

PLEASANT VALLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Bettendorf, LeClaire, Riverdale
UNOFFICIAL MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
BELMONT ADMINISTRATION CENTER
Monday, September 24, 2018; 6:00 P.M. C.D.S.T.

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

Also present: Jim Spelhaug, Deborah Dayman, Mike Clingingsmith, Brian Strusz, Cindy Lewis, Mike Zimmer, Dr. Roark Horn, Drew Anderson, Joel & Joyce Haack, Lisa Lammers, and others.

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.

RECOGNITION: National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists: Mr. Zimmer introduced the following seniors who were recently honored as National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists in the 63rd annual National Merit Scholarship Program: Regan Breen, daughter of Tom and Shelley Breen; Kaitlyn Ryan, daughter of Patrick and Stacey Ryan; Justin Sehlin, son of Scott and Christy Sehlin; and Sarah Warner, daughter of Lian Warner.

To become a Finalist, a Semifinalist must have an outstanding academic record throughout the high school years, be endorsed and recommended by the school principal, write an essay, and earn SAT scores that confirm the student’s earlier qualifying test performance. The Semifinalist and a school official must submit a detailed scholarship application which includes the student’s essay and information about the Semifinalist’s participation and leadership in school and community activities. From approximately 16,000 Semifinalists, representing the top 1% of students across the nation, nearly 15,000 will advance to the Finalist level and in February will be notified of this designation. These scholarship recipients will join some 330,000 other distinguished young people who have earned the Merit Scholar title.

ANNUAL MEETING: Due to the state legislature’s decision to combine school board elections with general elections held during odd-numbered years, the Board made the decision to, for future years, hold the organizational meeting during the new election month, November. The next organizational meeting will be held November 11, 2019, and officers elected during this year’s annual meeting will serve until that date.

Motion by Dickson, second by Ayers that the Board approve modifying the term of President and Vice President to September 24, 2018 through November 11, 2019 to accommodate the legislative

change of school board elections to November commencing in 2019. Roll call vote. Ayes – Hoskins, Cournoyer, Dickson, Brockmann, Wagle, Anderson, Ayers. Nays – none. Motion carried.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Chris Cournoyer was re-elected President with a unanimous vote and Nikhil Wagle was re-elected Vice-President also with a unanimous vote. The Oath of Office was administered to each by the Board Secretary. President Cournoyer administered the Oath of Office to the Board Secretary Deborah Dayman. The Board Secretary administered the Oath of Office to Treasurer Joyce Bauwens Tuesday morning, September 25, 2018.

CONSENT AGENDA, September 24, 2018: Motion by Ayers, second by Wagle that the consent agenda be approved as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

The September 24, 2018 consent agenda consists of the following:

- **MINUTES:** The approval of minutes of the September 10, 2018 Regular meeting.
- **PERSONNEL:**
CERTIFIED: none
CLASSIFIED: Sarah Richardson, special education aide at Pleasant View Elementary, has resigned her position effective October 12, 2018
CLASSIFIED (*for information only*): Corey Lopez is recommended for probationary employment as year-round full time custodian at Pleasant Valley High School starting September 17, 2018. Javin Lovelady is recommended for probationary employment as a year-round part time custodian at Pleasant Valley High School starting September 24, 2018. Lisa West is recommended for probationary employment as an educational aide at Cody Elementary School starting September 14, 2018. James Young is recommended for probationary employment as a year-round part time custodian at Pleasant Valley High School starting September 10, 2018.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR:

ADDS:	Gabby Meyer	PVJH Head Volleyball Coach
DROPS:	Bill Sandry	PVHS Head Varsity Baseball Coach
	Chris Bryant	PVHS Head Varsity Track & Field Coach

- **OPEN ENROLLMENT:** three IN from Bettendorf.
- **APPOINTMENT** of Cindy Lewis as District Child Abuse Investigator, Darren Erickson as alternate, and Jim Sweeney as Outside Investigator This is an annual appointment.

- **ANNUAL MEETING:**

1. Be it resolved that the Board President, Board Secretary, Treasurer, Chief Financial Officer and Superintendent be authorized to sign warrants authorized by the Chief Financial Officer to be drawn upon the accounts maintained at Blackhawk Bank, LeClaire, Iowa.

2. Be it resolved that the Board President, Board Secretary, Treasurer, Chief Financial Officer and Superintendent be authorized to sign warrants authorized by the Chief Financial Officer to be drawn upon the accounts maintained at First Central State Bank, LeClaire, Iowa.

3. Appointments of Treasurer and Secretary: Joyce Bauwens is appointed as Treasurer of the Pleasant Valley Community School District for a one year term. The term will begin October 1, 2018, and end December 31, 2018.

Deborah Dayman is appointed as Secretary of the Pleasant Valley Community School District for a one year term. The term will begin October 1, 2018, and end September 30, 2019.

Secretary and Treasurer will be bonded in the amount of \$10,000 as per Code of Iowa, Section 291.2.

The Oath of Office was administered by the President to the Secretary.

(The Oath of Office was administered by the Secretary to the Treasurer Tuesday, September 25, 2018.)

EXPENSES APPROVED:

Motion by Dickson, second by Hoskins that General Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$207,815.07 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Wagle, second by Brockmann that Nutrition Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$56,122.06 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Ayers that Elementary/Junior High Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$1,665.94 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Brockmann, second by Dickson that High School Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$38,560.54 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson, second by Ayers that Capital Projects Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$827.42 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Anderson that PPEL Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$91,844.25 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Ayers that Internal Service Fund warrants 5855 through 5860 be issued in the total amount of \$348,682.31 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Wagle, second by Brockmann that Trust Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$4,749.32 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT REPLACEMENT PROCESS: Dr. Roark Horn, Executive Director of School Administrators of Iowa (SAI) was present to help the Board define the next steps in the superintendent replacement process. The Board and Dr. Horn reviewed notes from all fourteen Superintendent Replacement Listening Tour forums. The Board will move forward with interviewing internal candidate and Assistant Superintendent Brian Strusz during Executive (closed) Session at the October 8th board meeting.

No required motion.

SBRC REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL ALLOWABLE GROWTH AND SUPPLEMENTAL AID FOR 2017-18 ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS (E.L.L.) DEFICIT: The state requires that the board authorize a request to the SBRC (School Budget Review Committee) for additional allowable growth (also known as spending authority) for the amount of the district's English language learners (E.L.L.) deficit for the 2017-18 fiscal year in order for the district to receive the additional spending authority. The state began allowing districts to request additional allowable growth for their E.L.L. deficits beginning with deficits that were incurred for the 2013-14 fiscal year. We have calculated the district's 2017-18 E.L.L. deficit to be \$57,993.46.

Motion by Dickson, second by Ayers that the board authorize a request to the School Budget Review Committee (SBRC) for additional allowable growth in the amount of the \$57,993.46 for the district's 2017-18 E.L.L. deficit. Roll call vote. Ayes – Hoskins, Cournoyer, Dickson, Brockmann, Wagle, Anderson, Ayers. Nays – none. Motion carried.

PROPOSED LECLAIRE TIF PROJECT: The City of LeClaire has informed the district of a proposed amendment to the Urban Renewal Plan - LeClaire Urban Renewal Area No. 1. Under consideration is Tax Increment Financing including tax rebate payments for a developer planning a building south of the Mississippi River Distilling Company. A rooftop bar/restaurant, as well as ground level restaurant and retail space is proposed. As part of the project, an adjacent abandoned building will be renovated. The project will create an estimated \$775,000 - \$800,000 in new assessed valuation and maximum tax rebate payments of \$82,989 are anticipated to be to be paid over five years.

Because this TIF project is not related to residential property and its duration is fixed at five years without opportunity for renewal, the District will not voice opposition to the proposal. Scott County has issued a letter in opposition.

No Required Motion.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS: Mr. Clingingsmith presented monthly financial reports for June, July, and August 2018. Generally, financial reports are reviewed monthly. However, June financials aren't made final until the auditors complete their field work in early September.

Through June, General fund revenue totaled \$50,897,806 and expenses totaled \$50,748,723. The fund balance in the General Fund at June 30, 2018 was \$6,588,244. June 30th is the final day of the district's fiscal year.

Through July, General fund revenue totaled \$438,723 and expenses totaled \$1,002,148. The fund balance in the General Fund at July 31, 2018 was \$6,024,820.

Through August, General fund revenue totaled \$877,182 and expenses totaled \$2,172,856. The fund balance in the General Fund at August 31, 2018 was \$5,292,570.

Also presented were Management, PPEL, Capital Projects, Debt Service, Nutrition, Internal Service, and Activity Funds reports for each month. No significant variances from projections were noted.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Anderson that the board accept the monthly financial reports for June, July and August as presented. Roll call vote. Ayes – Ayers, Hoskins, Cournoyer, Dickson, Brockmann, Wagle, Anderson. Nays – none. Motion carried.

IASB COHERENCE MODULE #3: The Board viewed and discussed the third *Coherence* module entitled Deepening Learning.

No required motion.

MEETING ADJOURNED: The meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

FUTURE DATES:

Monday October 8, 2018	Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m. Belmont Administration Center
Monday, October 22, 2018	Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m. Belmont Administration Center

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.

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

Grounds / Maintenance Assistant
Year Round

Hours: 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (1/2 hour lunch) or as assigned

*As assigned is dictated by the needs of the district to deal with snow, emergencies and work load, and can occur 24/7.

Elementary Educational Aide

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.

James R. Spelhaug, Ph.D.
Superintendent