
Also present: Jim Spelhaug, Brian Strusz, Cindy Lewis, Mike Clingingsmith, Deborah Dayman, Mike Zimmer, Mike Peakin, Jason Jones, Deputy Jim Wilkison, Deputy Chad Weipert, Deputy Pete Bawden, and Elizabeth McCredie.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

Parent Elizabeth McCredie addressed the Board regarding the inadequacies of the PVHS swimming pool and requested the topic be a future agenda item. She cited limitations on the swim program due to pool size, seating capacity, and the inability to host major meets at the PVHS facility. Dr. Spelhaug reminded Ms. McCredie that during the past year, the District made the following pool repairs/upgrades: purchased new Daktronics Timing System, meet management software, sound system and additional speakers, lane lines and storage reel, flags, training supplies; replaced the HVSC VFD equipment, ODA and fire damper replacement, UV system installation, HVAC equipment controller, chlorine/PH computer/controller, pool valve controls, chlorinator tank system, heater, vacuum; rebuilt the pool filter. Total cost of the repairs/upgrades was more than $212,000. Design options for a bulkhead or permanent wall to convert lane length from meters to yards, as well as plans for expanded spectator seating are being considered with improvements expected to take place during the summer of 2019. Dr. Spelhaug reminded Ms. McCredie and the Board that it is imperative that District patrons encourage the Iowa legislature to make permanent the State Penny for School Infrastructure (one cent local option sales tax) so that funding is available for capital projects. He also pointed out that a growing district such as Pleasant Valley must use the one cent sales tax proceeds to build classrooms and schools, whereas districts with static enrollment are able to build fancier auditoriums, pools and other such facilities. The Board will revisit the topic at a future date.

Mr. Strusz expressed sympathy on behalf of the District and Board to the family of Dennis Achenbaugh, district parent who passed away June 9, and recognized Mr. Achenbaugh’s 23 years of service in the US Navy.
Dr. Spelhaug noted the retirement of Joyce Bauwens, Payroll Secretary and Board Treasurer. Upon her retirement at the end of 2018, Joyce will have served the district in various capacities for 52 ½ years.

CONSENT AGENDA, June 11, 2018: Motion by Wagle, second by Brockmann that the consent agenda be approved as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

The June 11, 2018 consent agenda consists of the following:

- **MINUTES:** The approval of minutes of the May 29, 2018 regular meeting.

- **PERSONNEL:**
  CERTIFIED: Joe Nichols, 4th grade teacher at Bridgeview Elementary, has submitted his request for retirement effective the end of the 2019-20 school year.

  Jim Spelhaug, District Superintendent, has submitted his request for retirement effective the end of the 2018-19 school year.

CLASSIFIED: Joyce Bauwens, Payroll Secretary and Board Treasurer, has submitted her request for retirement effective December 31, 2018 after 52 ½ years of service to the district. Judy Houghton, Food Service Worker at Bridgeview Elementary and Cody Elementary, has submitted her resignation effective the end of the 2017-18 school year. Angela Howe, Educational Aide at Hopewell Elementary, has submitted her resignation effective the end of the 2017-18 school year. Corey Lopez, part time Custodian at Pleasant Valley High School, has completed his probationary period is recommended for regular employment effective June 18, 2018. Alisha Lovell, Food Service Worker at Cody Elementary, has received a 1.5 hours per day increase in her letter of assignment. Kelly Witcraft, Food Service Worker at Riverdale Heights Elementary, has submitted her resignation effective the end of the 2017-18 school year.

TEACHER LEADERSHIP: Larissa Bailey, Experienced Mentor; Catharine Casey, Year 1 Mentor; Brian DeHoff, Experienced Mentor; Jacob Grafenberg, Year 2 Mentor; Abbey Graffagna, Year 1 Mentor; Megan Halverson, Experienced Mentor; Megan Halverson, Year 1 Mentor; Carol Hamman, Year 1 Mentor; Nickalet Overstake, Year 1 Mentor; Jeremy Hoppe, Elementary Instructional Strategist.


EXTRA-CURRICULAR:

ADDS:  
Drew Croegaert  PVJH Head 7th grade Girls Basketball Coach  
Drew Croegaert  PVJH Assistant 8th grade Boys Basketball Coach  
Matt Gauss  PVJH Assistant 7th grade Boys Basketball Coach  
Phil Kenney  PVJH Assistant Football Coach  
Phil Kenney  PVJH Assistant Track Coach  

DROS:  
Alex Yank  PVJH Head 7th grade Girls Basketball Coach  
Jake Grafenberg  PVJH Assistant 8th grade Boys Basketball Coach  
Andy Merrill  PVJH Assistant 7th grade Boys Basketball Coach  
Dallas Duwa  PVJH Assistant Track Coach  
Taylor Rockey  PVJH Head Volleyball Coach  

• OPEN ENROLLMENT:  none this evening.

EXPENSES APPROVED:

Motion by Dickson, second by Ayers that General Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $502,307.46 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Anderson that Nutrition Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $35,693.42 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 $27,622.84 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Brockmann, second by Ayers that High School Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $61,617.20 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Hoskins that Capital Projects Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $1,138,377.59 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson, second by Wagle that PPEL Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $83,463.59 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Dickson that Internal Service Fund warrants 5814 through 5821 be issued in the total amount of $362,434.10 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Wagle, second by Brockmann that Trust Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $5,903.31 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.
**ELEMENTARY ENROLLMENT UPDATE:** Elementary enrollment continues to grow. Kindergarten placement creates the most significant challenge. At this time district-wide, 365 kindergarteners are enrolled, leaving 9 vacant seats. Hopewell and Pleasant View kindergarten classrooms are at capacity. All enrolled elementary children have been assigned to an elementary building.

No required motion.

**SUPERINTENDENT REPLACEMENT FRAMEWORK:** At the June 25th board meeting, Dr. Roark Horn, Executive Director of School Administrators of Iowa, will be present to begin working with the Board to develop a framework for the hiring of the next superintendent as Dr. Spelhaug has announced that he will retire at the end of the 2018-19 school year. The board received a list of questions which will help guide that discussion.

No required motion.

**ATTENDANCE, DISCIPLINE, AND LIAISON REPORTS:** Deputy Chad Weipert, PVHS Student Resource Officer, reported on 2017-18 chargeable offenses, including tobacco, alcohol, drug, obscene material, criminal mischief, assaults, thefts, and traffic offenses. He explained that a notable increase in tobacco offenses were attributable to student abuse of Juuls, small vaporizer devices similar to e-cigarettes designed for “vaping”. Iowa law categorizes such devises as cigarette/tobacco products, and possession or use by minors is a chargeable offense. District administrators will explore opportunities to inform students and faculty of the danger of Juuls, which contain concentrated levels of nicotine, a highly addictive substance.

Mike Peakin, PVHS Associate Principal, discussed attendance, referrals, and suspensions. He noted that average daily attendance has increased to 96.37%. For the 6th consecutive year, fewer suspensions were issued. For unserved detentions (historically the biggest cause of suspension), natural consequences such as loss of privileges are in place instead of suspension.

The Juvenile Court System Liaison reported 40 students on her caseload; 3 were under court supervision and 37 received at-risk services including organizational skills social skills, conflict resolution, and academic assistance.

Jason Jones, PVJH Dean of Students, reported on attendance and discipline. He noted that suspensions were up, but most involved disruptive behaviors by the same small handful of individuals. The PVJH Climate and Culture Committee is working toward aesthetics, team building, and common expectations as ways to enhance academic performance and reduce the occurrence of disciplinary events.

Dr. Spelhaug and the Board, on behalf of the District, thanked Deputy Jim Wilkison for his five years’ service as Student Resource Officer at Pleasant Valley Junior High School, as well as at our elementary schools. Deputy Wilkison was the first officer to serve in this position with the District, developed solid relationships with students and families, and provided each day for the safety and security of our students. Also introduced was Deputy Pete Bawden, who has replaced Deputy Wilkison.
Motion by Wagle, second by Brockmann that the board approve the junior high and high school attendance and discipline reports as presented. Roll call vote. Ayes – Anderson, Ayers, Hoskins, Cournoyer, Dickson, Brockmann, Wagle. Nays – none. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION FOR PURCHASE OF ATHLETIC PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:** HF 564, passed during the 2017 legislative session allows, by board resolution, transfer from the school corporation’s general fund to the student activity fund an amount necessary to purchase protective and safety equipment required for any extracurricular interscholastic athletic contest or competition that is sponsored or administered by and organization as defined in section 280.13.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Dickson that the board approve the transfer of $12,396.70 from the General Fund to the Student Activity fund for the purchase of athletic protective equipment as specified in 2017 HF 564. Roll call vote. Ayes - Anderson, Ayers, Hoskins, Cournoyer, Dickson, Brockmann, Wagle. Nays – none. Motion carried.

**2018 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES:** The Iowa Association of School Boards (IASB) has established August 10 as the deadline for districts to submit legislative priorities for the 2019 session.

2018 priorities included
- Supplemental State Aid
- State Penny for School Infrastructure
- TIF Reform
- Assessment

For 2019, the board discussed limiting priorities to just Supplemental State Aid (including a reference to vouchers) and State Penny for School Infrastructure so as to not dilute our message to legislators that adequate school funding must be the priority. This topic will again be an agenda item at the June 25th meeting.

No required motion.

**IASB COHERENCE MODULE #2:** At the May 29th meeting, the Board began a group study based on Michael Fullan and Joanne Quinn’s book *Coherence: The Right Drivers in Action for Schools, Districts and Systems*. This evening’s Part Two discussion focused on cultivating collaborative cultures with a growth mindset, and learning and leading for productive change with the predominant goal of assuring that every student graduates *college and career ready*, having acquired necessary knowledge, skills, and strategies to be successful in post-secondary opportunities.

No required motion.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** The meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.
**FUTURE DATES:**

Monday, June 25, 2018
Regular School Board Meeting 5:30 p.m.
Belmont Administration Center

Monday, July 16, 2018
Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
Belmont Administration Center

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The Pleasant Valley Community School District wishes to highlight the following **Employment opportunities:**

**District**
Substitute Aides $11.42 per hour (2018-19)

Part-time custodial positions - School year, 2nd shift; summer, 1st shift.
$17.59 per hour (2018-19).
Payroll Secretary - Administration Center
Building Secretary - Pleasant View Elementary
Various Aide positions

Please apply via Employment link at [www.pleasval.org](http://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](http://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.

James R. Spelhaug, Ph.D.
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