Pleasant Valley Community School District
Bettendorf, LeClaire, Riverdale
UNOFFICIAL MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
BELMONT ADMINISTRATION CENTER
Monday, November 7, 2022; 6:00 P.M. C.S.T.

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

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ayers, Brockmann, Hoskins, Kanwischer, Kunkel, Wagle. Absent - none. (one seat vacant due to resignation of Director Anderson). Also present: Brian Strusz, Mike Clingingsmith, Tony Hiatt, Jill Kenyon, Mike Zimmer, Deborah Dayman, Lelend Zenk and others.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Hoskins, second by Brockmann that the 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 hiring 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 - Ayers, Brockmann, Hoskins, Kanwischer, Kunkel, 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.

Director Kunkel thanked principals, teachers, coaches and staff for the great start to the school year. She commented on the value and effectiveness of parent teacher conferences and thanked elementary building principals for setting up child care in the buildings for the convenience of parents attending parent teacher conferences.

Dr. Wagle congratulated the PVHS drama department on the fall musical production Big Fish. The cast, crew and pit orchestra were outstanding and have been invited to present the show at this week's state Thespian Festival. He also recognized director Mrs. Myatt and the many individuals who help teach and guide the students.
He also read the American Education Week (November 14 - 18) proclamation:

WHEREAS, public schools are the backbone of our democracy, providing young people with the tools they need to maintain our nation’s precious values of freedom, civility and equality; and

WHEREAS, by equipping young Americans with both practical skills and broader intellectual abilities, schools give them hope for, and access to, a productive future; and

WHEREAS, education employees—be they custodians or teachers, bus drivers or librarians—work diligently to serve our children and communities with care and professionalism; and

WHEREAS, schools are community linchpins, bringing together adults and children, educators and volunteers, business leaders, and elected officials in a common enterprise;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikhil Wagle, serving as President of the Pleasant Valley Board of Education do hereby proclaim the observance of American Education Week.

Board Secretary Deborah Dayman shared the condolences of the board and district with the family of Jim Doerzman who passed away October 29. Mr. Doerzman was a teacher, coach, then athletic director at Pleasant Valley High School for 17 years, starting in 1961.

Superintendent Strusz recognized the retirements of two long time district employees:
- Lisa Paper, District Bookkeeper, is retiring in April after 15 years’ service to the district.
- Mike Zimmer is retiring at the end of the 2022-23 school year after 19 years’ service to the district; 40 years in education. He joined the district as an assistant principal at the high school, was appointed building principal in 2009 and Director of Secondary Education in 2019.

The district is grateful to both these individuals for their dedication and outstanding work.

As an introduction to the special recognition of National Apprenticeship Week, Dr. Wagle read the following proclamation:

WHEREAS, 2022 marks the 85th Anniversary of the National Apprenticeship Act; and

WHEREAS, National Apprenticeship Week is celebrating its 8th anniversary of raising awareness of the vital role Registered Apprenticeships provide in creating opportunities by allowing apprentices to earn while they learn and preparing a pathway to good, quality jobs and well-paying careers in the Quad Cities, surrounding area and across the nation; and

WHEREAS, Registered Apprenticeship programs enable employers to develop and train their future workforce while offering career seekers affordable paths to secure high-paying jobs, and

WHEREAS, Pleasant Valley Community School District recognizes the role of Registered Apprenticeship in expanding opportunities in our workforce that are inclusive of individuals who have been historically underserved, marginalized, and adversely affected by persistent poverty and inequality, thus providing a path for all qualified individuals, including women, youth, people of color, rural communities, justice-involved individuals and individuals with disabilities, to become apprentices and contribute to America’s industries; and

WHEREAS, Pleasant Valley Community School District recognizes that Registered Apprenticeship, a proven and industry-driven training model, can train our workforce and build a pipeline into good, quality jobs in order to address our nation’s pressing workforce challenges such as rebuilding our country’s infrastructure, addressing critical supply chain demands, supporting a clean energy workforce, modernizing our cybersecurity response, and responding to care economy issues.
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dr. Nikhil Wagle, President of the Pleasant Valley Community School District, do hereby declare November 14, 2022, through November 20, 2022, as National Apprenticeship Week.

Mr. Zimmer introduced PVHS students / apprentices Jacob Staszewski, Trystan Ritchie and James Morley, as well as PVHS Career Coordinator Mary Johnson and Arconic representative Eric Ruiz. The students are machinist or welding apprentices at Arconic, Boyler Ornamental Iron and Bowe Machine. They work each morning, attend class at PVHS in the afternoon and participate in Blong Technology Center (EICC) classes in the evenings. Each student shared their experiences and their gratitude for the opportunity to learn, gain experience and be challenged. Mr. Ruiz noted that Arconic is pleased with the student apprentice program and hopes more apprentices will be available in the future.

The board congratulated the apprentices on their success and progress and thanked them for helping make the program a success for themselves and for future students.

APPOINTMENT OF TRACEY RIVERA, DIRECTOR DISTRICT #6: Due to the resignation of former District #6 director Christina Anderson, the board has appointed Tracey Rivera to that board position.

Motion by Kanwischer, second by Ayers the Board appoint Tracey Rivera to serve as Board Director, Director District #6 until the regularly scheduled school board election in November, 2023. Roll call vote. Ayes - Ayers, Brockmann, Hoskins, Kanwischer, Kunkel, Wagle. Nays - none. Motion carried.

Dr. Wagle administered the oath of office.

CONSENT AGENDA:

The November 7, 2022 consent agenda consists of the following:

● MINUTES: The approval of minutes of the October 24, 2022 Regular Meeting

● PERSONNEL:

CERTIFIED:

Mike Zimmer, Director of Secondary Education, has submitted notice of his retirement at the end of the 2022-23 school years after 19 years’ service to the district.

CLASSIFIED:

Denise Aden, Special Education Paraprofessional at Pleasant View Elementary, has submitted notice of her resignation effective November 5, 2022. Wendy Bratcher, Food Service Worker at Pleasant Valley High School, has submitted notice of her resignation effective October 25, 2022. Taryn Cleaves, Special Education Paraeducator at Pleasant View Elementary, has submitted notice of her resignation effective November 4, 2022. Chris Kruse, Part Time Custodian at Bridgeview Elementary, has submitted notice of his resignation effective October 31, 2022. Tim McDonough, Head Custodian at Forest Grove Elementary, has submitted notice of his resignation effective December 31, 2022. Lisa Paper, District Bookkeeper, has submitted notice of her retirement effective April 14, 2023 after 15 years of service to the district.
The following classified employees are nearing the end of their probationary period and are recommended for regular employment starting November 16, 2022.

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**CLASSIFIED: (information only)**

Tracy Hancock is recommended for probationary employment as a Food Service Worker at Pleasant View Elementary starting November 14, 2022. Darren Kenyon is recommended for probationary employment as a Paraeducator at Pleasant Valley Junior High starting November 14, 2022. Brandy Smith is recommended for probationary employment as a Special Education Paraeducator at Pleasant View Elementary starting November 7, 2022. Farwa Tahir is recommended for probationary employment as a Special Education Paraeducator at Pleasant View Elementary starting November 7, 2022. Farwa is transferring from a Food Service Worker position at Pleasant View.
EXTRA-CURRICULAR:

Add:
Kateeya Brown  PVHS Assistant Cheerleading Coach
Alyssa LeMay  PVHS Assistant Cheerleading Coach
Paul Meyers  PVJH Assistant Basketball Coach

Drop:
Caitlin Schoville  .5 PVHS Boys Assistant Swimming Coach
Paul Meyers  PVJH Assistant Football Coach

OPEN ENROLLMENT:  One grade 7 IN from Davenport (continuation), one grade 6 IN from North Scott, one grade 10 IN from Davenport.

Motion by Ayers, second by Brockmann that the consent agenda be approved as presented. Roll call vote. Ayes - Ayers, Brockmann, Hoskins, Kanwischer, Kunkel, Rivera, Wagle. Nays - none. Motion carried.

EXPENSES APPROVED:

Motion by Kunkel, second by Hoskins that General Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $307,568.05 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ayers, second by Kanwischer that Nutrition Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $87,348.21 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Brockmann, second by Hoskins that Elementary/Junior High Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $17,259.54 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 $19,525.86 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ayers, second by Kunkel that PPEL Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $51,309.04 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Brockmann, second by Kunkel that Student Construction Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $88,45 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Ayers that Internal Service Fund warrants 6437 through 6441 be issued in the total amount of $35,280.76 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Kanwischer, second by Ayers that Trust Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of $10.00 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.
2022-2023 ENROLLMENT UPDATE AND ENROLLMENT FORECAST: October 1 is the state of Iowa’s count day (it was Monday, October 3, 2022 this year since October 1st was a Saturday) - the process by which certified enrollment is determined. Certified enrollment is an annual reporting to the state of enrolled resident students and that data is used for the Iowa School Finance Formula calculation. Mr. Strusz and Mr. Clingingsmith went over our 2022-2023 enrollment numbers.

The number of students in seats (PK - 12 and including statewide voluntary preschool students) increased by 261 students between 2021-22 and 2022-23.

The district engaged Iowa School Finance Information Services (ISFIS) to provide an enrollment forecast for the Pleasant Valley Community School District. Mr. Jon Muller from ISFIS went through the report with the board. The ISFIS study shows linear and steady upward growth during the coming twenty years. It was determined based upon recent census information that there are .79 students per housing unit in the district, as compared to .35 in Iowa and .41 nationwide. The report can be viewed in its entirety on the school board website in the 2022 11 07 supporting documents. This forecast will help the district plan future expansion.

No required motion.

2023 DIRECTOR DISTRICT MAP UPDATE: At our last board meeting, it was shared that Pleasant Valley will begin a redistricting review process that must be completed by May 15, 2023. Following a federal decennial census (April 1, 2020), school districts represented by director districts instead of board members elected “at large” must complete a redistricting review process to ensure each of the seven director districts have nearly equal population representation. Director district boundaries were adjusted in 2012 after the 2010 census and current director district populations ranged from 2,860 to 3,094. Pleasant Valley has been in contact with Mapping Strategies LLC to conduct this process. Mapping Strategies has assisted school districts of various sizes ranging from Cedar Rapids (14,600 students) to North Tama (420 students). Mapping Strategies has obtained census data from the census bureau and determined that some adjustment of director district boundaries is necessary. Their proposal will be brought to the school board for a public hearing and approval upon completion of their work.

No required motion.

REGIONAL INNOVATION CENTER 28E AGREEMENT: The North Scott School District in collaboration with Eastern Iowa Community College is building a Regional Innovation Center that will offer career pathways in four areas: Human Services, Business, Applied Sciences and Agriculture. This agreement will include Bettendorf, Davenport, DeWitt and Pleasant Valley Community School Districts. As we have shared in previous meetings, we currently partner with North Scott in the area of agriculture. With the development of this new regional center, additional course opportunities for Pleasant Valley students that are not offered on our campus, the Scott Community College or at the Blong Center will be available.

Motion by Kunkel, second by Ayers that the board approve the Regional Innovation Center 28E Agreement as presented. Roll call vote. Ayes - Ayers, Brockmann, Hoskins, Kanwischer, Kunkel, Rivera, Wagle. Nays - none. Motion carried.

PVHS CHILLER REPLACEMENT: Bids were received for the PVHS chiller replacement on Thursday, November 3 at the Belmont Administration Center. It is recommended that the district accept the proposal from the Habegger Corporation (Carrier) and award the contract on the basis of their low base
The bid of $157,881.00 and add the alternate Bid #1 for a 5 year parts and labor warranty for $10,400.00. The district’s Alternate Bid #2 – adding low noise condenser fan blades, was included in the base bid amount.

The total bid amount is $168,281.00, including all requested alternates.

Upon conclusion of the presentation, President Wagle opened the required Public Hearing at 7:37 p.m. Hearing no comments from the public, the Public Hearing was closed at 7:38 p.m. and motion for approval was made.

Motion by Kanwischer, second by Hoskins that the board accept the proposal from The Habegger Corporation for the Pleasant Valley High School west end chiller replacement project. The total bid amount, $168,281.00 includes a 5 year parts and labor warranty and low noise condenser fan blades. Roll call vote. Ayes - Ayers, Brockmann, Hoskins, Kanwischer, Kunkel, Rivera, Wagle. Nays - none. Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – PERSONNEL:** The board entered Executive Session at 7:39 p.m. to continue the process of conducting the 2022-23 superintendent evaluation. No motions were made during the Executive Session, which concluded at 8:19 p.m.

The board returned to open session at 8:19 p.m. Future dates were discussed.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

**FUTURE DATES:**

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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.
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