PLEASANT VALLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Bettendorf, LeClaire, Riverdale
UNOFFICIAL MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
BELMONT ADMINISTRATION CENTER
Monday, April 9, 2018, 6:00 P.M. C.D.S.T.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ayers, Hoskins, Wagle, Cournoyer, Dickson, Brockmann. Absent – Anderson.

Also present: Jim Spelhaug, Brian Strusz, Cindy Lewis, Mike Clingingsmith, Deborah Dayman, Mike Zimmer, Jennifer Gertson, Jamie Homb, Sherri Britz, Kim VerHeecke, Laurie Smith, Bob Jurkowski and others.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

EXEMPT SESSION – NEGOTIATIONS, CODE OF IOWA, SECTION 20.17(3):
Motion by Wagle, second by Ayers 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 – Hoskins, Wagle, Cournoyer, Dickson, Brockmann, Ayers. Nays – none. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:
President Cournoyer welcomed everyone to the meeting 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.

She congratulated D’Anne Kroemer, named Iowa Girls Coaches Association’s Administrator of the Year. She also recognized the Governor’s 2018 Future Ready Iowa Summit participants Sydney Einck, Cassidy Sorensen, and Tommy Sun, and thanked Rebecca Signer of Deere and Company for her work with STEM students.

Mr. Strusz congratulated the Pleasant Valley High School Chamber Choir upon two unique performance invitations – with Luther College on Thursday, April 12th, and at the Iowa Choral Showcase on Wednesday, April 18th. Concert details are included at the end of this document. Congratulations also to Leading Tones jazz ensemble, awarded second place in the Iowa Vocal Jazz Championships held March 27th.

RECOGNITION: Mike Zimmer, Jennifer Gertson, Jamie Homb, Sherri Britz, Kim VerHeecke and Laurie Smith were present to celebrate Breaking Barriers 2017 awards.

2017 award winners were recognized for having the highest proficiency rates statewide in math and reading among specific subgroups of students, such as students whose first language is not English and students from low-income backgrounds. State assessment results from the last three years were
examined to confirm a positive trend for each school. “These schools are taking major steps forward in closing gaps in achievement while also working to raise achievement for all students,” said Charlie Edwards, president of the State Board of Education. For the first time ever, two schools from the same district have won the Breaking Barriers Award.

This year’s winners are:

- **Riverdale Heights Elementary School**
  Riverdale Heights Elementary has won the Breaking Barriers Award for an unprecedented four times in as many years. This year Riverdale Heights was honored for its work with students whose native language is not English, otherwise known as English Language Learners (ELL). Eighty-two percent of ELL students at the school are proficient in reading and math, compared to a statewide average of 50 percent among ELL students. Mr. Homb reported that 22 different languages are spoken within the district.

- **Pleasant Valley High School**
  Pleasant Valley High School being honored for its work with black students. Eighty-nine percent of black students are proficient in reading and math, compared to a statewide average of 54 percent.

**CONSENT AGENDA, April 9, 2018:** Motion by Wagle, second by Dickson that the consent agenda be approved as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

The April 9, 2018 consent agenda consists of the following:

- **MINUTES:** The approval of minutes of the March 26, 2018 regular meeting.
- **PERSONNEL:**
  CERTIFIED: Mikaela Ellison, Kindergarten Teacher at Cody Elementary, has resigned her position effective the end of the 2017-18 school year. Theresa Holmes is recommended for employment as Nurse at Pleasant Valley Junior High starting the 2018-19 school year. Elizabeth Kreassig is recommended for employment as a Band Director at Pleasant Valley Junior High School starting the 2018-19 school year. Carolyn Vinyard, Pleasant Valley Junior High English Teacher, has requested a Leave of Absence for the 2018-19 school year to pursue graduate studies.

CLASSIFIED:
  Greg Anderson, part time custodian at Belmont Administration Center, has completed his probationary period and is recommended for regular employment effective April 16, 2018.
  Sharon Crowley, Special Education Aide at Riverdale Heights Elementary, is nearing the end of her probationary period and is recommended for regular employment effective April 16, 2018.
  Angela Howe, Special Education Aide at Hopewell Elementary, is nearing the end of her probationary period and is recommended for regular employment effective April 16, 2018.
  Shelly Masengarb, Special Education/Regular Education Aide at Pleasant Valley Junior High, is nearing the end of her probationary period and is recommended for regular employment effective April 16, 2018.

CLASSIFIED: (information only)
  Corey Lopez is recommended for probationary employment as a year-round part time custodian at Pleasant Valley High School starting April 2, 2018.
EXTRA-CURRICULAR:

ADDS: Brett Ahlgren PVHS Assistant Girls Tennis Coach
Tony Clifton PVHS Assistant Freshman Baseball Coach
McKenna Lybbert PVHS 2018-19 JV Dance Coach

DROPS: Jamie Bice PVHS JV Dance Coach
Paul Meyers PVJH 7th grade Football Coach

- COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS – STUDENT TEACHING: Upper Iowa University
- OPEN ENROLLMENT: Two IN from Davenport.

EXPENSES APPROVED:

Motion by Dickson, second by Wagle that General Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $465,526.73 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Wagle, second by Hoskins that Nutrition Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $87,152.70 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 $9,102.81 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Ayers that High School Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $55,024.68 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Wagle, second by Dickson that Management Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $136.00 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Brockmann, second by Dickson that Capital Projects Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $1,126,221.90 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Ayers that PPEL Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $211,793.88 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Ayers that Internal Service Fund warrants 5791 through 5798 be issued in the total amount of $391,492.33 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 $676.83 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

2018-19 ADOPTION OF BUDGET AND TAXES: Mr. Clingingsmith presented and reviewed the proposed budget and tax levy worksheets, a summary of which was presented at the March 26, 2018 board
meeting. The budget reflects a $0.30 decrease in the district’s levy rate (rounded to the nearest penny) for the 2018-19 fiscal year.

Dr. Spelhaug noted that, should HSB 678 proceed, the amount available for commercial property tax backfill will be cut, thereby reducing district state receipts and necessitating re-establishment of 2018-19 the levy rate, as well as the need to re-open and re-certify the budget. The approved $0.30 levy decrease would be reduced.

President Cournoyer opened the public hearing at 6:49 p.m. Hearing no comments, the public hearing was closed at 6:50 p.m.

Motion by Dickson, second by Wagle that, at this meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pleasant Valley Community School District, held as provided by law;

And finding that the notice of the time and place of hearing has, according to law and as directed by the Board, been published on the 29th day of March, 2018 in the Quad City Times, and that the affidavit of publication thereof was on file;

And after hearing any resident or taxpayer presenting objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget;

I move that we adopt the attached Budget Summary, together with the property tax levies totaling $13.65589 per $1,000 of taxable valuation for 2018-19. Roll call vote. Ayes – Cournoyer, Dickson, Brockmann, Ayers, Hoskins, Wagle. Nays – none. Motion carried.

**PVHS FRONT DRIVE AND “E” (BASEBALL/SOFTBALL) LOT PROJECT PUBLIC HEARING:** Bob Jurkowski from IMEG reviewed schematic design of this project at our February 26, 2018 board meeting. He was present once again to review the project and be present for the public hearing. Project bids will be opened April 18th and presented for approval at the April 23rd Board meeting. The project is scheduled to commence June 4th.

President Cournoyer opened the public hearing at 6:53 p.m. Hearing no comments, the public hearing was closed at 6:54 p.m.

No required motion.

**“AT THE BOARD TABLE” PROFESSIONAL LEARNING SERIES:** IASB believes that boards can make a difference for students when they engage in high-level discussions and review current research on school improvement and related board rules. IASB is offering an “At the Board Table” four-part series on Coherence: The Right Drivers (Fullan and Quinn) to provide a framework that will advance an understanding of our focus and guide our discussions together. Mr. Strusz presented an overview and the Board agreed to pursue this learning and discussion together over the course of four board meetings in June, July and August.

No required motion.
CHANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION MAY 14 MEETING START TIME TO 5:30: High School choral awards and concert is scheduled for 6:00 p.m. May 14th, creating a conflict for some Board Members. Motion by Wagle, second by Ayers that the Board establish a 5:30 p.m. start time for the May 14, 2018 Board of Education meeting. Roll call vote. Ayes – Hoskins, Wagle, Cournoyer, Dickson, Brockmann, Ayers. Nays – none. Motion carried.

EXEMPT SESSION - NEGOTIATIONS: The board met in closed session from 7:25 – 7:55 for the purpose of discussing negotiations. No motions were made during closed session.

MEETING ADJOURNED: The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

FUTURE DATES:
Monday, April 23, 2018 Regular School Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m. Belmont Administration Center
Monday, May 14, 2018 Regular School Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m. Belmont Administration Center

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BOARD OF EDUCATION, EXEMPT SESSION, BELMONT ADMINISTRATION CENTER
Monday, April 9, 2018 7:25 P.M. C.S.T.

Exempt session was called to order at 7:25 p.m. by President Cournoyer. Members present: Ayers, Hoskins, Wagle, Cournoyer, Dickson, Brockmann. Absent – Anderson. Also present: Jim Spelhaug, Deborah Dayman, Brian Strusz, Mike Clingingsmith, and Cindy Lewis.

MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Wagle, second by Ayers 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 – Hoskins, Wagle, Cournoyer, Dickson, Brockmann, Ayers. Nays – none. Motion carried.

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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.

Pleasant Valley High School Chamber Choir would like to invite you to attend two important upcoming performances! Both of these events were not on the school calendar originally, and are the result of invitations we have received this year. We are very honored to be included.

On Thursday, April 12, we have been invited to perform with Luther College's Collegiate Chorale. This will be at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Davenport at 7:30 p.m. Chamber Choir will sing at the beginning of the concert, followed by Collegiate Chorale's tour program. There is no admission charged. This looks to be a fabulous concert!

On Wednesday, April 18, we have been invited to perform on the Iowa Choral Showcase, to be held at 6:00 p.m. in the new Concert Hall at the Voxman Music Building at University of Iowa. This event, sponsored by the Iowa Choral Directors, features six groups from around the state, representing the best group in their performance category. Pleasant Valley Chamber Choir has been selected to represent 4A high school choirs. This is a ticketed event, and you may obtain tickets in advance using the following link: https://hbotix.hancher.uiowa.edu/Online/default.asp
Just scroll down to April 18 for tickets. This also looks like a wonderful concert, with several high school groups, a children's choir, and an adult choir all performing.

We are so honored to represent Pleasant Valley and our Vocal Music Program at these events. Your support has been instrumental in shaping the students in Chamber Choir and building our choirs district-wide. We hope you will join us in celebrating our program's success and supporting these performances!
The Pleasant Valley Community School District wishes to highlight the following Employment opportunities:

Secondary

- HS English/Speech
- HS French
- JH Language Arts
- JH/Elem Orchestra

Elementary

- Special Education-Instructional Strategist II: ID
- Physical Education

Part-time custodial positions - School year, 2nd shift; summer, 1st shift.
$17.27 per hour.

Please apply via Employment link at www.pleasval.org
PVCSD is EOE/AA

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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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Join us for a day of golf and fundraising at the

PLEASANT VALLEY EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

GOLF BENEFIT

Monday, April 30, 2018 at

Check In 10:15—10:50 a.m.
Shot Gun Start 11:00 a.m.

$125 Registration Fee per Golfer:
Includes green fees, a cart, sandwiches, snacks, dinner, and prizes!

Thank You for Supporting the PVEF Mission!

All proceeds raised at the PVEF Golf Benefit directly support the PVEF Scholarship Program. Since 1991, you’ve helped provide nearly 800 students with scholarships towards their post-secondary education. Thank you for your support in the past, present, and future!
GOLF WITH PVEF ON MONDAY, APRIL 30 ($125 PER GOLFER)

NAME: ________________________________________________________________________________________________

ADDRESS: _____________________________________________________________________________________________

EMAIL: ___________________________ PHONE: __________________________

NAMES OF OTHER PLAYERS IN FOURSOME: ________________________________________________________________________________________________

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Please include your check for $125.00 per person payable to PVEF to the following address: PVEF c/o Hannah Thomsen
525 Belmont Road, Bettendorf, IA 52722.

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SPONSOR A HOLE OR TEE (MINIMUM OF $100)

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NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION

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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.

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