
Also present: Jim Spelhaug, Brian Strusz, Cindy Lewis, Mike Clingingsmith, Deborah Dayman, Devin Hanson, Mike Zimmer, and Eric Larew.

AGENDA APPROVED: Motion by Dickson, second by Cournoyer 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 Hoskins thanked high school students, faculty, and staff for hosting the homecoming carnival. Spartan Assembly members Emma Gellerstedt and Cecily Clark initiated and organized the event, assisted by faculty advisor Tracy Lux.

Director Cournoyer thanked Mr. Zimmer and high school administrators for the on-line high school conference scheduling opportunity. Her experience was extremely positive, and she has heard positive comments from a number of parents.

Director Cournoyer reminded the board that Power for Parker t-shirts are being sold in support of PVHS freshman Parker Kress, who is battling cancer and is preparing for a significant surgical procedure later in October. View a video about Parker’s journey here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ofkh-aBnuWg. Fans are encouraged to wear their Power for Parker t-shirts at the October 21 home football game where Parker will be introduced. Director Cournoyer expressed appreciation to PVHS faculty member Stacie Giesecke for organizing this show of support and encouragement for Parker and his family.

RECOGNITION: Mr. Zimmer introduced Pleasant Valley High School art teacher Devin Hanson, who has been named the Outstanding Secondary Art Teacher of the Year by the Art Educators of Iowa. Mr. Zimmer also noted increased student participation in art classes. Mr. Hanson, a fourth year teacher, has encouraged students to participate in art competitions at the state level, initiated AP art opportunities, and helped guide students interested in art-related careers. He enthusiastically conveys his passion for art to the students. The board expressed appreciation to Mr. Hanson for not only providing excellent instruction, but for positively engaging and challenging PVHS art students.
CONSENT AGENDA, October 10, 2016: Motion by Wagle, second by Hoskins that the consent agenda be approved as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

The October 10, 2016 consent agenda consists of the following:

- MINUTES: The approval of minutes of the September 26, 2016 regular meeting.

- PERSONNEL: Brett Chiles, currently on an unpaid leave of absence to pursue a graduate degree, has submitted his resignation. Liz Josie is recommended for probationary employment as a part time elementary orchestra accompanist for the 2016-17 school year. Lori Kleindolph is recommended for probationary employment as a Special Education Aide at Pleasant Valley High School for the 2016-17 school year. Melissa See is recommended for probationary employment as a Special Education Aide at Hopewell Elementary for the 2016-17 school year. Zakk Stiles is recommended for probationary employment as a Special Education Aide at Hopewell Elementary for the 2016-17 school year.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR:
Add: Nicole Palmer Girls High School golf coach

- OPEN ENROLLMENT: Five IN from Bettendorf.

EXPENSES APPROVED:
Motion by Cournoyer, second by Anderson that General Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $152,085.08 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 $51,377.81 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Wagle, second by Dickson that Elementary/Junior High Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $1,545.13 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Cournoyer that High School Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $14,213.79 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Isbell, second by Dickson that Management Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $197.00 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Hoskins that PPEL Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $156,923.72 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Wagle, second by Dickson that Capital Projects Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $1,810,215.16 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.
Motion by Cournoyer, second by Hoskins that Internal Service Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $21,121.12 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Isbell that Trust Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $1,113.84 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

SUMMER SCHOOL REPORT: Brian Strusz and Cindy Lewis presented evaluative information from the district’s 2016 summer school program. 153 K-6 students and 31 junior high students were served during a three week program. It is the district’s goal that every child who falls below reading and/or math benchmarks attend summer school. At-Risk Funding and an Early Literacy Initiative Grant cover the $63, 571 cost (staffing and transportation). 52% of elementary and 79% of junior high students who participated in summer school demonstrated improved reading scores between spring and early fall assessment.

Also discussed was how the State of Iowa’s Early Literacy Initiative might impact future summer school sessions. The initiative, if unchanged by the state legislature, would require the district to offer 70 hours of intensive summer reading intervention to students who are not proficient readers or are persistently at risk after completing 3rd grade. Students who do not complete this intervention would be required to be retained.


PLEASANT VALLEY JUNIOR HIGH CHANGE ORDER #2: With this change order we will have used $33,263.05 of the $150,000 contingency for this project.

Add $1,794.63...Provide electrical panel board connector kit. After physically opening up the existing electrical panel, it was discovered that additional electrical work was required to accommodate additional circuits required by the project.

Add $1,416.83...Provide downspout connections from existing building. One of the existing downspouts located in the fenced cooling tower enclosure was not shown to be re-connected to the new storm sewer going out of the courtyard. This cost represents underground piping and fittings required to make the connections.

Add $20,003.19...Provide fill and grading work at future baseball field site. Spoils from the project were used; compaction and grading was required as we prepare for another high school sized diamond. Currently the district has just one baseball field.

Add $658.92...Extra concrete from existing footings in the kitchen addition was removed. In order to install the footings for the kitchen addition, an over pour of concrete from a previous addition needed to be removed in order to install the new footings.
Motion by Hoskins, second by Dickson that the board approve change order #2 for the Pleasant Valley Junior High addition and renovation project in the amount of an add of $23,873.57. Roll call vote. Ayes: Isbell, Wagle, Witters, Anderson, Cournoyer, Dickson, Hoskins. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED: The meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

FUTURE DATES:

Monday, October 24, 2016
Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
Belmont Administration Center

Monday, November 14, 2016
Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
Belmont Administration Center

RIVERDALE DEER HUNT

Once again this fall/winter, the City of Riverdale has authorized a controlled bow hunt September 17 – January 10 in the wooded areas surrounding Scott Community College. Hunting will generally take place at dawn and at dusk. E-News and all-district email notifications will be sent.

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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NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION

It is the policy of the Pleasant Valley Community School District not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, 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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