PLEASANT VALLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Bettendorf, LeClaire, Riverdale
UNOFFICIAL MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
BELMONT ADMINISTRATION CENTER
Monday, October 8, 2018; 6:00 P.M. C.D.S.T.


Also present: Jim Spelhaug, Deborah Dayman, Mike Clingingsmith, Brian Strusz, and Cindy Lewis.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Wagle, second by Ayers that the Board hold a closed session as provided in Section 21.5(1)(i) of the open meetings law to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose performance is being considered to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual’s reputation, as that individual has requested a closed session. Roll call vote. Ayes – Anderson, Ayers, 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 Hoskins congratulated the boys golf team, 2018 IHSA 4A State Golf Runners-up - the best finish at the state tournament in Spartan golf history. Individual medal winners include Jack Roemer, 6th place and Jack Dumas, 7th place.

Director Wagle thanked the Board for their participation in the superintendent replacement listening tour forums.

President Cournoyer recognized the organizers of the Mississippi Bend AEA Board and Administrator Banquet held October 3rd. Speaker Jamie Vollmer introduced The Great Conversation, a series of video presentations which emphasize the value of public education and future challenges.

She also thanked organizers of the Future Ready Iowa Convention and commended PV students who presented alongside Deere and Company.

Dr. Lewis thanked Judy Keppy, Ag in the Classroom Coordinator for Scott County Farm Bureau. Ms. Keppy visited each kindergarten classroom to prepare students for their fall farm field trips.

Dr. Spelhaug shared condolences with the family of Melvin Eberlein, PVHS associate principal 1972 – 1977.
CONSENT AGENDA, October 8, 2018: Motion by Ayers, second by Anderson that the consent agenda be approved as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

The October 8, 2018 consent agenda consists of the following:

- MINUTES: The approval of minutes of the September 24, 2018 Regular meeting.
- PERSONNEL:
  CERTIFIED: none
  CLASSIFIED: Cynthia Blake, Head Building Secretary at Pleasant View Elementary, is nearing the end of her probationary period and is recommended for regular employment starting October 16, 2018. Nicholas Dilley, part time Custodian at Pleasant Valley High School, is nearing the end of his probationary period and is recommended for regular employment starting October 16, 2018. James Grant, part time Custodian at Pleasant View Elementary, is nearing the end of his probationary period and is recommended for regular employment starting October 16, 2018.
  CLASSIFIED (for information only): Taylor Fox is recommended for probationary employment as a Special Education Associate at Hopewell Elementary starting October 1, 2018. Matthew McLaughlin is recommended for probationary employment as the Grounds/Maintenance Assistant starting October 15, 2018. Alexis Quandt is recommended for probationary employment as a Preschool Special Education Aide at Bridgeview Elementary starting October 1, 2018.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR:

  ADDS: Sankari Kandasamy District Robotics Coordinator
        PVHS Assistant Robotics Coordinator

- OPEN ENROLLMENT: one IN from Davenport.

EXPENSES APPROVED:

Motion by Hoskins, second by Ayers that General Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $202,023.15 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Brockmann that Nutrition Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $49,733.75 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Wagle, second by Hoskins that Elementary/Junior High Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $3,207.91 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Dickson that High School Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $25,647.33 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Ayers that Management Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $27,419.00 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Wagle, second by Brockmann that Capital Projects Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $465,344.97 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.
Motion by Brockmann, second by Hoskins that PPEL Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $218,581.63 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Brockmann that Internal Service Fund warrants 5861 through 5867 be issued in the total amount of $383,070.73 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Ayers that Trust Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $370.63 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT REPLACEMENT PROCESS: President Cournoyer explained to the Board the structure of the superintendent interview to be held with Brian Strusz during executive session. Mr. Clingingsmith, Dr. Lewis and Mr. Strusz exited the meeting at 6:20 p.m. Dr. Spelhaug exited the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

No required motion

EXECUTIVE SESSION – PERSONNEL: Mr. Strusz returned to the meeting, and the Board entered Executive (closed) Session at 6:30 p.m. for the purpose of interviewing him for the position of Superintendent of Schools. Upon conclusion of the interview, Mr. Strusz exited the meeting and the Board deliberated. No action was taken during Executive Session. Executive Session adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

SUPERINTENDENT REPLACEMENT PROCESS: The Board resumed open session at 8:35 p.m. with Dr. Spelhaug and Mr. Strusz present. The Board extended their thanks to district faculty and staff, as well as to all district residents for their interest and participation in the superintendent replacement process and the listening sessions. Valuable perspectives and insights were gleaned during that process. The Board announced their unanimous decision that Mr. Strusz be named the district’s next superintendent upon Dr. Spelhaug’s retirement.

Motion by Dickson, second by Anderson, Ayers, Hoskins, Cournoyer, Brockmann, and Wagle that the Board appoint Brian Strusz to serve as superintendent and extend a two year contract effective July 1, 2019. Roll call vote. Ayes - Anderson, Ayers, Hoskins, Cournoyer, Dickson, Brockmann, Wagle. Nays – none. Motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED: The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

FUTURE DATES:
Monday, October 22, 2018 Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
Belmont Administration Center
Monday, November 12, 2018 Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
Belmont Administration Center
Executive meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Cournoyer. Members present: Anderson, Ayers, Hoskins, Cournoyer, Dickson, Brockmann, Wagle. Absent – none. Also present: Deborah Dayman.

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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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**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.

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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