
Also present: Jim Spelhaug, Brian Strusz, Cindy Lewis, Mike Clingingsmith, Deborah Dayman, Tony Runkle, Dr. Tadhika Kolla, Jenel Nels, Mindy Swank, Dr. Sarah Lentz-Kapua, Sarah Ritter and others.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

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

COMMUNICATIONS: President Wagle 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.

Dr. Lewis shared with the Board an update on the Born Learning Academy. In partnership with United Way, Pleasant Valley Schools is hosting a Born Learning Academy at Bridgeview Elementary for parents of preschoolers birth – 5 years old. 22 families will meet for six weeks to discuss topics including brain development, early literacy skills, establishing routines, health and nutrition, and relationships.

Dr. Spelhaug thanked the Board on behalf of all administrators at the board table for Board members’ generous holiday contributions to the Pleasant Valley Education Foundation. He also thanked Cindy Ingleby for her 24 years’ service to the district. Ms. Ingleby has announced she will retire at the conclusion of the current school year.

APPOINTMENT/ELECTION OF OFFICERS: The Board Secretary administered the oath of office to President Nikhil Wagle. Dr. Wagle, former Vice President, assumes the role of President upon the resignation of President Cournoyer, who has been elected to the Iowa State Senate.

The Board unanimously elected Jodi Hoskins to serve as Vice President. President Wagle administered the oath of office to Ms. Hoskins.

CONSENT AGENDA, January 14, 2019: Motion by Ayers, second by Anderson that the consent agenda be approved as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

The January 14, 2019 consent agenda consists of the following:

- MINUTES: The approval of minutes of the December 17, 2018 Regular meeting.
PERSONNEL:
CERTIFIED: Cindy Ingleby, 4th grade teacher at Riverdale Heights Elementary, has submitted her request for early retirement effective the end of the 2018-19 school year after 24 years’ service to the district.

CLASSIFIED: Karen Brown is recommended for employment as Bridgeview Elementary Head Building Secretary effective the 2019-20 school year. (Probationary period waived as she is a long time district employee.) Tony Cox, Campus Monitor at Pleasant Valley High School, has submitted his resignation effective January 4, 2019. Nancy Hagge, Educational Aide at Bridgeview Elementary, is nearing the end of her probationary period and is recommended for regular employment effective January 16, 2019. Laurie Hamilton, Educational Aide at Bridgeview Elementary, has submitted her request for retirement effective June 19, 2019 after 12 years’ service to the district.

CLASSIFIED (for information only): Hunter Hendricksen is recommended for probationary employment as a Special Education Aide at Hopewell Elementary effective January 3, 2019. Matthew McLaughlin is recommended for probationary employment as the Building/Grounds Mechanic’s Assistant effective December 26, 2018. Roy Townsend is recommended for probationary employment as a Full Time Second Shift Custodian at Pleasant Valley High School effective December 26, 2018.

TEACHER LEADERSHIP:

ADDS: Thomas Lovejoy PVHS Instructional Coach
      Katharine Mulfinger PVHS Instructional Coach

EXTRA-CURRICULAR:

ADDS: Jake Grafenberg PVHS Assistant Freshman Baseball Coach
      Nick Stader PVJH Assistant Boys Basketball Coach

DROPS: Sara Bertog PVJH Assistant Boys Basketball Coach
       Jake Grafenberg PVHS Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach

OPEN ENROLLMENT: none this evening

EARLY GRADUATION PETITIONS: Vashi Chintalapalli, Ana Paustian, Olivia Penland, and Erika Seitz have submitted petition for early graduation. Graduation requirements have been met; counselors and administrators have approved the requests.

The Board Secretary will administer the oath of office to the newly appointed Board Treasurer, Kelly Hatler, upon the retirement of former Board Treasurer Joyce Bauwens on Tuesday, January 15, 2019.
EXPENSES APPROVED:

Motion by Dickson, second by Brockmann that General Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $591,827.88 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Ayers that Nutrition Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $74,081.16 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Anderson that Elementary/Junior High Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $5,334.90 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Ayers that High School Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $24,816.85 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ayers, second by Anderson that Management Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $20,940.47 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson, second by Ayers that Capital Projects Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $263,112.15 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Brockmann that PPEL Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $166,062.54 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Ayers that Debt Service Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $243,293.21 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson, second by Hoskins that Internal Service Fund warrants 5893 through 5902 be issued in the total amount of $425,854.64 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 $1,699.68 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

2019-20 SCHOOL CALENDAR: During three previous meetings, the Board reviewed the 2019-20 calendar and associated dates including reporting dates and conferences. The calendar reflects the state mandated start date of August 23rd, winter break December 23rd – January 3rd, and spring break March 16th – 20th. Graduation will be held May 31st. The nature of the calendar makes it impossible to have the class of 2020 commencement ceremony on Memorial weekend. Last day of school barring snow days would be June 5th. President Wagle opened the public hearing at 6:22 p.m. There being no comments, public hearing closed at 6:23 p.m.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Ayers that the board approve the hours-based 2019-20 calendar as presented. Roll call vote. Ayes – Anderson, Ayers, Hoskins, Dickson, Brockmann, Wagle. Nays – none. Motion carried.

RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT FOREST GROVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BIDS: Bids were received Thursday, December 13th, 2018 for the Forest Grove Elementary School project. Tricon General Construction, Inc. submitted the low bid; base amount $17,840,000. The following alternates were recommended in order to bring the net contract price to $17,405,400:
Motion

### Motion #6: 30 p.m.

MOTION:

1. Cafeteria ceiling finish: deduct $50,600
2. Rooftop RTU screens: deduct $140,000
3. Paving: deduct $275,000
4. Generator: add $65,000
5. RTU 2: deduct $34,000

Construction will commence April 2019; occupancy anticipated August 2021.

President Wagle opened the public hearing at 6:29 p.m. There being no comments, public hearing closed at 6:30 p.m.

Motion by Dickson, second by Brockmann the board approve the bid with Tricon General Construction Inc. for the base bid amount of $17,840,000 and alternates 3,4,5,6 and 7 for a net deduct of $434,600 and net contract amount of $17,405,400. Roll call vote. Ayes – Anderson, Ayers, Hoskins, Dickson, Brockmann, Wagle. Nays – none. Motion carried.

**REVIEW OF 2017-18 AT RISK-DATA, 2018-19 BUDGET AND 2019-20 AT-RISK DROPOUT PREVENTION PROGRAM PROPOSAL:**

The Pleasant Valley School District provides a continuum of support to advance the academic achievement and overall development of all students. This support includes alternative educational opportunities of “at risk” programming. Mr. Strusz shared with the Board 2017-18 data and the 2018-19 application and budget. Services include:

- **Edison Academy** – an alternative program designed for potential or returning dropout students aged 16 and above to encourage and facilitate progress toward the acquisition of a high school diploma. 18 students were served.
- **Intensive Academic/Interpersonal Support** – Academic and interpersonal needs of students grade 7-12 are addressed via alternative instruction, goal establishment, close monitoring, tutoring, and various other interventions in individual, small group, and classroom settings. 147 students were served.
- **Intensive Guidance Services** – Students displaying frequent, intensive, and ongoing behaviors including poor attendance, poor social skills, or a lack of social/emotional connectedness receive individual and small group counseling. 115 students were served.
- **Juvenile Court Liaison** – Through a jointly funded community and school endeavor, the Juvenile Court Liaison supervises a caseload of students grade 9-12. Support is unique to the needs of the student. 23 students were served.
- **Remedial Reading** – students grades 4-8 who have been identified through standardized testing, performance or teacher referral receive instruction focusing on decoding skills and reading comprehension strategy in a small group setting. 150 students were served.
- **Summer School** – The summer school program focuses on skill deficits precluding academic success in reading and math. Students in grades 6-7 receive two weeks of intensive assistance; students grades 8-11 participate in credit recovery programs. 50 students were served.

Mr. Clingingsmith reviewed the 2019-2020 Modified Supplemental Amount Application for Dropout Prevention. The MSA/DOP is the partial funding mechanism for at-risk services. The MSA for 2019-2020 is $832,450 as compared with $853,940 in 2018-2019.

2019-20 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING DATES: The following 2019-20 board meeting dates are proposed:

August 12 & 26  February 10 & 24
September 9 & 23  March 23
October 14 & 28  April 13 & 27
November 11 & 25  May 11 & 26 (Tuesday)
December 16  June 8 & 22
January 13 & 27  July 13

Note that meetings will begin at 6:00 p.m. unless high school music events are scheduled. A 5:30 start time will be recommended on those evenings to minimize conflict.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Ayers that the Board approve the board meeting schedule as presented. Roll call vote. Ayes – Anderson, Ayers, Hoskins, Dickson, Brockmann, Wagle. Nays – none. Motion carried.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS: Mr. Clingingsmith presented the monthly financial reports for November 2018. Through November, General Fund revenue totaled $19,718,335 and expenses totaled $14,455,297. The fund balance in the General Fund at November 30, 2018 was $11,851,282. Also presented were Management, PPEL, Capital Projects, Debt Service, Nutrition, Internal Service, and Activity Funds reports. No significant variances from projections were noted.

Motion by Ayers, second by Anderson that the board accept the monthly financial reports for November as presented. Roll call vote. Ayes - Anderson, Ayers, Hoskins, Dickson, Brockmann, Wagle. Nays – none. Motion carried.

CANDIDATE INTERVIEWS – BOARD OF EDUCATION DIRECTOR DISTRICT #1: Completed applications were received by four candidates, and each was interviewed by the Board: Dr. Radhika Kolla, Jenel Nels, Mindy Swank and Dr. Sarah Lentz-Kapua. The candidate selected by the Board to fill the Director District #1 seat will be appointed at the January 28th meeting.

No required Motion

EXEMPT SESSION – NEGOTIATIONS, CODE OF IOWA, SECTION 20.17(3): The Board met in exempt session from 7:37 to 8:14 p.m. for the purpose of discussing negotiations. No action was taken during exempt session.

MEETING ADJOURNED: The meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

FUTURE DATES:
Monday, January 28, 2019  Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
Belmont Administration Center

Monday, February 11, 2019  Regular School Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
Belmont Administration Center
Exempt session was called to order at 7:37 p.m. by President Wagle.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ayers, Anderson, Dickson, Hoskins, Brockmann, Wagle. Absent – none. Also present: Jim Spelhaug, Brian Strusz, Cindy Lewis, Mike Clingingsmith, Deborah Dayman.

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

EXEMPT SESSION - NEGOTIATIONS: The board met in closed session from 7:37 – 8:14 for the purpose of discussing negotiations. No motions were made during closed session.

The meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

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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 Open Enrollment information and application, visit the district website at www.pleasval.org/schools/enrollment or contact Deborah Dayman daymandeborah@pleasval.k12.ia.us (563)332-5550.

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

High School
Assistant Band Director
Guidance Counselor (2 positions)
Part-Time Custodian – 2nd shift Year Round Position
“As assigned”, dictated by the needs of the district to deal with snow, emergencies and work load, and can occur 24/7.
District Print Shop Coordinator

Elementary
General Music Teacher

Director of Operations Post-secondary degree or experience in construction, engineering and supervision. Prefer experience with heating, air conditioning, electrical equipment, and construction. Must have a high degree of computer literacy and operations. Such alternative to the above qualifications as the School Board may find appropriate and acceptable.
Grounds / Maintenance Assistant  Year Round, Hours: 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (1/2 hour lunch) or as assigned  
“As assigned” is dictated by the needs of the district to deal with snow, emergencies and work load, and can occur 24/7.

Duties included:
- Mowing with large tractor
- Custodial work 1st or 2nd shift
- Snow removal with pickup truck

Must have or be able to obtain a CDL Driver’s License

All Buildings: Substitute teachers, educational aides, and custodians

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

JULY 2018
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