PEOPLE's VALLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Bettendorf, LeClaire, Riverdale
UNOFFICIAL MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
BELMONT ADMINISTRATION CENTER
Monday, August 13, 2018; 6:00 P.M. C.D.S.T.


Also present: Jim Spelhaug, Deborah Dayman, Mike Clingingsmith, Brian Strusz, Cindy Lewis, Eric Larew, Mike Zimmer, D'Anne Kroemer, Mike Peakin, Jason Jones, Jamie Homb, Dave Briden, Jeff Hill, and others.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

MOTION FOR EXEMPT SESSION: Motion by Anderson, second by Wagle 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 – Anderson, Hoskins, Cournoyer, Dickson, Brockmann, Wagle. 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.

Director Anderson reminded the Board of the Strongest Kid We Know Run/Walk to be held Thursday, August 16 in celebration of the life of Will Kohn.

Director Cournoyer recognized the PV Astronomy Club for their successful observing night held in conjunction with the Quad Cities Astronomical Society held at Pleasant Valley Junior High on August 11th.

The Board recognized the PV Trap Team for their many successes during the season. Present at the meeting were team members Jack Ager, Luke Ager, Brent Alman, Camden Docherty, Kai Docherty, Michael Lemburg, Oscar Olsen, Thomas Ruggere, Lila Teitle; coaches Brian Alman, John Ager, Shawn Docherty, and David Ruggere; and parents Kim Alman, Kelly Ager, Kim Lemburg, Henry Olson, Danielle Ruggere, and Kristine Teitle. The athletes presented to Pleasant Valley Junior High School and Pleasant Valley High School a number of trophies won this season.

CONSENT AGENDA, August 13, 2018: Motion by Wagle, second by Hoskins that the consent agenda be approved as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

The August 13, 2018 consent agenda consists of the following:
• MINUTES: The approval of minutes of the July 16, 2018 regular meeting.

• PERSONNEL:
  CERTIFIED: Kerry Anderson, Guidance Counselor at Pleasant Valley High School, has submitted her request for retirement effective the end of the 2018-19 academic year. Pam Ancelet, Math teacher at Pleasant Valley High School, is recommended for a contract expansion from .75 to .83 FTE. Pamela Boens is recommended for employment as a 4th grade teacher at Hopewell Elementary for the 2018-19 academic year. Amanda Bonjour, Teacher Librarian at Cody Elementary, has submitted her resignation effective the end of the 2017-18 academic year. Emma Crandall is recommended for employment as 3rd grade teacher at Hopewell Elementary for the 2018-19 academic year. Jamie Homb is recommended to serve as Interim Dean of Students, Pleasant Valley Junior High School for the 2018-19 academic year. David Hult, History Teacher at Pleasant Valley High School, has submitted his request for retirement effective the end of the 2018-19 academic year. Jason Jones is recommended to serve as Interim Associate Principal at Pleasant Valley High School for the 2018-19 academic year. Eric Larew, English Teacher and TLS at Pleasant Valley High School, has submitted his request for retirement effective the end of the 2018-19 academic year. Susan McGivern, 4th grade teacher at Hopewell Elementary, has submitted her resignation effective the end of the 2017-18 academic year. Michael Mendelin is recommended for employment as Teacher Librarian at Cody Elementary effective the 2018-19 academic year. Tom Neuhaus, Guidance Counselor at Pleasant Valley High School, has submitted his request for retirement effective the end of the 2018-19 academic year. Mike Peakin is recommended to serve as Interim Principal at Pleasant Valley Junior High School for the 2018-19 academic year. Megan Radosевич, 1st Grade Teacher at Pleasant View Elementary, has submitted her resignation effective the end of the 2017-18 academic year. Note: Sara Calderon will serve as part-time Orchestral Strings Teacher. This is a shared position with Bettendorf Community School District, and her contract is with Bettendorf CSD. The districts will share expenses related to this position.

CLASSIFIED:
  Vickie Costello, Special Education Aide, has been transferred from Bridgeview Elementary to Cody Elementary starting August 23, 2018. Mary E. Johnson, Special Education Aide at Pleasant Valley High School, has submitted her resignation effective the end of the 2017-18 academic year. Nick Stader is recommended for regular employment as a Special Education Aide at Pleasant Valley High School starting August 23, 2018.

CLASSIFIED (for information only):
  Erika Coyomani is recommended for probationary employment as a lunch server at Bridgeview Elementary starting August 20, 2018. Missy Huff is recommended for probationary employment as an Administrative Assistant at Belmont Administration Center starting September 4, 2018. Megan Kohn is recommended for probationary employment as a General / Special Education Aide at Riverdale Heights Elementary starting August 23, 2018. Heidi Moran is recommended for probationary employment as a Special Education Aide at Hopewell Elementary starting August 23, 2018. Deepa Ramanathan is recommended for probationary employment as an Educational Aide at Cody Elementary starting August 23, 2018. Jarrod Richardson is recommended for probationary employment as a General / Special Education Aide at Bridgeview Elementary starting August 23, 2018. Lavanya Vijayaraghavan is recommended for probationary employment as a Special Education Aide at Riverdale Heights Elementary starting August 23, 2018.
TEACHER LEADERSHIP:
DROPS: Megan Radosevich, 1st grade Instructional Strategist, Pleasant View Elementary.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR:
ADDS: Kalie Pillow PVJH 7th Grade Volleyball Head Coach
DROPS: Theresa Barber District Robotics Coordinator
Stacy Ruff PVJH 7th Grade Volleyball Head Coach

• OPEN ENROLLMENT: Two IN from Bettendorf, one IN from Davenport, one IN from North Scott.
• Cooperative Teaching Agreements: University of Iowa; Dakota State University

EXPENSES APPROVED:

Motion by Dickson, second by Brockmann that General Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $1,918,351.62 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 $4,271.11 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 $10,382.39 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Hoskins that High School Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $52,322.77 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Brockmann, second by Dickson that Management Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $13,581.00 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Dickson that Capital Projects Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $939,579.94 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Brockmann that PPEL Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $269,426.98 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Wagle, second by Hoskins that Debt Service Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $92,564.47 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Dickson that Internal Service Fund warrants 5834 through 5846 be issued in the total amount of $419,576.96 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Brockmann, second by Dickson that Trust Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $382.10 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.
SUPERINTENDENT REPLACEMENT LISTENING TOUR: The Board initiated its Superintendent Replacement Listening Tour during which various district stakeholder groups have the opportunity to share with the Board of Education input regarding the superintendent search. Three forums were held this evening – elementary administrators at 4:30, secondary administrators at 5:15, and a public forum during the board meeting. A complete listing of public forums is included below. The main points of inquiry:

1. What are the District’s greatest strengths?
2. In what areas would you like to see the District improve? What ideas can you suggest to achieve these improvements?
3. What are the most important qualities you seek in the next superintendent?
4. The Board is considering an internal candidate, Assistant Superintendent Brian Strusz. What do you consider to be the advantages and disadvantages of hiring an internal candidate?

No required motion.

ELEMENTARY ENROLLMENT UPDATE: The Board reviewed the most recent elementary enrollment numbers, and will continue to do so until school starts. An unusually large number of new kindergarten enrollments during the summer months forced an increase kindergarten classroom size from 22 to 23 students, allowing some students previously assigned to a building other than their neighborhood school to be reassigned to their neighborhood school. The district will return to limiting kindergarten classroom size to 22 students for the 2019-20 school year or no later than the opening of our sixth elementary building, Forest Grove Elementary, slated for 2021-22.

No required motion.

SCHEMATIC DESIGN AND DESIGN DEVELOPMENT FOR FOREST GROVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL: Dave Briden from District architectural firm frk presented Schematic Design and Design Development for Forest Grove Elementary School. Bids are scheduled to be opened on December 13, 2018; construction will commence in April 2019 and the building is expected to be in service for the 2021-22 academic year. Budgeted cost is $18 million for a full two section building including enhanced special education facilities. The District will share with the City of Bettendorf construction and civil engineering costs for common areas.


PLEASANT VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL CHANGE ORDERS: This most recent collection of change orders (net deduct of $16,513.00) increases the contingency balance to $267,500.

Ragan Mechanical, Inc. Change Order #10; add of $275.00 Cost to provide labor and material to install transfer duct in the music room. (Portion of former “D” gym)
Motion by Dickson, second by Brockmann that the Board approve Ragan Mechanical, Inc. Change Order #10 in the amount of an add of $275.00 for the high school addition and remodel project. Roll call vote. Ayes – Anderson, Hoskins, Cournoyer, Dickson, Brockmann, Wagle. Nays – none. Motion carried.

River Valley Construction, Inc. Change Order #10; add of $3,148.00 Cost to provide labor and material to install acoustical ceiling outside of weight room door. ($118.00), provide labor and material to perform work on corridor revision as quoted ($3,030.00).

Motion by Hoskins, second by Wagle that the Board approve River Valley Construction, Inc. Change Order #10 in the amount of an add of $3,148.00 for the high school addition and remodel project. Roll call vote. Ayes – Anderson, Hoskins, Cournoyer, Dickson, Brockmann, Wagle. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Seedorff Masonry, Inc. Change Order #8; deduct of $19,936.00 This decrease offsets River Valley Construction Change Order #9 add approved July 16, 2018 for revised wall design in the corridor adjacent to the former “D” gym.

Motion by Wagle, second by Hoskins that the Board approve Seedorff Masonry, Inc. Change Order #8 in the amount of a deduct of $19,936.00 for the high school addition and remodel project. Roll call vote. Ayes – Anderson, Hoskins, Cournoyer, Dickson, Brockmann, Wagle. Nays – none. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SALE OF BONDS: In order to continue to fund the District’s expansion and renovation projects, the next planned District borrow is moving forward. To avoid additional fees and benefit from favorable interest rates, the Board made the decision to initiate one large borrow (approximately $30 Million) instead of three smaller borrows. Since this borrowing includes both sales tax and PPEL revenue streams, separate motions are required.


Motion by Dickson, second by Brockmann that the Board approve the engagement letter with Piper Jaffray as presented. Roll call vote. Ayes – Anderson, Hoskins, Cournoyer, Dickson, Brockmann, Wagle. Nays – none. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH PIPER JAFFRAY (PPEL NOTES): This agreement between Piper Jaffray and Pleasant Valley CSD covers the issuance of PPEL (Physical Plant and Equipment Levy) notes. This will be the first time the District has issued PPEL Notes.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Anderson that the Board approve the financial services agreement with Piper Jaffray as presented. Roll call vote. Ayes – Anderson, Hoskins, Cournoyer, Dickson, Brockmann, Wagle. Nays – none. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF ENGAGEMENT LETTER WITH AHLERS & COONEY (SALES TAX BONDS): Ahlers & Cooney serves as District Bond Counsel.

Motion by Wagle, second by Brockmann that the Board approve the engagement letter with Ahlers & Cooney for the issuance of sales tax bonds as presented. Roll call vote. Ayes – Anderson, Hoskins, Cournoyer, Dickson, Brockmann, Wagle. Nays – none. Motion carried.
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Motion by Dickson, second by Hoskins that the Board approve the engagement letter with Ahlers & Cooney for the issuance of PPEL notes as presented. Roll call vote. Ayes – Anderson, Hoskins, Cournoyer, Dickson, Brockmann, Wagle. Nays – none. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION DIRECTING SALE OF SALES TAX BONDS: Bid proposals were received August 9, 2018. The bid recommended for approval is from JP Morgan Chase Bank NA: Par amount $14 million; interest rate 2.93%; call date July 1, 2024. The anticipated interest rate was 3.5%. This lower interest rate coupled with a projection of increased revenue from the statewide penny sales tax for school infrastructure has increased borrowing capacity, potentially eliminating the need to borrow additional funds in 2019-20.
Motion by Hoskins, second by Anderson that the Board approve the “Resolution Directing the Sale of $14,000,000 School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2018 as presented. Roll call vote. Ayes – Anderson, Hoskins, Cournoyer, Dickson, Brockmann, Wagle. Nays – none. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION FIXING THE DATE OF SALE, APPROVAL OF ELECTRONIC BIDDING PROCEDURES AND APPROVAL OF OFFICIAL STATEMENT (PPEL NOTES):
The resolution includes the following:
1. The time and place of sale –Monday, August 27, 2018 until 1:00 pm at the Belmont Administration Center.
2. The use of the PARITY Competitive Bidding System and electronic bidding procedures.
3. The distribution of the Preliminary Official Statement.
Motion by Dickson, second by Hoskins that the Board approve the Resolution Fixing the Date of Sale, Approving Electronic Bidding Procedures and Approving Official Statement as presented. Roll call vote. Ayes – Anderson, Hoskins, Cournoyer, Dickson, Brockmann, Wagle. Nays – none. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION TO ISSUE DEBT TO REIMBURSE THE SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR CERTAIN ORIGINAL EXPENDITURES PAID IN CONNECTION WITH SPECIFIED PROJECTS: Passage of this resolution allows the District to use proceeds of the Sales Tax Bond issuance to reimburse itself for expenditures made within sixty (60) days prior to this Board action, such as recent expenses related to the high school expansion and renovation.

EXEMPT SESSION - NEGOTIATIONS: The board met in closed session from 8:16 – 8:47 for the purpose of discussing negotiations. No motions were made during closed session.

MEETING ADJOURNED: The meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

FUTURE DATES:
Thursday, August 23, 2018 First Day of School
Monday August 27, 2018 Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
Belmont Administration Center
Monday September 10, 2018 Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
Belmont Administration Center
SUPERINTENDENT REPLACEMENT LISTENING TOUR PUBLIC FORUM DATES:
Monday, August 27 6:00 p.m.  during the regularly scheduled School Board Meeting
Wednesday, August 29 7:00 p.m.  Pleasant Valley High School Commons area
Thursday, September 6 7:00 p.m.  Pleasant Valley Junior High library
Monday, September 10 6:00 p.m.  during the regularly scheduled School Board Meeting

PLEASANT VALLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
PLEASANT VALLEY, IOWA
UNOFFICIAL MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION, EXEMPT SESSION, BELMONT ADMINISTRATION CENTER
Monday, August 13, 2018 8:16 P.M. C.D.S.T.

Exempt session was called to order at 8:16 p.m. by President Cournoyer. Members present: Anderson, Hoskins, Cournoyer, Dickson, Brockmann, Wagle. Absent – Ayers. Also present: Jim Spelhaug, Deborah Dayman, Brian Strusz, Mike Clingingsmith, and Cindy Lewis.

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

**Custodial**

Full Time Custodian – 1st shift - High School
Year Round Position
Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. (1/2 hour lunch) or *as assigned.  7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. (Summer hours)

*As assigned is dictated by the needs of the district to deal with snow, emergencies and work load, and can occur 24/7.

Please apply via Employment link at [www.pleasval.org](http://www.pleasval.org)  PVCSD is EOE/AA
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.

James R. Spelhaug, Ph.D.
Superintendent