PLEASANT VALLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Bettendorf, LeClaire, Riverdale  
UNOFFICIAL MINUTES  
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING  
BELMONT ADMINISTRATION CENTER  
Monday, November 8, 2021; 6:00 P.M. C.S.T.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ayers, Brockmann, Dickson, Hoskins, Kunkel, Wagle. Absent -Anderson. Also present: Brian Strusz, Mike Zimmer, Cindy Lewis, Mike Clingingsmith, Deborah Dayman, Kevin Pennekamp, Stephanie Seier, Darren Erickson, Sara Russell and others.

The meeting was live streamed, recorded, and may be viewed on the district YouTube page:  https://youtu.be/6FkXAzNmFrI

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

COMMUNICATIONS: Dr. 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.

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

Director Kunkel commended everyone involved with the Pleasant Valley Educational Foundation’s Friends of the Foundation event held November 3, 2021. She thanked all foundation donors for their help in getting nearer to the foundation's goal of providing a $1,000 scholarship to each graduating senior.

Director Dickson, whose term of board service is coming to a close, thanked the Board and District for the opportunity to serve students, families and the Pleasant Valley CSD community since 2013. Dr. Wagle thanked her on behalf of the Board for her time, leadership and wisdom. Mr. Strusz echoed that appreciation.

Mr. Strusz also expressed his gratitude to the most recent Pleasant Valley Education Foundation donors and reminded seniors and their parents to watch for an eNews in December alerting them to the fact that the scholarship application process is underway.

Mr. Strusz recognized the following individuals who have recently announced their retirement and thanked them for being part of the PV community and for their valuable role in serving students:

- Phil Pancrazio  24 years  Information Technology - Network Administrator
- Cindy Reyes  31 years  Elementary teacher, most recently kindergarten
- Cindy Lewis  6 years  Director of Elementary Education

Dr. Wagle congratulated Spartan Drama for their excellent production of Urinetown.
Mike Zimmer offered thanks to the District for the opportunity, along with PVHS Principal Darren Erickson and Science Teacher and Spartan Assembly Advisor Zach Miller, to travel to Washington D.C. to accept the U.S. Department of Education National Blue Ribbon Schools award.

**RECOGNITION:**

Mr. Zimmer introduced Sara Russell, the 2022 Iowa Teacher of the Year. Governor Kim Reynolds announced the honor at Pleasant Valley High School on October 15, 2021. Sara is a social studies teacher who leads student-centered, hands-on learning. The Iowa Teacher of the Year award was established in 1958. The annual program is sponsored by the Iowa Department of Education through an appropriation from the Iowa Legislature. Honorees serve as ambassadors to education and act as liaisons to schools, higher education, and organizations across the state.

PVHS Principal Darren Erickson commended fall athletes:
- Girls Swimming - the district will be represented in 11 of 12 state swim events as well as diving.
- Boys Cross Country placed 9th in state
- Girls Cross Country placed 2nd in state
- Boys Golf place 2nd in state
- Football reached the Elite Eight

Mr. Erickson also introduced the 2021 5A State Championship Pleasant Valley High School Volleyball team. Players were present to be recognized by the Board for their outstanding accomplishment. On Thursday, November 4 they became the first PVHS volleyball team in the history of the district to earn a volleyball state championship.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

The November 8, 2021 consent agenda consists of the following:

- **MINUTES:** The approval of minutes of the October 25, 2021 Regular Meeting

- **PERSONNEL:**


  The following Classified Employees have completed their probationary periods and begin regular employment November 19, 2021: Eryn Ackerman, Hopewell, Special Education Aide; Rosa Carraquillo, Cody, Special Education Aide; Elizabeth Chapman, Forest Grove, Special Education Aide; Julie Circello, Cody, Special Education Aide; Elizabeth Comp, Cody, Special Education Aide; Dana Cramblit, Hopewell, Special Education Aide; Eric Dilley, Forest Grove, Special Education Aide; Vanessa Fanella, Hopewell, Educational Aide; Jolene Fields, Riverdale Heights, Special Education Aide; Clay Gordan, PV Junior High, Special Education/Educational Aide; Deanna Grandick, Forest Grove, Special Education Aide, Mackenzie Helgerson, Pleasant View, Special Education Aide; Alysia Herrera, Hopewell, Special Education Aide, Kelsey LeCompte, Hopewell, Special Education Aide; Kimberly Lemburg, Forest Grove, Special Education Aide; Cassidy Maxwell, PV Junior High, Special Education/Educational Aide; In Nam, Forest Grove, Special Education Aide; Jessica Pessman, High School, Food Service Worker, Diane Richards, PV High School, Educational Aide-Print Shop/Bus Monitor; Karolina Rodriguez Hernandez, PV Junior High Special
Education Aide; Varsha Saroha, Hopewell, Special Education Aide; Kairee Schurke, Junior High, Food Service Worker; Veronica Sheckler, Junior High, Food Service Worker; Susan Shinn-Bussell, Hopewell, Cook's Assistant; Bernadette Stroklund, Forest Grove, Special Education Aide; Shirin Taralkar, PV High School, Special Education Aide; Kristine Trujillo, High School, Food Service Worker; Chelsea Wells, Hopewell, Special Education Aide.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR:

ADDS: Hailey Duwa PVHS Head JV Softball Coach
      Amanda Ray PVHS Assistant Varsity Softball Coach
      Travis Willers PVHS Assistant Varsity Wrestling Coach

DROPS: Amanda Adams PVHS Assistant Cheerleading Coach
       Erica Miller PVHS Head JV Softball Coach
       Amanda Ray PVHS Assistant JV Softball Coach
       Rusty VanWetzinga PVHS Assistant Varsity Wrestling Coach

- OPEN ENROLLMENT: 2021-22 - One IN from Davenport

- SIAC: 2021-22 School Improvement Advisory Council Committee members presented for approval: Joe Adam, Jake Almgren, Bailie Baker, Lane Bleeke, Caleb Brand, Seth (SJ) Brecht, Anna D'Antico, Eric Dippel, Ela Ersan, Claire Horsfield, Jason Jones, Tim Kammler, Ann Kardell, Angie Kendall, Cindy Lewis, Beth Marsoun, Mike Peakin, Karen Reed, Jennifer Richardson, Stephanie Risius, Jeff Rose, Barbara Schadt, Deb Schwake, Sara Sierk, Brian Strusz, Matt Stutenberg, Maggie Tinsman, Tina Young and Mike Zimmer.

Motion by Ayers, second by Kunkel 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 $218,679.38 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ayers, second by Hoskins that Nutrition Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $59,936.53 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 $2,319.51 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ayers, second by Brockmann that High School Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $14,570.86 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Kunkel that Management Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $4,561.39 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Brockmann, second by Dickson that Capital Projects Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $1,312.00 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ayers, second by Brockmann that PPEL Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $13,642.06 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.
Motion by Dickson, second by Ayers that Internal Service Fund warrants 6299 through 6304 be issued in the total amount of $465,909.32 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 $2,454.83 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

**ELEMENTARY MATH BEST PRACTICES INITIATIVES:** Dr. Lewis, accompanied by Stephanie Seier, Instructional Coach / TLS coordinator, introduced to the Board Elementary Math Best Practices and Habits of Mind & Habits of Interaction.

*Math Best Practices* is not a curriculum, but instead a teaching methodology taught to teacher groups during Math Studio Day and was first implemented during the 2013-14 school year.

The purpose of Math Studio Day:

- Support teachers in implementing the habits and routines
- Dig deeper into the Best Practices in teaching mathematics
- Learn from student thinking in a live lesson setting
- Receive *in the moment* coaching for modeling and new learning
- Set personal and team goals for implementation

Professional learning topics include

- Structured partner talks
- Number sense routines
- Conferring with students
- Classroom arrangement (work spaces, poster location, and access to math manipulatives)
- Intentional selection of students sharing ideas and work with the whole class (selecting & sequencing)
- Creating public class records to capture student thinking
- Iowa Core Math Standards

Students learn to interact with each other about mathematics through implementing the *Habits of Mind* and *Habits of Interaction*.

*Habits of Mind* include mathematical representation, connections, regularity/patterns/structure/, metacognition/reflection/disequilibrium, mistakes & stuck points, persevere & seek more - leading to justification (why) and generalization.

*Habits of Interaction* include purposeful private reasoning, explanation of reasoning, listening to understand, genuine questions, exploration of multiple pathways, comparison of logic & ideas, critique & debate - resulting in math reasoning as the Authority.

Board members participated in an interactive lesson which demonstrated the use of the *Habits of Mind* and *Habits of Interaction*.

No required motion.
MEETING ADJOURNED: The meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

FUTURE DATES:
November 22, 2021
Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

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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