

PLEASANT VALLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Bettendorf, LeClaire, Riverdale

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES

BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

BELMONT ADMINISTRATION CENTER

Monday, December 17, 2018; 6:00 P.M. C.S.T.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ayers, Anderson, Dickson, Hoskins, Cournoyer, Brockmann, Wagle. Absent – none.

Also present: Jim Spelhaug, Brian Strusz, Cindy Lewis, Mike Clingingsmith, Deborah Dayman, Mike Zimmer, Ian Spangenberg, Lynne Lundberg, Steph Risius, Sara Russell, Bart Meinke, Aimee Peters, Alexandria Medenci, and Laura O'Brien.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

COMMUNICATIONS: President Cournoyer 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.

President Cournoyer congratulated teams participating in First Lego League tournaments:

- Riverdale Rocks Robots – Blue: Project Honorable Mention; advanced to State Championship
- Riverdale Rocks Robots – Gray: Project Award; advanced to State Championship
- PVJH W.A.R.P We Are Robot People: advanced to State Championship
- Furry Logic: Champion's Award : advanced to State Championship
- Riverdale Heights Big Blue World – Nemo: Judges Award
- Flourish&Bots – Gold: advanced to State Championship
- Galaxy Explorers: Robot Design Awards
- Riverdale Heights Blue: Judges Award
- Flourish&Bots – Navy: advanced to State Championship
- Block Busters: advanced to State Championship
- Cody BRICKfast: Core Values Award

She noted that at the first tournament in 2008, 12 teams from area schools competed. This year 64 teams participated in a two day competition.

Mr. Strusz congratulated PVHS Career Center Advisor Mary Johnson, the only non-teacher appointed to Governor Reynolds' 16-member *Governor's Teachers Cabinet* assembled to give teachers a more prominent voice in education policy decisions.

Mr. Strusz briefed the Board on Iowa Department of Education Director Ryan Wise's December 6th visit to the District. Director Wise toured the district and observed our teacher leadership in action.

Dr. Spelhaug extended sympathy on behalf of the District and the Board to the families of Debe LaMar, district parent and City of Bettendorf Alderman; Vernon Spring, former mayor of LeClaire; and Evalea McBride, district bus driver since 1976.

Dr. Spelhaug recognized the following district employees retiring in December:

- Jeanne Hodgins, Pleasant View Building Secretary, 22 years in the district
- Ellen Nelson, Riverdale Heights Assistant Building Secretary, 24 years in the district
- Jeff Sobie, Pleasant Valley High School Custodian, 23 years in the district
- Joyce Bauwens, Payroll, 53 years in the district
- Trampus Budde, Pleasant Valley Junior High Principal since 2011

He also made note of the following recently announced retirements (effective the end of the 2018-19 school year):

- Paul Wakeland, Hopewell Elementary Head Custodian, 21 years in the district
- Kim Scheerer, Pleasant View Elementary 3rd grade teacher, 16 years in the district
- Ray LaFrentz, Director of Operations, 42 years in the district.

Dr. Spelhaug thanked these individuals for their faithful service to the students, families and staff of Pleasant Valley Community School District.

Dr. Spelhaug presented to President Cournoyer a plaque commemorating her 5 years' service to the Board of Education and thanked her for the valuable work she has done. President Cournoyer has resigned her Board position effective January 1, 2019 and will be sworn in as an Iowa State Senator, District 49 on January 14, 2019.

RECOGNITION: Pleasant Valley Community School District has once again been recognized on the AP Honor Roll for the 4th time in 9 years and for the second consecutive year. To be recognized on the AP Honor Roll, a district must increase participation in/access to Advanced Placement Coursework by at least 4%, increase minority participation, and improve performance levels. AP teachers Ian Spangenberg, Lynne Lundberg, Steph Risius, Sara Russell, Bart Meinke, Aimee Peters, Alexandria Medenci and PVHS principal Mike Zimmer described their work in helping students achieve AP success and their plans to expand AP opportunities.

CONSENT AGENDA, December 17, 2018: Motion by Ayers, second by Wagle that the consent agenda be approved as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

The December 17, 2018 consent agenda consists of the following:

- **MINUTES:** The approval of minutes of the November 26, 2018 Regular meeting.
- **PERSONNEL:**
 - CERTIFIED:** Trampus Budde, Principal at Pleasant Valley Junior High School, has submitted his resignation effective January 8, 2019. Maria Cibula, Music Teacher at Pleasant View Elementary School, has submitted her resignation effective the end of the 2018-19 school year. Rob Medd, Assistant Band Director at Pleasant Valley High School, has submitted his resignation effective the end of the 2018-19 school year. Kim Scheerer, Third Grade Teacher at Pleasant View Elementary School, has submitted her request for early retirement effective the end of the 2018-19 school year. She will have served 16 years in the District.
 - CLASSIFIED:** Angela Brand, Special Education Aide at Hopewell Elementary School, has submitted her resignation effective December 21, 2018. Amber Hopf, Special Education Aide at Hopewell Elementary School, is nearing the end of her probationary period and is recommended for regular employment effective December 17, 2018. Ray LaFrentz, Director of Operations, has submitted his request for early retirement effective the end of the 2018-19 school year. He will have served 42 years in the district. Kathryn Lewis, Preschool Special Education Aide at Bridgeview Elementary

School, is nearing the end of her probationary period and is recommended for regular employment effective December 17, 2018. Matthew McLaughlin, Grounds/Maintenance Assistant, is nearing the end of his probationary period and is recommended for regular employment effective January 1, 2019. Paul Wakeland, Head Custodian at Hopewell Elementary, has submitted his request for early retirement effective the end of the 2018-19 school year. He will have served 21 years in the district. Lisa West, Special Education Aide at Cody Elementary School, is nearing the end of her probationary period and is recommended for regular employment effective December 17, 2018.

CLASSIFIED (*for information only*): Rhonda Brockhouse is recommended for probationary employment as a Preschool Special Education Aide at Bridgeview Elementary effective December 6, 2018. Betty Still, Special Education Aide at Bridgeview Elementary, has submitted her resignation effective November 30, 2018.

TEACHER LEADERSHIP:

ADDS: Peter Grau PVJH Building Lead

EXTRA-CURRICULAR:

ADDS: Eric Belby PVHS Head Boys Track and Field Coach

DROPS: Eric Belby PVHS Assistant Boys Track and Field Coach
Tony Clifton PVHS Assistant Freshman Baseball Coach
Greg Cotton PVHS Assistant Volleyball Coach

- OPEN ENROLLMENT: Two IN from Davenport, one IN from Bettendorf.
- COOPERATIVE TEACHING AGREEMENTS: Upper Iowa University and Fort Hayes State University
- APPROVAL OF CHANGE IN EMPLOYEE BUSINESS TRAVEL MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT RATE: The District reviews the reimbursement rate every six months, and based upon the decreased price of gasoline, the employee business travel mileage reimbursement rate has been decreased to \$0.27 per mile effective January 1, 2019.
- ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS:
Special Education Advisory Committee: Mandy Babcock, Jennifer Bishop, Dawn Dittmer, Darren Erickson, Stacie Giesecke, Mallory Glanzman, Mary Jo Graham, Linda Heiselman, Tony Hiatt, Meredith Kennedy, Stacy Mausser, Jodi Mitchell, Dorrie Murphy, Gina Nichols, Melissa Ogden, Jessica Richards, Teresa Sack, Melissa Schieffer, Courtney Schlichte, Ginnie Schumann, Barb Sollars, Tammy Stevenson, Deena Taylor, Andy Ward, Erin Woods.
Special Education Service Delivery: Kayla Bartz, Keith Cavanagh, Jen Dobrunz, Lori Duncan, Darren Erickson, Rachel Gotto, Ann Dubin-Hechler, Tracy Keppy, Jenny Lauritsen, Cindy Lewis, Kari Long, Mike Peakin, Kelly Pennekamp, Aaron Roome, Brian Strusz, Gina Weaver, Chris Welch.
Extended Learning Advisory Committee: Carol Hamann, Erin Vargas, Darcie Kress, Laurie Brasche, Sandra Melchert, Denise McMonagle, Phil Kenney, Aimee Peters, Julie Stickney, Valerie Tucker, Erin Latoria, Justin Teitle, Jason Jones, Jamie Homb, Anita Roche, Bart Meinke, Anna Kronenberger, Rebecca VanBlaricome, Erin Ahnquist, Chris Bock, Erin Thiessen, Leslie Wonderlich, Cindy Lewis, Brian Strusz.

EXPENSES APPROVED:

Motion by Hoskins, second by Ayers that General Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$841,855.76 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Brockmann that Nutrition Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$93,112.58 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Wagle, second by Dickson that Elementary/Junior High Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$9,417.39 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Ayers that High School Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$54,253.92 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Brockmann, second by Hoskins that Management Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$14,222.00 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Wagle, second by Ayers that Capital Projects Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$1,563,557.99 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Brockmann that PPEL Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$238,485.31 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Anderson that Internal Service Fund warrants 5883 through 5892 be issued in the total amount of \$405,740.61 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ayers, second by Hoskins that Trust Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$1,485.92 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

2019-20 HIGH SCHOOL COURSE OF STUDY RECOMMENDATIONS: Mr. Zimmer guided the Board through a final review of PVHS course changes for 2019-20.

- APP DEVELOPMENT .5 Unit Elective grades 11-12
- AP 3D ART & DESIGN 1 unit Elective grades 11-12
- PHOTOGRAPHY II .5 Unit Elective grades 10-12

Motion by Dickson, second by Ayers that the Board approve changes to the high school course of study as presented. Roll Call Vote. Ayes – Anderson, Ayers, Hoskins, Cournoyer, Dickson, Brockmann, Wagle. Nays – none. Motion carried.

2019-20 SCHOOL CALENDAR: The Board reviewed for the third time the 2019-20 calendar and associated dates including reporting dates and conferences. The calendar reflects the state mandated start date of August 23rd, winter break December 23rd – January 3rd, and spring break March 16th – 20th. Graduation will be held May 31st. The nature of the calendar makes it impossible to have the class of 2020 commencement ceremony on Memorial weekend. Last day of school barring snow days would be June 5th. A public hearing and approval of the 2019-20 calendar will appear on the January 14th agenda.

No required motion.

Director Brockmann exited the meeting at 6:50 p.m. so that she could attend the choral concert.

BOARD MEMBER RESIGNATION: Six individuals have requested application materials for the Director District #1 vacancy and one completed application has been received. The newly appointed board member will serve Director District # 1 until the November 2019 school board election.

Candidates submitting an application prior to the January 10th, 4:00 p.m. deadline will be invited to the January 14th board meeting for a brief interview. The board will select a replacement from that pool, and the appointment will occur at the January 28th board meeting.

No required motion.

IOWA POSTSECONDARY READINESS REPORT: Mr. Strusz reviewed with the Board the 2018 Iowa Postsecondary readiness report released by the Iowa Department of Education, Board of Regents, Iowa Workforce Development and Iowa Community Colleges. 81.5% of PVHS students enrolled in a college or university within one year of high school graduation (average of 2013-2015 grads). Seven Iowa high schools received a higher ranking. Ankeny Centennial High School ranked highest at 86.9%. Note that technical school enrollment or military enlistment is not reflected in this report. It is the goal of the district that every graduate enroll in postsecondary study or training.

No required motion.

IOWA SCHOOLS PERFORMANCE PROFILE: The Board participated in an introductory discussion of the new *Iowa Performance Profile Report* during the board meeting, and the Iowa Department of Education released their report December 18th. <https://www.iaschoolperformance.gov/Home/Index>.

- Note all seven of our schools have met the requirements for the comprehensive and targeted areas.
- Next steps...
 - We will continually strive to offer quality programming to allow all students to grow academically
 - We will continue to work within our buildings and with the Safe and Supportive Schools committee to offer a positive learning environment for all students
 - We will continue to promote and advance not only students graduating from PVHS but also completing a program after high school.

No required motion.

FOREST GROVE ELEMENTARY/FIVE YEAR CAPITAL PROJEOCT PLAN UPDATE: Bids were received Thursday, December 13th for the Forest Grove Elementary project. Bids ranged from \$17,840,000 to \$18,845,000. Dr. Spelhaug shared with the Board the architect's Opinion of Project Cost for a two section building and described various alternatives to the base bid. Official acceptance of bids will be an agenda item January 14th. The district Five Year Capital Project Plan allocated \$18,114,770 to this project. The district will be accepting a variety of bid alternatives to mitigate the gap between the low bid and budget. Also not reflected in the district budget figure are dollars which will be received from Food Service for kitchen equipment.

No required motion.

PLEASANT VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL CHANGE ORDERS: It is estimated that \$90,000 of the \$500,000 contingency fund will remain unspent at the completion of the project.

Kone, Inc. Change Order #1; add of \$1,445.73: To provide labor to perform a reinspection due to fire safety equipment which was damaged by construction.

Motion by Dickson, second by Hoskins that the Board approve the Kone, Inc. Change Order #1; add of \$1,445.73 for the high school addition and remodel project. Roll call vote. Ayes - Anderson, Ayers, Hoskins, Cournoyer, Dickson, Wagle. Nays – none. Motion carried.

American Electric, Inc. Change Order #8; add of \$5,865.02: Change order is the result of replacing damaged smoke detectors, meeting fire marshal requirements and amending work omitted from drawings.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Ayers that the Board approve the American Electric, Inc. Change Order #8; add of \$5,865.02 for the high school addition and remodel project. Roll call vote. Ayes - Anderson, Ayers, Hoskins, Cournoyer, Dickson, Wagle. Nays – none. Motion carried.

2017-18 COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT (CAFR): Mr. Clingingsmith reviewed in detail with the Board the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the year ended June 30, 2018. The CAFR provides thorough and detailed presentation of the District’s financial condition beyond GAAP (General Accepted Accounting Principles) requirements. This is the third year that the district has issued a CAFR instead of the standard form of audit report. The District received an Unmodified Opinion, which is the most desired audit result. The Board thanked Mr. Clingingsmith and the business office for the extra effort required to prepare the CAFR.

Motion by Wagle, second by Anderson that the board accept the Pleasant Valley Community School District Comprehensive Annual Financial Report issued by Bohnsack & Frommelt LLP for the year ended June 30, 2018. Roll call vote. Ayes - Anderson, Ayers, Hoskins, Cournoyer, Dickson, Wagle. Nays – none. Motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED: The meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

FUTURE DATES:

Monday, January 7, 2019	Pleasant Valley High School Open House 5:15 – 7:00 p.m.
Monday, January 14, 2019	Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m. Belmont Administration Center
Monday, January 28, 2019	Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m. Belmont Administration Center

Individuals interested in applying for the **Director District #1 vacancy** should contact Deborah Dayman at Belmont Administration Center 563-332-5550 x 1018 Daymandeborah@pleasval.k12.ia.us for application materials. Applications must be received by January 10, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. and applicants will be invited to the January 14th board meeting for a brief interview. The Board will appoint a director from that pool. Refer to the PVCSD Director District Boundary map on the district webpage / board / map for delineation of Director District #1.
http://www.pleasval.org/pdfs/board/PVCSD_Director_District_Map.pdf

Please join us for a tour of the newly expanded and renovated
PLEASANT VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, January 7, 2019

Gather at 5:15 in the commons area (main entrance) for a ribbon cutting and brief program beginning at 5:30 p.m.

The building will be open for student-guided tours until 7:00 p.m.



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 / schools / enrollment](http://www.pleasval.org/schools/enrollment) or contact Deborah Dayman daymandeborah@pleasval.k12.ia.us (563)332-5550.

The Pleasant Valley Community School District wishes to highlight the following
Employment opportunities:

High School

Assistant Band Director
Guidance Counselor (2 positions)
Part-Time Custodian – 2nd shift Year Round Position
“As assigned”, dictated by the needs of the district to deal with snow, emergencies and work load, and can occur 24/7.

Elementary

General Music Teacher

Director of Operations Post-secondary degree or experience in construction, engineering and supervision. Prefer experience with heating, air conditioning, electrical equipment, and construction. Must have a high degree of computer literacy and operations. Such alternative to the above qualifications as the School Board may find appropriate and acceptable.

All Buildings: Substitute teachers, educational aides, and custodians

Please apply via Employment link at www.pleasval.org
PVCSD is EOE/AA



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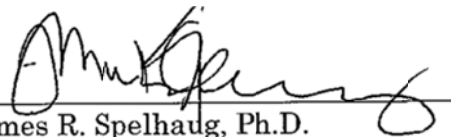
NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION

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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