

PLEASANT VALLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Bettendorf, LeClaire, Riverdale

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES

BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

BELMONT ADMINISTRATION CENTER

Monday, October 24, 2016 6:00 P.M. C.D.S.T.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Anderson, Cournoyer, Dickson, Hoskins, Isbell, Wagle, Witters. Absent – none.

Also present: Jim Spelhaug, Brian Strusz, Cindy Lewis, Mike Clingingsmith, Deborah Dayman, Melissa Lechtenberg, Carly Jewell, Laura Butler, Mike Zimmer, Eric Larew, and Laura O'Brien.

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

COMMUNICATIONS: President Witters welcomed everyone, 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 Wagle congratulated the band, choir, and orchestra students who auditioned Saturday in the IHSMA All-State Auditions. Selected musicians represent the top 1.5% of all Iowa musicians and will perform in the 600 member choir, 280 member band, and 200 member orchestra November 19 at Iowa State University.

Orchestra:

Annie Warner, Sophia Xiao, Ruth Davidson, Daniela Rybarczyk, Veronica Henderson.

Band:

Ian Aplington, Ethan Good, Jonathan Hahm, Olivia Heckel, Carrie Peterson, Millenama Prasai, Claire Thomsen, Maureen Thomsen and Ellie Zupancic. Ian and Maureen are only the 2nd and 3rd four-year All-State Band musicians in school history. Selected as alternates were Ben Fuller, Shreya Khurjekar, Matthew Nelson, and Keshav Wagle.

Choir:

Samina Abdullah, Lauren Carroll, Bailey Connors, Vincent Gnad, Ellie Kurth, Andrew Sandry, Cate Byrne, Joe Clifton, Halle Fish, Ellie Lindmark, Megan Maloney, Zack Myatt, Brendan Wheeler, Lauren Brewer, Michael Guhin, Alex Jungers, Nathan Lyon, Roshni Nair, Sean Wallace, and Madison Wells.

Director Wagle reminded the board of the upcoming Spartan production, "Sweeny Todd" November 3rd, 5th, and 6th.

He thanked the Academic Booster Club for being available at High School and Junior High conferences, and reported that the Academic Booster Club is supporting a student trip to Princeton, New Jersey for a math team competition.

He also pointed out that Pleasant Valley Community High School was ranked #10 in the state by US News and World Report.

Brian Strusz congratulated the boys cross country team on another district title and qualifying for their 14th consecutive state meet. Nicholas Yanek led the way with his first place finish. He will be joined by Konnor Sommer, Anthony Peña, Ben Gorman, Mark Conway, Gavin Smith, and Parker Huhn on Saturday in the state championships.

Girls cross country placed 2nd at districts and qualified for the state meet this Saturday in Fort Dodge. Girls placed 4 runners in the top 15 including Addie Swanson, Maddy Minard, Abby Riley and Mallory Lafever. Rounding out the team with solid performances were Laura Brown, Chloe Greig, and Caroline Christophersen.

Dr. Spelhaug expressed the sympathies of the board and the district to Ron Phillips, long time PVHS teacher, upon the passing of his wife, Kay.

RECOGNITION: Mr. Zimmer introduced Pleasant Valley High School world language teacher Melissa Lechtenberg, faculty advisor for PVHS UNITE Club (Understanding Negative Impacts Toward Everyone). Joining Ms. Lechtenberg were UNITE co-leaders Laura Butler and Carly Jewell. UNITE brings together students who believe in and work toward universal respect for all, and takes a firm stand against bullying of any kind. UNITE focuses on a different area monthly (for example, race, sexuality, disability, religion, emotional well-being.) A poster campaign, a ribbon, and a relevant video are presented each month. The board viewed the video produced by Beth Marsoun in association with UNITE club members and faculty which focused on teen suicide. Mr. Zimmer noted that UNITE club has had a profound and positive impact upon the climate and culture of Pleasant Valley High School. The board thanked Ms. Lechtenberg and the students for their efforts on behalf of, and in service to all PVHS students.

CONSENT AGENDA, October 24, 2016: Motion by Cournoyer, second by Hoskins that the consent agenda be approved as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

The October 24, 2016 consent agenda consists of the following:

- MINUTES: The approval of minutes of the October 10, 2016 regular meeting.
- PERSONNEL:
Rhonda Brockhouse, Educational Aide at Bridgeview Elementary, has submitted her resignation effective October 18, 2016; Caryn Dahm, Educational Aide at Pleasant Valley High School, has received an increase of 75 minutes per week on her letter of assignment, effective October 26, 2016.

TEACHER LEADERSHIP:

ADDS: Carrie Kuessel Mentor Experienced Teacher – 1st grade

EXTRA-CURRICULAR:

ADDS:	Wayne Ward Bill Myatt Francis Dunbar	HS Head Girls Soccer Coach co-HS Theatre Tech Advisor co-HS Theatre Tech Advisor
DROPS:	Jason Bowling Mari Noga	HS Assistant Wrestling Coach HS Theatre Tech Advisor

- OPEN ENROLLMENT: none this evening

EXPENSES APPROVED:

Motion by Hoskins, second by Anderson that General Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$299,761.37 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Isbell that Nutrition Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$56,788.91 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Cournoyer, second by Hoskins that Elementary/Junior High Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$2,136.79 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Cournoyer that High School Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$42,114.58 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Wagle, second by Anderson that Management Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$21,499.00 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Isbell, second by Cournoyer that PPEL Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$76,506.41 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Dickson that Capital Projects Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$153,423.68 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Hoskins that Internal Service Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$6,702.82 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Cournoyer, second by Isbell that Trust Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$6,679.92 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

ENROLLMENT UPDATE: Mike Clingingsmith began the discussion with a summary of certified enrollment as of Count Day, October 1. Certified enrollment is up 217.78 students from a year ago and reflects the increase in resident students (total 4749.54). After adjusting for open enrolled in/out and tuition in/out students, actual students served has increased 192.48 from a year ago. (total 4668.94) (Fractional amounts are the result of dual-enrolled weighting and Home School Assistance Plan weighting.)

Dr. Spelhaug discussed the continued increase of open enrolled out as compared to open enrolled in students. Of the 344 students open enrolled out to Bettendorf, 103 (31%) are K-6 students, and nearly 70% are 7-12 students. The number of open enrolled out students increases by grade level (23 in 7th grade; 43 in 12th grade). *Continuation* accounts for the majority of open enrolled out requests, characterized as a family who previously resided in the Bettendorf Community School District, moved to a home within the Pleasant Valley School District, but made the decision to keep their children in Bettendorf schools.

270 students open enroll into the Pleasant Valley Community School District. Space constraints and other challenges presented by district growth forces the district to occasionally turn away an open enrollment request, most frequently an elementary child whose family prefers placement in a particular building where space is unavailable.

Dr. Spelhaug also discussed available seats at the elementary level.
Currently:

	current enrollment	district capacity
K	358	374
1	342	384
2	350	384
3	346	384
4	386	400
5	387	400
6	365	400
	<u>2534</u>	<u>2726</u>

As expansion/renovation projects are completed at Bridgeview and Cody, two vacant classrooms will be available at Bridgeview, and four at Cody. A third section of kindergarten was created for the current year at Bridgeview; next year that will transition to a third section of 1st grade at Cody to accommodate those children, many of whom live within the Cody attendance area. This section will occupy one of the four vacant Cody classrooms. In the coming years, both Bridgeview and Cody will be expanded from two sections per grade level to three sections per grade level. A timeline for construction of Forest Grove Elementary has not been established.

Dr. Spelhaug also updated the board on the following:

- Forest Grove Road – A traffic signal will be installed at Middle Road and Forest Grove yet this year. The City of Bettendorf does not anticipate the rebuilding of Forest Grove Road between Middle Road and Criswell Street in the near future. Federal highway dollars must be secured before those improvements can be made.
- Hopewell Road – The extension of Hopewell Road to Criswell Street will begin next summer.
- The district is working with Scott Community College to secure a small parcel (.4 acres) of additional land to facilitate the most effective and efficient expansion of the east lot. The high school construction project scheduled to begin in the spring will completely eliminate parking in the original east lot during the construction period.

No required motion.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS: Mr. Clingensmith presented the monthly financial reports for September 2016. Through September, General Fund revenue totaled \$3,601,162 and expenses totaled \$5,550,387. The fund balance in the General Fund at September 30, 2016 was \$3,779,305. Also presented were Management, PPEL, Capital Projects, Debt Service, Nutrition, Internal Service, and Activity Funds reports. There were no significant variances from projections in the financial reports.

Motion by Wagle, second by Anderson that the board accept the monthly financial reports for September as presented. Roll call vote. Ayes – Cournoyer, Dickson, Hoskins, Isbell, Wagle, Witters, Anderson. Nays – none. Motion carried.

PLEASANT VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL CHANGE ORDER #2: Change order #2 for the Restroom Remodel project includes the following changes:

Add \$1,496.96. Lighting for the mirror was omitted in error.

Add \$181.50. Additional charge for a properly sized mirror.

Add \$529.94. Existing damage to feed under slab required replacement.

This leaves this project over base bid by \$7,588.41.

Motion by Dickson, second by Isbell that the board approve change order #2 for the high school restroom remodel in the amount of an add of \$2,208.40. Roll call vote. Ayes – Wagle, Witters, Anderson, Cournoyer, Dickson, Hoskins, Isbell. Nays – none. Motion carried.

MAINTENANCE CENTER CHANGE ORDER #1: Change order #1 is an add of \$10,563.00 and consists of the following:

Add \$5,900.00. The architect did not specify electronic door hardware; this is the additional cost to get electronics installed.

Deduct \$152.00. Change from birch to oak doors.

Deduct \$1,640.00. It was expected that a four hour separation wall was required by fire code. It is not and this reflects the reduced price.

Add \$6,490.00. The decision was made to extend the front brick façade to the full height of the building where the new addition meets the existing metal building.

Deduct \$35.00. Eliminate glass from one door.

Motion by Cournoyer, second by Anderson the board approve change order #1 for the maintenance center addition project in the amount of an add of \$10,563.00. Roll call vote. Ayes – Dickson, Hoskins, Isbell, Wagle, Witters, Anderson, Cournoyer. Nays – none. Motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED: The meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

FUTURE DATES:

Monday, November 14, 2016	Regular School Board Meeting, <u>6:00</u> p.m. Belmont Administration Center
Monday, November 28, 2016	Regular School Board Meeting, <u>6:00</u> p.m. Belmont Administration Center

RIVERDALE DEER HUNT

Once again this fall/winter, the City of Riverdale has authorized a controlled bow hunt September 17 – January 10 in the wooded areas surrounding Scott Community College. Hunting will generally take place at dawn and at dusk. E-News and all-district email notifications will be sent.

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 more information on Open Enrollment, please visit the district website at www.pleasval.k12.ia.us, email or call Kelly Hatler, hatlerk@pleasval.k12.ia.us at the Administration Center at (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 Brian Strusz, who has been designated by the district as Educational Equity Coordinator, or to the Director of the Office for Civil Rights, Department of HEW, Washington, D.C. Mr. Strusz' office is at Pleasant Valley Administration Center, 525 Belmont Rd., Bettendorf, Iowa 52722; telephone (563) 332-5550.



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