MEMBERS PRESENT: Jenel Nels, Molly Brockmann, Jean Dickson, Nikhil Wagle, Jodi Hoskins, Brent Ayers, Tina Anderson. Absent – none. Also present: Brian Strusz, Mike Zimmer (remotely), Cindy Lewis, Mike Clingingsmith, Deborah Dayman, Representative Norlin Mommsen, Senator Chris Cournoyer (telephonically), Kevin Pennekamp, Mike Peakin (remotely), Tia Hicks (remotely), Laurie Brasche (remotely), Leland Zenk (remotely), Chris Welch, Carrie Skillin (remotely), Briana Barclay, Alexia Patramanis 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 EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Nels, second by Ayers that 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 - Nels, Brockmann, Dickson, Wagle, Hoskins, Ayers, Anderson. 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.

Mr. Zimmer shared Advanced Placement Testing results. Pleasant Valley High School offered 15 AP courses and 293 students enrolled in those courses. 503 exams were administered (up from 375 in 2019) and 83% passed with a 3 or higher. The Board recognized the students’ success and thanked high school faculty for their commendable efforts.

Dr. Lewis reported that K-8 summer school started Monday, July 20. Elementary students are being served online and junior high students are being taught in the classroom with appropriate personal protective measures and temperature monitoring in place.

Mr. Strusz highlighted people making a difference in or for the District.
- Brandon Tolle, PVHS Industrial Technology teacher, designed and created the PV Reaching for Excellence Logo in metal to be displayed in the Boardroom.
- 1,100 protective face shields have been donated to the District from local industries: 100 from Deere & Company and 500 each from Grace Technologies and LyondellBasell.
- Pack the Backpacks, a charitable effort organized by district parent Marie Feehan and supported by a number PV families, assembled more than 500 backpacks to be distributed by Quad City area schools and social service organizations to children in need. Also contributed were calculators and backpacks suitable for use by junior high students.
Pleasant Valley teachers who have served on Return to Learn committees and Professional Development committees so that students can be effectively served and teachers appropriately prepared when school resumes in the fall.

**CONSENT AGENDA, July 20, 2020:** Motion by Ayers, second by Hoskins that the consent agenda be approved as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

The July 20, 2020 consent agenda consists of the following:

- **MINUTES:** The approval of minutes of the June 22, 2020 Regular meeting and Executive Session.

- **PERSONNEL:**
  - **CERTIFIED:** Ellen Kendrick is recommended for employment as a Language Arts teacher at Pleasant Valley High School starting the 2020-21 school year.
  - **CLASSIFIED:** Greg Anderson, Part Time Custodian at the Belmont Administration Center, has submitted his resignation effective July 24, 2020. Casey Berry, Building Mechanic, is nearing the end of this probationary period and is recommended for regular employment starting August 1, 2020. Debbie Bortolazzo is recommended for regular employment as a Study Hall Supervisor at Pleasant Valley Junior High starting August 24, 2020. (Probationary period waived as she has served as a long term substitute.) RaeAnne DePover, Special Education Aide at Riverdale Heights Elementary, has submitted her resignation effective the end of the 2020-21 school year.
  - **CLASSIFIED (information only):** Tom Ries is recommended for probationary employment as a Special Education Aide at Riverdale Heights Elementary starting August 24, 2020. Rebekah Wilson is recommended for probationary employment as a Special Education Aide at Pleasant View Elementary starting August 24, 2020.

- **SUMMER SCHOOL:**
  - ADD: Laura Wilga Fourth Grade Online 10 days
  - DROP: Cindi VenHorst Fourth Grade Online 10 days

- **NEW TEACHER MENTORS:** Erin Ahnquist, Riverdale Heights ELP Experienced Mentor; Bev Anderson, Riverdale Heights Teacher Librarian Experienced Mentor; Monica Belby, Pleasant View Fourth Grade Experienced Mentor; Kaitlin Carlin, Bridgeview Second Grade Experienced Mentor; Katie Casper, Junior High Special Education Experienced Mentor; Keith Cavanagh, Pleasant View Guidance Counselor Experienced Mentor; Julia Gefell, Hopewell 3rd Grade Experienced Mentor; Josh Hoffman, High School Science Experienced Mentor; Emma Hubner, Bridgeview/Cody Art Experienced Mentor; Brian McGurk, Junior High Social Studies Experienced Mentor; Angela Spartz, Pleasant View Fifth Grade Experienced Mentor; Alyssa VanSpeybroeck, Riverdale Heights Special Education Experienced Mentor; Megan Halverson, Bridgeview First Grade Experienced Mentor1; Heather Jeffers, Junior High Language Arts Experienced Mentor1; Abby Brown, Hopewell Kindergarten Year 1 Mentor; Danielle Davenport, High School Business Year 1 Mentor; Philip George, High School Social Studies Year 1 Mentor; Lynne Lundberg, High School English Year 1 Mentor; Alexandria Medenci, High School Art Year 1 Mentor; Lindsay Moore, Hopewell Special Ed. Strat II: BD Year 1 Mentor;
Brenda Pardoe, High School/Junior High FACS Year 1 Mentor;  Sara Russell, High School Social Studies Year 1 Mentor;  Jen Umland, Riverdale Heights Third Grade Year 1 Mentor; Katharine Mulfginger, High School Language Arts/Reading Year 1 Mentor (split); Stacey Ruff, Junior High Language Arts/Reading Year 1 Mentor (split); Erin Woods, Riverdale Heights Fourth Grade Year 1 Mentor1; Megan Halverson, Bridgeview First Grade Year 1 Mentor2; Heather Jeffers, Junior High Language Arts Year 1 Mentor2; David Barber, Riverdale Heights Sixth Grade Year 2 Mentor; Katie Bucht, High School World Language Year 2 Mentor; Jackie Edgin, High School Science Year 2 Mentor; Grant Erickson, Pleasant View Science Year 2 Mentor; Mallory Glanzman, Hopewell Special Education Year 2 Mentor; Teresa Sack, Pleasant View Sp. Ed. Strat II: ID Year 2 Mentor; Michaela Sheerin, Hopewell PreSchool Year 2 Mentor; Val Tucker, High School Professional School Counselor Year 2 Mentor; Kimberly VerHecke, High School Mathematics Year 2 Mentor; Jason Vice, Junior High Wellness Year 2 Mentor; Jenny Lauritsen, Junior High Sp. Ed. Strat II: ID Year 2 Mentor1; Jenny Lauritsen, Junior High Special Education Year 2 Mentor2; Erin Woods, Riverdale Heights Fourth Grade Year 2 Mentor.

- OPEN ENROLLMENT: Seven students IN from Bettendorf

- COOPERATIVE TEACHING AGREEMENT: St. Ambrose University and Augustana College

- CHANGE IN EMPLOYEE BUSINESS TRAVEL MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT RATE: Due to the decrease in the price of gasoline, the rate has been adjusted to $0.27 per mile effective July 1, 2020 as per the employee business travel reimbursement rate matrix approved by the Board July 1, 2009.

EXPENSES APPROVED:

Motion by Dickson, second by Brockmann that General Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $1,094,099.02 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ayers, second by Anderson that Nutrition Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $3,255.20 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Brockmann, second by Dickson that Elementary/Junior High Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $11,842.68 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 $56,518.68 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Nels, second by Hoskins that Management Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $260,123.50 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Ayers that Capital Projects Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $15,524.40 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Nels that PPEL Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $726,446.53 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.
Motion by Brockmann, second by Dickson that Debt Service Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $1,725,746.00 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Ayers that Internal Service Fund warrants 6110 through 6118 be issued in the total amount of $472,678.00 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ayers, second by Nels that Trust Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $722.58 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Representative Gary Mohr joined the meeting telephonically during the Legislative Priorities discussion.

2021 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES: Representative Norlin Mommsen, Senator Chris Cournoyer (telephonically) and Representative Gary Mohr (telephonically) shared highlights from the 2020 legislative session along with key priorities for the upcoming year. The District also shared key priorities to gain insight and feedback from the legislators. Following the discussion, the Board agreed to the following 2021 Legislative Priorities that will be submitted to the Iowa Association of School Boards prior to the August 10th deadline:

Funding priority:
The Pleasant Valley Community School District supports protecting K-12 funding from future cuts and maintaining PK-12 public school funding as a top priority with Supplemental State Aid (SSA) established within the first 30 days of the session.

Mental health priority:
The Pleasant Valley Community School District supports providing funding and incentives to maintain or increase comprehensive school based mental health programs including in-school access for all students along with comprehensive community mental health systems which offer preventative and treatment services.

Motion by Anderson, second by Brockmann that the board approve the IASB Legislative Action Priorities as presented and appoint Nikhil Wagle to act as our representative to the delegate assembly. Roll call vote. Ayes - Nels, Brockmann, Dickson, Wagle, Hoskins, Ayers, Anderson. Nays - none. Motion carried.

RETURN TO LEARN: Superintendent Strusz updated the Board and guests on the District’s Return to Learn plan. Currently under consideration is a hybrid model (combination of on-site and on-line) that would allow for greater social distancing throughout the day. Based upon the Governor’s proclamation on Friday, July 17, 2020 the hybrid model is now to include on-site learning 50% of the time over a two week period. Due to the proclamation, the fully on-line option for all students is not likely unless a waiver is granted. More information from the Department of Education will follow regarding the waiver. Regarding the fully on-site model, questions remain around safety and the ability to social distance.

On July 8, 2020, Family and Faculty Return to Learn handbooks were distributed and district parents and staff were surveyed regarding participation and preferences. Faculty survey response: 404 members responded and 96.5% stated they would return to work onsite on August 19th.
survey response: 3,730 families responded to the family survey; 86.4% stated they will send their student(s) to school on August 24. Regarding transportation and social distancing, 68.2% of families are able to take their child to school while 30.4% stated they could only transport a.m. or p.m. 22.8% of families responding stated that child care would be an issue under the hybrid model.

Following the announcement of the Return to Learn model on Friday, July 31, 2020, a follow up survey will be distributed in which respondents will be required to commit to their intentions for the start of the school year so that class lists and transportation schedules can be finalized.

The board listened and responded to public input and questions that provided additional information to take back to various members of the planning team. Dr. Brianna Barclay read a letter submitted by sixteen local Medical Doctors encouraging the wearing of facial coverings, physically distancing and frequent hand washing so that students can safely return to school. The letter also shared concerns about students eating lunch in the cafeteria and suggested alternatives.

No required motion.

**PVJH PARKING LOT PROJECT CHANGE ORDER:** Director of Operations Leland Zenk explained to the Board Change Order # 5 for the PVJH parking lot project - an add of $25,478.25 which represents the cost of removal of 8” dirt/rock and installation of Geo-Grid and gravel to stabilize the parking lot base.

Motion by Dickson, second by Ayers that Board approve Change Order # 5 for the Pleasant Valley Junior High Parking Lot Improvement project in the amount of $25,478.25. Roll call vote. Ayes - Nels, Brockmann, Dickson, Wagle, Hoskins, Ayers, Anderson. Nays - none. Motion carried.

**MOTION TO ESTABLISH SPECIAL BOARD MEETING:** Motion by Dickson, second by Ayers that the Board meet Wednesday, July 29 at 12:00 noon to approve the District’s 2020-21 beginning of the year delivery model (on-site, on-line or hybrid). Roll call vote. Ayes - Nels, Brockmann, Dickson, Wagle, Hoskins, Ayers, Anderson. Nays - none. Motion carried.

The Board took a break from 8:47 - 8:55. Mr. Strusz, Mr. Clingingsmith, Mr. Zimmer, Dr. Lewis and all remaining guests exited the meeting.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – PERSONNEL – CODE OF IOWA, SECTION 21.5(1) (I):** The Board entered executive session at 8:55 p.m. for the purpose of superintendent evaluation. No motions were made during closed session and the closed session adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** The meeting adjourned at 9:07 p.m.
FUTURE DATES:
Wednesday, July 29, 2020  SPECIAL School Board Meeting, 12:00 p.m.
Monday, August 10, 2020  Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
Monday, August 24, 2020  Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

(Meetings are conducted in adherence to all COVID-19 room capacity and social distancing requirements. Guests are welcome to participate remotely in the Belmont Administration Center's technology training room should room capacity be reached in the boardroom. Board Members and guests are required to wear masks.)

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Belmont Administration Center
PLEASANT VALLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
PLEASANT VALLEY, IOWA
UNOFFICIAL MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION, EXECUTIVE SESSION, BELMONT ADMINISTRATION CENTER
Monday, July 20, 2020 8:55 P.M. C.D.T.

Exempt session was called to order at 8:55 p.m. by President Wagle.

Also present: Board Secretary 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 Open Enrollment information and application, visit the district website at www.pleasval.org / district / new student enrollment/open enrollment info or contact Deborah Dayman daymandeborah@pleasval.org (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 Mike Zimmer, who has been designated by the district as Educational Equity Coordinator, or to the Director of the Office for Civil Rights, Department of HEW, and Washington, D.C. Mr. Zimmer’s office is at Pleasant Valley Administration Center, 525 Belmont Rd., Bettendorf, Iowa 52722; telephone (563) 332-5550.

Brian Strusz
Superintendent