. Third Year - Caitlin Lyon, Rishi Wagle.

Director Wagle also congratulated the PV Men’s Choir, showcased at the Wartburg College Real Men Sing Choir Festival held October 17.

Director Cournoyer congratulated the cross country team and coaches for outstanding success at the state qualifying meet held at Crow Creek Park October 22.

Director Witters thanked the district for the opportunity to attend the IASB Board Member Orientation Workshop on October 22. Directors Hoskins and Anderson also participated.

Mr. Strusz noted that 9 more Pleasant Valley musicians than last year were selected for All-State. He congratulated all fall season student athletes and coaches for outstanding seasons.
CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Isbell, second by Wagle that the consent agenda be approved as presented. All ayes. Motion carried. The consent agenda consists of the following:

- MINUTES: The approval of minutes of the October 12, 2015 regular meeting.

- PERSONNEL: The following personnel items were recommended for approval:

  The probationary employment of Terri Law, Tech Support Aide and Educational Aide at Pleasant View Elementary School; and Richard McDonald, Part-Time Custodian at Pleasant Valley Junior High.

  The regular employment of Joshua Stewart, Head Building Custodian at Pleasant Valley Junior High, Mary (Katie) Yoeckel, District Technology Liaison/Data Specialist, and Michele Kipp, High School Office Aide.

  The resignation of Amy Hanna, Pleasant Valley Junior High Library Aide.

Extra-curricular adds:
- Emily Backus    JH Yearbook advisor
- Collin Daniels HS Assistant girls tennis coach
- Jacob Grafenberg Cody Math Bee coach
- Caitlin Schaeffer JH Swimming coach
- Stacey Zapolski HS Varsity boys swimming coach

Extra-curricular drops:
- Caitlin Schaeffer JH Assistant Swimming coach
- Andy Ward HS Assistant girls tennis coach

- OPEN ENROLLMENT: One open enrollment application in from Bettendorf for the 2015-16 school year.

EXPENSES APPROVED:

Motion by Cournoyer, second by Isbell that General Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $303,401.49 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Wagle that Nutrition Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $53,579.37 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Dickson that Elementary/Junior High Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $20,368.10 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Wagle, second by Isbell that High School Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $25,112.06 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.
Motion by Dickson, second by Cournoyer that Management Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $25,630.37 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Cournoyer, second by Hoskins that PPEL Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $136,577.41 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Isbell, second by Cournoyer that Capital Projects Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $32,058.55 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Wagle, second by Hoskins that Trust Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $448.45 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

2014-15 ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT (APR): Mr. Strusz presented to the board the following final draft copies of Annual Progress Report documents: 1) the online C-Plan report required for submission to the state, 2) the complete district designed APR document prepared and posted on the Pleasant Valley website and 3) the newly designed modified APR that will be mailed to the homes of all Pleasant Valley School District residents. Ms. Marsoun led the board through the APR which will be mailed to district residents, and noted that a similar document will be provided to district residents three times per year; each issue highlighting a different aspect of district performance. Details supporting data included in the APR will be accessible via a QR codes contained in the document in addition to being available on the district website. Again, to view the complete report and the many highlights and data from last year, please visit our website at www.pleasval.org.

Motion by Dickson, second by Cournoyer that the board approve the Annual Progress Report documentation as presented and revised. Ayes – Witters, Hoskins, Wagle, Anderson, Isbell, Cournoyer, Dickson. Nays – none. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION OF CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT MODEL: Dr. Spelhaug presented to the board a study model for the question as to whether a Construction Management model is appropriate for the district to utilize for future construction projects. Construction Management is a model which replaces the general contractor role in our current construction model. This discussion will proceed in two phases. Phase I will include the collection of information from various individuals involved in the field of commercial construction with ties to our district and our community. These individuals will present to the board the services provided, advantages and/or disadvantages of the Construction Management model. Should the board decide to implement the Construction Management model, Phase II will involve the solicitation and review of Request for Proposals (RFP's).

No required motion.
2016-17 SCHOOL CALENDAR: Dr. Spelhaug presented to the board an initial 2016-17 academic calendar draft. School is scheduled to begin Tuesday, August 23rd; the earliest start date allowed under current state law. The draft will be further reviewed by the PV Educational Association PTA Presidents, and administrators. The final calendar will be presented for final board approval in early January 2016.

No required motion.

SUMMER HOURS AT BELMONT ADMINISTRATION CENTER: Consideration is being given to closing the administration center at noon on Fridays from mid-June through the end of July. Note that classified employees would continue to be required to log 40 hours for the week or use vacation time on Friday afternoon. The Administration Center’s primary focus is to provide quality service to district residents, and we feel this change will not have a significant impact on the service we provide.

No required motion.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS: Mr. Clingingsmith presented the monthly financial reports for September 2015. Through September, General Fund revenue totaled $4,737,425 and expenses totaled $5,828,213. The fund balance in the General Fund at September 30, 2015 was $4,312,095. Also presented were Management, PPEL, Capital Projects, Debt Service, Nutrition, Internal Service, and Activity Funds reports. There were no significant variances from projections in the financial reports.

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

MEETING ADJOURNED: The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

FUTURE DATES:
Monday, November 9, 2015 Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
Belmont Administration Center

Monday, November 23, 2015 Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
Belmont Administration Center

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IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT PARENTS OR GUARDIANS WITH CHILDREN ATTENDING NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS:
Per Iowa Code Section 285.3, in order to qualify for parental reimbursement, a parent or guardian of a student attending an accredited nonpublic school who furnishes transportation for the student in accordance with this section, shall submit a notice of nonpublic school attendance to the resident public school district, notifying the district that the student is enrolled in and will attend an accredited nonpublic school during the period for which parental reimbursement is being requested. The notice shall be filed with the resident public school district not later than December 1 for the first semester claim and May 1 for the second semester claim each year.
Forms which must be filled out in order to qualify for this parental reimbursement are available at the Belmont Administration Center, 525 Belmont Road, Bettendorf, Iowa 52722 and on the district website at http://www.pleasval.k12.ia.us.

Information needed to complete the form includes the parent or guardian’s name and address, the name, age, and grade level of the student, the name of the nonpublic school and its location and the number of miles one way to transport the child from home to school. Iowa Code Section 285.1, subsection 3, limits the number of students that may be eligible for parent reimbursement to a maximum of three (3) elementary students and one (1) high school student per family.

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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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2015-2016 NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION

It is the policy of the Pleasant Valley Community School District not to illegally discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, disability, religion, creed, age (for employment), marital status (for programs), sexual orientation, gender identity, and socioeconomic status (for programs) in its educational programs and its employment practices. Further, the board affirms the right of all students and staff to be treated with respect and to be protected from intimidation, discrimination, physical harm and harassment.

The district requires all persons, agencies, vendors, contractors and other persons and organizations doing business with or performing services for the school district to subscribe to all applicable federal and state laws, executive orders, rules and regulations pertaining to contract compliance and equal opportunity.

The district is committed to the policy that no otherwise qualified person will be excluded on the basis of race, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, religion, disability, or age. Further, the board affirms the right of all students and staff to be treated with respect and to be protected from intimidation, discrimination, physical harm and harassment.

Inquiries concerning the application of federal and state nondiscrimination statutes and the implementing regulations to the district may be referred to Brian Strusz, who has been designated by the district as Educational Equity Coordinator, or to the Director of the Office for Civil Rights, Department of HEW, Washington, D.C. Mr. Strusz’ office is at Pleasant Valley Administration Center, 525 Belmont Rd., Bettendorf, Iowa 52722; telephone (563) 332-5550.

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Superintendent