CALL TO ORDER: President Wagle called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Anderson, Ayers, Brockmann, Hoskins, Kanwischer, Kunkel, Wagle. Absent - none. Also present: Brian Strusz, Mike Zimmer, Cindy Lewis, Mike Clingingsmith, Deborah Dayman, Deputy Jamey Fah, Jason Jones, Mary Johnson, Aimee Peters and others.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

COMMUNICATIONS:

Director Kunkel recognized 8th grade language arts students for their recently completed and displayed passion projects. Students were required to explore something with which they were not already involved. Mrs. Kunkel was fascinated by the variety and scope of projects and the new knowledge students developed.

Superintendent Strusz acknowledged the time required of administrators and faculty to hire new staff and thanked those involved for their time and effort.

He also noted that in order to improve streaming of board meetings, a new sound and camera system will be installed in the boardroom in the coming week.

RECOGNITION:

Luke Shields, 6th grader at Pleasant View, shared with the board news of a recycling project he initiated at his school during lunch time specifically for 4th, 5th and 6th grade students. For the past 2 years Luke has recruited assistance from classmates to help monitor the recycling bin and empty it as necessary. The bulk of materials collected include milk cartons and plastic containers. Luke has been pleasantly surprised with the amount of interest and help he receives from his classmates and as well as the level of participation. In the future he hopes the project will expand to other buildings and the district will obtain larger recycling bins.
In early March, students from across the district participated in the regional National History Day competition, *Debate and Diplomacy*. Students from Bridgeview, Hopewell, Riverdale Heights, PVJH and PVHS qualified for the state competition in Des Moines on April 25th. Their projects will be presented in front of judges and other state qualifiers with the hope of advancing to the national competition in Washington D.C. National History Day is a multidisciplinary competition that challenges students to create a museum-quality product related to the yearly theme.

Each spring, *Quad City Arts* displays artwork from top high school artists and their art teachers. High school art instructors in the greater Quad City region are invited to choose works by their top five students in any category, plus additional works in the categories of film, wood sculpture, paper sculpture and recycled materials. The exhibit fills the walls of Quad City Arts’ downtown Rock Island gallery, the opening ceremony is attended by hundreds of Quad Citizens supporting young artistic talent, and students receive thousands of dollars in awards from exhibition sponsors. *(from the Quad City Arts website)* Nine PVHS students’ work was included in the competition and slides of their entries were shared with the board. Arissa Khan received The Natural Word Award, Katie Lee received the Juror’s Choice Award for Artistic Excellence, Lizzie McVey received the Carlos Centore Award for Excellence, and Lauren McGovern was the Senior Scholarship Winner and received the Best of Show Award. The exhibition is on display at the Quad City Arts Gallery in Rock Island until April 28 or can be viewed on the gallery website. Congratulations to Pleasant Valley artists!

Director of Secondary Education Mike Zimmer reminded the board of the history of the Student Resource Officer role in the district. 23 years ago the district, in partnership with the Scott County Sheriff’s Department, hired a Student Resource Officer to be stationed at the high school. Since then a second SRO has been added at Pleasant Valley Junior High. The SROs serve all district buildings and the services provided to district students and families have been invaluable.

PVHS Assistant Principal Jason Jones was present to introduce SRO Deputy Jamey Fah. Deputy Fah introduced Scott County Sheriff Tim Lane, Major Bryce Schmidt (former PV SRO), Sergeant Ryan Lage and Lieutenant Thomas Gibbs.

Sheriff Lane presented to Deputy Fah an award for his emergency response to two recent incidents involving PVHS students. His rapid and effectual response likely saved lives.

The board shared their deepest gratitude with Deputy Fah.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

The April 11, 2022 consent agenda consists of the following:

- **MINUTES:** The approval of minutes of the March 21, 2022 Regular Meeting and Executive Sessions
- **PERSONNEL:**

**CERTIFIED:** Elizabeth Connolly is recommended for employment as a 1st grade teacher at Riverdale Heights Elementary effective the 2022-23 school year. Tess Dwyer, 1st grade teacher at Hopewell Elementary, has submitted notice of her resignation effective the end of the 2021-22 school year. Emma Folland is recommended for employment as a Teacher Librarian at Forest Grove Elementary effective the 2022-23 school year. Anthony Frakes is recommended for employment as a Social Studies Teacher at Pleasant Valley High School effective the 2022-23 school year. Jessica Freeman is recommended for employment as a 1st grade teacher at Pleasant View Elementary effective the 2022-23 school year. Abigail Hudson is recommended for employment as a 1st grade teacher at Hopewell Elementary effective the 2022-23 school year. Tobias Jessen is recommended for
employment as a Special Education teacher at Pleasant Valley Junior High effective the 2022-23 school year. Emily Latham is recommended for employment as an Early Childhood and Special Education teacher effective the 2022-23 school year. Kendall Lee is recommended for employment as a 2nd grade teacher at Riverdale Heights Elementary effective the 2022-23 school year. Kelzi Mather is recommended for employment as a 4th grade teacher at Pleasant View Elementary effective the 2022-23 school year. Zachary Paustian is recommended for employment as a Special Education teacher at Pleasant Valley High School effective the 2022-23 school year. Kellie Schultz is recommended for employment as a 2nd grade teacher at Cody Elementary effective the 2022-23 school year. Alyssa Simon is recommended for employment as a 3rd grade teacher at Bridgeview Elementary effective the 2022-23 school year. Hannah Tesar, Pleasant Valley High School Social Studies Teacher, has submitted notice of her resignation effective the end of the 2021-22 school year. Joshua Thiessen is recommended for employment as a 4th grade classroom teacher at Bridgeview Elementary effective the 2022-23 school year.

CERTIFIED (information only): Stacie Giesecke, Instructional Coach at Pleasant Valley High School, will serve as Dean of Students at Pleasant View Elementary starting the 2022-23 school year. Wendy Reyes, 6th grade teacher at Pleasant View Elementary, will teach 6th grade at Forest Grove Elementary effective the 2022-23 school year. Nicky Stevenson, 6th grade teacher at Cody Elementary, will serve as Teacher Librarian at Pleasant View effective the 2022-23 school year.

CLASSIFIED: Clay Gordon, Pleasant Valley Junior High special education aide, has submitted notice of his resignation effective April 8, 2022. Meghan Kohn, currently an educational/special education aide at Riverdale Heights Elementary, is recommended for employment as Head Building Administrative Assistant at Riverdale Heights effective the 2022-23 school year. Brenda Madsen, Pleasant View food service worker, has been reassigned to Hopewell Elementary kitchen and her contract has increased from three to five hours per day. Kandy Pogue, Bridgeview Elementary PreK aide, has submitted notice of her resignation at the end of the 2022-23 school year. Dana Steinhart, Forest Grove kitchen supervisor, has submitted notice of resignation effective April 8, 2022. Allison Willett, Kitchen Supervisor at Hopewell Elementary, is nearing the end of her probationary period and is recommended for regular employment starting April 16, 2022.

CLASSIFIED (information only): Linda Fullmer, Pleasant View food service worker, will transfer to Cody Elementary School kitchen effective the 2022-23 school year. Courtney Kaffenberger is recommended for probationary employment as a food service worker at Pleasant View Elementary starting April 11, 2022. Alexis Misfeldt, Educational Aide at Bridgeview Elementary, will transfer to the position of Preschool Aide at Bridgeview for the 2022-23 school year. Sue Nass, food service worker at Pleasant Valley High School, will transfer to food service at Pleasant View Elementary effective the 2022-23 school year. Stephanie O'Donnell is recommended for probationary employment as a food service worker at Pleasant Valley High School starting April 4, 2022. Jennifer Zapf is recommended for probationary employment as a part time Special Education Level 4 Aide at Pleasant Valley Junior High starting April 11, 2022.

TEACHER LEADERSHIP:

ADDS: Brian Gartner PVHS Instructional Coach
Jessica Mente PVHS Instructional Coach

DROPS: Audrey Holland PVHS Building Lead
Carissa McDonald PVHS Building Lead
INFO ONLY:  Stephanie Seier  continue as TLS coordinator for 2022-23

EXTRA-CURRICULAR:

ADDS:  Rachel Meyer  PVHS Ceramics Club Sponsor
       Alyssa Simon  PVHS Assistant JV Softball Coach
       Trever Zahn  PVJH Head 8th grade Football Coach

DROPS:  Keaton Connell  PVHS Assistant Freshman Football Coach
        Mike Duncan  PVHS Head Football Coach/Activities Coordinator
        Clay Gordon  PVJH Boys Basketball
        Hannah Tesar  PVHS Theater Costume Coordinator
        Trever Zahn  PVJH Assistant 8th grade Football Coach

- OPEN ENROLLMENT:  2 IN from Bettendorf, 3 IN from Davenport.
- IGHSAU and IHSAA Cooperative Swim Agreement with North Scott Community School District
- Cooperative Teaching Agreement with Buena Vista University

Motion by Ayers, second by Kanwischer that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

EXPENSES APPROVED:

Motion by Anderson, second by Kunkel that General Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $684,571.01 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Kunkel, second by Brockmann that Nutrition Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $115,059.41 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Brockmann that Elementary/Junior High Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $11,838.49 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Kunkel, second by Kanwischer that High School Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $122,839.05 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ayers, second by Anderson that PPEL Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $44,897.03 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Kanwischer, second by Ayers that Internal Service Fund warrants 6352 through 6361 be issued in the total amount of $522,185.51 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ayers, second by Anderson that Trust Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $3,307.87 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.
CNC MACHINIST REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP UPDATE: Jeff Rose, Assistant Project Director for Advanced Manufacturing from the Blong Technology Center (SCC) was present to provide an update on the progress of the CNC Machinist Registered Apprenticeship. PVHS seniors Conner Wipperfurth, Aidan Thoene and Clayton Shelton currently in the apprenticeship program and shared their experiences with the board. Each of the students works at a local employer in the morning, attends classes at PVHS in the afternoon and at the Blong Technology Center in the evening. While they learn the machinist trade, they are making great progress in their careers before they graduate from high school in May. Local employers participating in the program have requested more student apprentices, as have other local employers, large and small.

The board recognized the years of effort put forth by Mike Zimmer and Career Coordinator Mary Johnson in developing the opportunity and planning for the future so the program is sustainable and opportunities continue to be available to future students. Gratitude also to the Industrial Technology Department at Pleasant Valley High School for teaching valuable skills along with recognizing and encouraging student talent and interest.

No required motion.

2022-23 ADOPTION OF BUDGET AND TAXES: Chief Financial Officer Mike Clingingsmith presented the “Adoption of Budget and Taxes” worksheets for the fiscal year July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023 and responded to questions from the Board. The proposed property tax rate information was first presented to the Board February 14 and then again on February 28 and March 21. The budget reflects a $0.30 decrease in the district’s levy rate (rounded to the nearest penny) for the 2022-23 fiscal year.

President Wagle opened the required public hearing at 7:03 p.m. Mr. Clingingsmith And Mr. Strusz responded to one question from the public, and the public hearing was closed at 7:05 p.m.

Motion by Kunkel, second by Brockmann that at this meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pleasant Valley Community School District, held as provided by law;

And finding that the notice of the time and place of hearing has, according to law and as directed by the Board, been published on the 31st day of March, 2022 in the Bettendorf News, and that the affidavit of publication thereof was on file;

And after hearing any resident or taxpayer presenting objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget;

I move that the Board adopt the attached Budget Summary, together with the property tax levies totaling $13.46024 per $1,000 of taxable valuation for 2022-23. Roll call vote. Ayes - Anderson, Ayers, Brockmann, Hoskins, Kanwischer, Kunkel, Wagle. Nays - none. Motion carried.

2022-23 CERTIFIED PERSONNEL (PVEA) CONTRACT APPROVAL: On March 23, the District and the Pleasant Valley Education Association (PVEA) reached agreement upon a 3.22% total package increase. ($875 increase on the salary index base). Mr. Strusz and Mr. Clingingsmith discussed settlement details including a $1,000 prorated retention payment for certified staff not covered under Governor Reynolds certified staff retention payment.

Motion by Kanwischer, second by Brockmann that the board approve the use of ESSER III funds for a $1,000 retention payment (prorated based on FTE) for the certified staff not covered by Governor Reynolds retention payment plan. Roll call vote. Ayes - Anderson, Ayers, Brockmann, Hoskins, Kanwischer, Kunkel, Wagle. Nays - none. Motion carried.

2022-23 CLASSIFIED AND ADMINISTRATIVE WAGE AND BENEFIT PACKAGES APPROVAL: Meet and Confer sessions for Classified employees were held live and via Google Meet April 5th and 6th. Four sessions were offered. Also presented during the Meet & Confer sessions was a $1.25 per hour increase to the wage rate for paraeducators who work directly with regular ed/special ed students. All other classified employee groups and the administrative employee group (including the Superintendent) will see raises based on a 3.22% total package increase.

Motion by Kunkel, second by Hoskins that the Board approve the 2022-23 Classified Employees and Administrative Employees wage and benefits packages as presented. Roll Call Vote. Ayes - Anderson, Ayers, Brockmann, Hoskins, Kanwischer, Kunkel, Wagle. Nays - none. Motion carried.

2022-23 CUSTODIAL (PVCA) CONTRACT APPROVAL: Recall that last year our custodians, previously members of the Service Employees International Union, Local 199 unanimously made the decision to be known as the Pleasant Valley Custodial Association and to be affiliated with the Iowa State Education Association. The district reached a 3.23% total package increase agreement with our custodial union which equates to a $0.65 per hour across the board wage increase for all custodial positions for 2022-23.


FIRST READING OF BOARD POLICY SERIES 300: The board held the first reading of the updated and revised Board Policy Series 300. The changes will be discussed at the April 25th meeting, and presented for board approval at the May 9th meeting.

As shared previously, the district engaged the IASB (Iowa Association of School Boards) to review the PVCSD Board Policy in its entirety. Siobhan Schneider, Policy/Legal Services Director, administered the review. The review addresses general comments which impact all policies as well as specific comments which address individual policies. The IASB Policy Reference Manual will serve as the primary reference tool for verbiage and legal reference. The recommended policy will be presented at one meeting, discussed as necessary at the following meeting, and approved at the second meeting following the initial presentation.

No required motion.

MEETING ADJOUNDED: The meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

FUTURE DATES:
April 25, 2022       Regular School Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m. (District band night)
May 9, 2022          Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
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 does 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