MEMBERS PRESENT: Anderson, Ayers, Brockmann, Dickson, Hoskins, Kunkel, Wagle (remotely). Absent - none. Also present: Brian Strusz, Mike Zimmer, Cindy Lewis, Mike Clingingsmith, Deborah Dayman, Beth Marsoun, Kevin Pennekamp, Cassidy Peterson, Larissa Bailey and others.

Vice President Hoskins presided.

The meeting was live streamed, recorded, and may be viewed on the district YouTube page:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=46rmfunnXLI

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

COMMUNICATIONS: Mrs. Hoskins 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.

Superintendent Strusz updated the Board on a Bridgeview Elementary incident in which a student threatened to bring a weapon to school. In adherence to the District’s Threat Assessment protocol,

- Students were interviewed and their parents contacted
- School officials met with the student and family on the day of the event and upon re-entry to school
- Disciplinary consequences were assigned
- The School Resource Officer visited the home to verify the student had no access to weapons
- Support measures have been implemented to provide a safe learning environment for all students.

It was determined the threat was not credible. Questions or concerns may be directed to the Superintendent.

The board heard comments from the public. Those comments can be heard in full on the District YouTube page; link above.

Director Kunkel attended the fall band and choir concerts and commended the junior high choir directors and accompanists, band directors, and junior high musicians. She expressed gratitude that students were once again able to participate in live performances.

Jean Dickson shared the sympathies of the Board with the family of Mark Delzell, former district parent.
Dr. Wagle congratulated PVHS students and Y Quad City Rowing team members Nikhil Ramaraju, Ela Ersan, Sophia Ramaraju and Erin Morley for their outstanding showing at the Charles Regatta in Boston and for the opportunity to row out of the Harvard boathouses. Their success secured spots for their team in next year’s event.

He shared the condolences of the Board and District with the family of district parent Radhika Kasichainula upon her unexpected passing.

Mr. Zimmer congratulated successful All-State musicians: Band - 11 students and one alternate. Choir - 20 students. Orchestra - 4 students. These musicians represent the top 1.5% musicians in Iowa and will perform at the 75th Annual All-State Music Festival in the 600 member choir, 275 member band and 225 member orchestra on November 20, 2021 at Iowa State University. Iowa Public Television will broadcast the concert on Thanksgiving evening.

He also recognized the 32 students grades 5-9 selected for the OPUS Honor Choir.

Congratulations to Pleasant Valley Musicians!

CONSENT AGENDA:

The October 25, 2021 consent agenda consists of the following:

- MINUTES:  The approval of minutes of the October 11, 2021 Regular Meeting

- PERSONNEL:

CERTIFIED: Dr. Cindy Lewis, Director of Elementary Education, has submitted notice of her retirement effective June 30, 2022. Cindy Reyes, Kindergarten Teacher at Pleasant View Elementary, has submitted notice of her retirement effective the end of the 2021-22 school year after 31 years in the District.

CLASSIFIED: Jacob Brees, part time Custodian at Hopewell Elementary, is nearing the end of his probationary period and is recommended for regular employment starting November 1, 2021. Christian Erickson is recommended for regular employment as a Grounds Assistant starting November 1, 2021. Probationary period is waived as he has served for two years as an educational aid in the District. Tony Leatherman, part time Custodian at Pleasant Valley High School, is nearing the end of his probationary period and is recommended for regular employment starting November 1, 2021.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR:

- DROPS: Alexia Lara PVHS Assistant Softball Coach

- OPEN ENROLLMENT: 2021-22 - Three students IN from Bettendorf.

Motion by Ayers, second by Brockmann that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.
EXPENSES APPROVED:

Motion by Dickson, second by Ayers that General Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $176,488.11 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ayers, second by Kunkel that Nutrition Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $93,333.06 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Kunkel, second by Dickson that Elementary/Junior High Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $2,401.46 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ayers, second by Anderson that High School Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $40,357.52 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 $16,150.00 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ayers, second by Dickson that PPEL Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $26,903.19 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Kunkel that Internal Service Fund warrants 6293 through 6298 be issued in the total amount of $51,286.95 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ayers, second by Brockmann that Trust Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $14,325.08 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

LECLAIRE ROAD PROJECT: On September 27th, the Board was introduced to road construction projects planned and underway along Wisconsin Street and 35th Street in the vicinity of Pleasant Valley Junior High School. Leo Foley, Professional Engineer and Dennis Gerard, LeClaire City Council Member described those projects and timelines in more detail. Temporary and permanent easements are needed for the project including 20,566 square feet of District land required for the construction of the intersection.

Detour details will be distributed via ENews and by the City of LeClaire as the detours are put into place. The project is set to be completed before the start of school in August, 2022.

Motion by Kunkel, second by Ayers that the Board approve the Temporary Construction and Sloping Easement with the City of LeClaire, Iowa for consideration of One Dollar in order to accommodate road construction on Wisconsin Street and 35th Street as presented. Roll call vote. Ayes - Anderson, Ayers, Brockmann, Dickson, Hoskins, Kunkel, Wagle. Nays - none. Motion carried.

TECHNOLOGY UPDATE: Kevin Pennekamp, Director of Technology was accompanied by Larissa Bailey and Cassidy Peterson, Innovative Technology Coaches to update the Board about the changes and current practices in the areas of instruction and learning, software, and hardware over the last year as it relates to technology in the District. Highlights include:
Hardware:
➢ 1 to 1 chromebook for grades 5-6 on a 4-year replacement cycle
➢ Reconstruction of iPad carts for K-4 classrooms; 24 iPads per cart
➢ Began projector update rotation - all classrooms will be outfitted with wireless projectors over the next 5 years
➢ Evaluation and planning for future replacement of district phone system

Software:
➢ Transition from Revtrak to Campus Payments for online payment system (rollover date January 2022)
➢ Cyber Security Audit through ProCircular

Instruction and Learning:
➢ Pilot Learning Management System (LMS) Canvas with 15 JH/HS teachers
➢ Professional Development and support for Google Classroom, Seesaw, Canvas
➢ Support collection, organization and analysis of student assessments

Current Challenges:
➢ Telephone connectivity issues
➢ Long wait time for hardware acquisition

No required motion.

ENROLLMENT UPDATE: October 1 count day numbers have been certified with the state. The district’s certified enrollment increased from 5,244.2 (2020-21) to 5,423.6 (2021-22), an increase of 179.4 students. State funding, as well as the District’s future facilities planning, is impacted by count day information. At a future meeting, the Board will hear the District’s plan for accommodating this rate of student growth.

No required motion.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS: Mr. Clingingsmith presented the monthly financial reports for September 2021. Through September, General Fund revenue totaled $6,750,479 and expenses totaled $7,465,924. The fund balance in the General Fund at September 30, 2021 was $10,622,071. Also presented were Management, PPEL, Capital Projects, Debt Service, Nutrition, Internal Service, and Activity Funds reports. Consistent with previous months, income and expenditures in the Nutrition Fund are affected by the pandemic. Also noted was the increase in activity fund revenue since fans are once again attending events. Otherwise, no significant variances from projections were noted.

Motion by Dickson, second by Ayers that the Board approve the monthly financial reports for September, 2021 as presented. Roll call vote. Ayes - Anderson, Ayers, Brockmann, Dickson, Hoskins, Kunkel, Wagle. Nays - none. Motion carried.
MEETING ADJOURNED: The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

FUTURE DATES:
November 2, 2021          School Board Elections 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. (details follow)
November 8, 2021          Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
November 22, 2021         Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

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November 2nd Election Information:

The polling places for PV Schools in Districts 1, 2 and 7 are:
  ● B41 - Bettendorf Public Works  4403 Devils Glen Rd, Bettendorf
  ● B42 - St John Vianney Church  4097 18th St, Bettendorf
  ● B52 - Surrey Heights Fire Station  5002 Crow Creek Rd, Bettendorf
  ● LC1 - First Presbyterian Church  200 S 12th St, LeClaire IA
  ● LC2 - LeClaire Fire Station  201 N 15th St, LeClaire IA
  ● LCT - Our Lady of the River Catholic Church  28200 226th Pl, LeClaire IA
  ● PV - Trinity Lutheran Church  18137 Criswell St, Pleasant Valley IA

Polls are open 7:00 a.m - 8:00 p.m. Precinct information can be found on voter registration cards, or by consulting the Scott County Auditor website - Precinct Finder page: https://www.scottcountyiowa.gov/auditor/precinct-finder

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In compliance with the Asbestos Hazard Response Act (AHERA) of 1986 (Public Law 99-519) the School District has had each building inspected by a Certified Asbestos Inspector. In the past year, we conducted six-month periodic surveillance throughout the district.

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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.org. 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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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.

(House File 228 rescinds the 2021-22 application deadline for Davenport Community School District residents,
but the March 1st deadline will apply for the 2022-23 school year)

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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