
Also present: Jim Spelhaug, Brian Strusz, Stephanie Judkins, Mike Clingingsmith, Deborah Dayman, Trampus Budde, Beth Marsoun, Dave Briden, Pat Barnes, AJ Loss, and others.

MOTION FOR EXEMPT SESSION: Motion by Wagle, second by Isbell 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 – Isbell, Hoskins, Cournoyer, Anderson, Witters, Wagle. Nays – none. Motion carried.

AGENDA APPROVED: Motion by Cournoyer, second by Hoskins 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 Cournoyer reminded the board that the legislative session opened today, and encouraged board members and the public to be in contact with legislators. She also congratulated the four Robotics Teams participating in the state competition.

Dr. Spelhaug recognized Walter Brown of LeClaire, who passed away in July and spoke in gratitude to the work of former boards and board members. Mr. Brown served on the PVCSD Board of Education during the 1960’s and 1970’s.

Brian Strusz introduced Pat Barnes, Program Director, John Deere Inspire. Mr. Barnes presented to the PV Junior High Industrial Technology department a banner in recognition of the district’s participation in and Deere and Company’s support of Project Lead the Way and STEM programs. The board thanked Mr. Barnes and Deere & Company for their generous support.

CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Wagle, second by Isbell 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 December 21, 2015 regular meeting.

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

  Theresa Law will complete her probationary employment period January 15, 2016 and is recommended for regular employment as an Educational/Tech Aide at Pleasant View Elementary effective January 16, 2016; Taylor Lindsay will complete her probationary employment period January 15, 2016 and is recommended for regular employment as a Special Education Aide at Riverdale Heights Elementary effective January 16, 2016; Richard McDonald will complete his probationary employment January 15, 2016 is recommended for regular employment as part-time Custodian at Pleasant Valley Junior High effective January 16, 2016.

  Melissa Clemons is recommended for probationary employment as a Special Education Aide at Pleasant Valley High School starting January 4, 2016; Caryn Dahm is recommended for probationary employment as a Special Education Aide at Pleasant Valley High School starting January 8, 2016; Wendy Williams is recommended for employment as an Aide at Pleasant Valley Junior High starting January 4, 2016. She is transferring from a food service position at that building.

**EXTRA-CURRICULAR:**

**DROPS**: Paul Meyers Assistant Freshman Football

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

- **APPROVAL OF CHANGE IN EMPLOYEE BUSINESS TRAVEL MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT RATE**: Based on the decreased price of gasoline, the employee business travel mileage reimbursement rate will decrease from $0.32 per mile to $0.27 per mile effective January 1, 2016. This change is consistent with the employee business travel reimbursement rate matrix implemented by the district and approved by the board effective July 1, 2009.

**EXPENSES APPROVED:**

Motion by Cournoyer, second by Anderson that General Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $691,004.15 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Wagle that Nutrition Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $31,234.88 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Isbell, second by Cournoyer that Elementary/Junior High Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $3,828.49 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.
Motion by Hoskins, second by Wagle that High School Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $31,438.51 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Wagle, second by Hoskins that Capital Projects Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $8,042.25 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Cournoyer, second by Anderson that PPEL Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $8,566.41 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hoskins second by Cournoyer that Trust Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $2,439.50 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT FORUM: PRESENTATION BY DAVE BRIDEN, FRK: Phase I of our exploration of the Construction Management model continued with a presentation by Dave Briden of FRK. FRK has been involved in both models as a firm, and has served as the district’s architectural firm for the past 20 years. Mr. Briden shared with the board the pros and cons of the CM model from the architect’s perspective. He noted that FRK has served school district clients who use the CM model. He also noted that the CM model has little effect on the delivery of the architect’s services as compared to the general contractor model.

No required motion.

PUBLIC HEARING - CODY ADDITION AND RENOVATION: Following summary comments of the project and the bid process by Dr. Spelhaug and Mr. Briden, President Witters opened the public hearing at 6:47 p.m. The public hearing closed at 6:48 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING – PLEASANT VALLEY JUNIOR HIGH ADDITION AND RENOVATION: Following summary comments of the project and the bid process by Dr. Spelhaug and Mr. Briden, President Witters opened the public hearing at 6:50 p.m. The public hearing closed at 6:52 p.m.

CODY AND PLEASANT VALLEY JUNIOR HIGH CONSTRUCTION BIDS: The board reviewed recommendation letters from the architect and bid tabulation sheets for both projects.

On December 10, 2015, bids were received from eight general contractors for the Cody addition and renovation project. The low bidder was Portzen Construction, Inc. of Dubuque, Iowa.

On December 17, 2015, bids were received from seven general contractors for the Pleasant Valley Junior High School addition and renovation project. The low bidder was Bush Construction Company, Inc. of Davenport, Iowa.

Motion by Cournoyer, second by Isbell that the board approve the low base bid of $3,450,000.00 and the bid for alternate # 1 (Emergency Lighting) of +$1,700.00 for a total bid of $3,451,700.00 from Portzen Construction, Inc. for the Cody Elementary School addition and renovation project. Roll Call Vote. Ayes – Anderson, Witters, Wagle, Isbell, Hoskins, Cournoyer. Nays – none. Motion carried.
Motion by Wagle, second by Hoskins that the board approve the low base bid of $6,971,000.00 and the bids for alternate # 1 (Kitchen) of +$472,500.00, alternate # 2 (Boys Locker Room) of +$93,000.00 and alternate # 3 (Emergency Lighting) of +$5,800.00 for a total bid of $7,542,300.00 from Bush Construction Company, Inc. for the Pleasant Valley Junior High addition and renovation project. Roll Call Vote. Ayes – Isbell, Hoskins, Cournoyer, Anderson, Witters, Wagle. Nays – none. Motion carried.

UPDATE ON HIGH SCHOOL WELLNESS OPT OUT POLICY: Board discussion regarding wellness opt out options continued. Consideration is being given to offering scheduling alternatives to freshman non-athletes whose decision to enroll in three of the following five courses - band, choir, orchestra, world language, engineering - creates difficulty in scheduling wellness classes. Options being considered include (in order of administrative preference) (1.) Early Bird PE/Health Club and Health (2.) Summer School PE/Health Club (state mandated minutes per week of physical activity during the school year would still be required, and Early Bird or 8th period Health would be taken during the school year) (3.) 8th period PE/Health Club (student would forgo access to and benefits offered by 8th period) (4.) Kirkwood Community College Correspondence Course; student is responsible for fee. This option will be considered only if previous alternatives are not viable. In the event none of these options are viable, administrative exemption will be considered.

As the board was favorable toward this course of action, greater detail will be provided, including options for upperclassmen.

No required motion.

CHANGE ORDER #1, PLEASANT VIEW ELEMENTARY ADDITION AND RENOVATION: Dr. Spelhaug outlined changes required in the Pleasant View project. Change order #1 reflects an add of $29,074 and increases total project cost by $4,074. $20,383 relates to the cost of pump and valve replacement, which was scheduled for a future year, but was determined to be more efficient and cost effective to complete now. The remainder results from additional sewer work required, duct testing, and matching of roofing materials.

Motion by Isbell, second by Anderson that the board approve Change Order #1 for the Pleasant View Elementary School addition and renovation project in the amount of an add of $29,074.00. Roll call vote. Ayes – Hoskins, Cournoyer, Anderson, Witters, Wagle, Isbell. Nays – none. Motion carried.

2016-17 BOARD MEETING DATES: The following 2016-17 meeting dates were proposed: August 8 & 22; September 12 & 26; October 10 & 24; November 14 & 28; December 19; January 9 & 23; February 13 & 27; March 27; April 10 & 24; May 8 & 22; June 12 & 26; July 10 or 17. The schedule will be finalized at a future meeting.

No required motion.
IASB CONVENTION DEBRIEF: Directors Witters, Cournoyer, Wagle, and Hoskins attended the IASB State Convention November 18th and 19th. This discussion, which has spanned several meetings, concluded with a presentation of legislative talking points. Encouraging adequate and timely funding, and the repeal of the 2029 sunset of the statewide penny sales tax are two important priorities. Legislative contacts are included at the end of this document, and residents are encouraged to contact the district with questions regarding effective legislative advocacy.

No required motion.

EXEMPT SESSION – NEGOTIATIONS, CODE OF IOWA, SECTION 20.17(3): The board entered into exempt session at 7:37 p.m. to discuss negotiations, and returned to open session at 8:25 p.m.

MEETING ADJOURNED: The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

FUTURE DATES:

Monday, January 25, 2016  Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.  Belmont Administration Center

Monday, February 8, 2016  Regular School Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m.  (note earlier start time)  Belmont Administration Center

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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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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.

James R. Spelhaug, Ph.D.
Superintendent

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