

PLEASANT VALLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Bettendorf, LeClaire, Riverdale
UNOFFICIAL MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION, REGULAR MEETING, BELMONT ADMINISTRATION
CENTER
Monday, September 28, 2015 – 6:00 P.M. C.D.S.T.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Anderson, Cournoyer, Dickson, Hoskins, Wagle, Witters.
Absent: Isbell.

Also present: Jim Spelhaug, Brian Strusz, Stephanie Judkins, Deborah Dayman, Beth Marsoun, Ray LaFrentz, Dick and Juanita Schillig, State Senator Rita Hart, State Representative Linda Miller, State Representative Norlin Mommsen, Jackie Stepaniak.

AGENDA APPROVED: Motion by Cournoyer, second by Dickson 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 Hoskins thanked the administration and board for the orientation and training provided to new board members.

Director Cournoyer thanked the high school administrators and chaperones for their supervision at the homecoming dance.

Director Witters read a message from Jorge Rodriguez, member of the Scott County Assessors Examining Board, requesting that the board share with him any thoughts or concerns as the Examining Board begins the search for an individual to replace the retiring county assessor.

Mr. Strusz expressed on behalf of the entire district sympathy to the family and friends of Caitlyn Burns.

Dr. Spelhaug introduced Dick and Juanita Schillig. The Schilligs launched the *Run With Carl* Labor Day Race in memory of their son, Carl. After 20 races, the Schilligs passed leadership of the event along to the Pleasant Valley and Bettendorf School Districts' educational foundations. In recognition of their efforts, the Schilligs were named ***Iowans of the Day*** at the Iowa State Fair in August. President Witters and the board thanked the Schilligs on behalf of a grateful community for the many lives touched through the scholarships provided by the Schillig family and the RWC.

Iowa Senator Rita Hart, and Representatives Linda Miller and Norlin Mommsen addressed the board on past legislative actions, briefed the board on possible priorities to be addressed during the 2016 legislative session, and took questions from the board. Each emphasized their appreciation for and consideration of input from constituents. The dominant theme to legislators was the need for timely and adequate funding.

CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Dickson, second by Cournoyer that the consent agenda be approved as presented. All ayes. Motion carried. The consent agenda consists of the following:

- MINUTES: The approval of minutes of the September 14, 2015 regular meeting.
- PERSONNEL: The following personnel items were recommended for approval:

The probationary employment of Maida Dippel, Special Education Aide at Cody Elementary; and Stephen Retzl, part-time custodian at Pleasant Valley High School.

The extra-curricular drops of Stephen Dougherty, assistant high school track; and Rob Wood, varsity baseball.

- OPEN ENROLLMENT: One open enrollment application in from Bettendorf for the 2015-16 school year.
- COOPERATIVE STUDENT TEACHING AGREEMENT with the University of Iowa.

EXPENSES APPROVED:

Motion by Wagle, second by Dickson that General Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$147,103.67 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Cournoyer, second by Wagle that Nutrition Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$48,688.09 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Hoskins that Elementary/Junior High Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$1,474.29 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Dickson that High School Activity Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$20,732.93 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Wagle that Management Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$229,989.83 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Cournoyer, second by Dickson that PPEL Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$11,574.11 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hoskins, second by Cournoyer that Capital Projects Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$84,735.12 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dickson, second by Hoskins that Trust Fund warrants be issued in the total amount of \$2,301.78 in payment of invoices presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

UPDATE 5-YEAR CAPITAL PROJECTS PLAN: Dr. Spelhaug provided an overview of capital projects. In addition to scheduled maintenance, renovation and classroom modernization, projects include building additions at the junior high and Cody, a freshman tower and additional parking at the high school, and stadium renovations at the high school. The construction of Forest Grove Elementary School has *tentatively* been placed in year 5 of the plan. This review is the first step in the development of a borrowing plan to finance needed improvements and expansion projects.

Motion by Wagle, second by Dickson that the board accept the 5-year Capital Projects Plan as presented. Roll call vote. Ayes – Witters, Anderson, Cournoyer, Dickson, Hoskins, Wagle. Nays – none.

ENERGY SAVINGS UPDATE: Ray LaFrentz reviewed with the board energy conservation projects underway in the district, including the replacement of fluorescent lighting fixtures with LED fixtures. Rebates from MidAmerican Energy will cover 78% of the \$896,000 cost of the project, and the district’s remaining investment will be recouped via energy cost savings within two years.

No required motion.

BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL COMPLEX CHANGE ORDER #6: Change involves a plan to shift completion of drainage work from Daxon Construction to Greenspace.

1.	Re-grading of the area at the baseball bullpen	deduct \$ 500
2.	Re-grading inside the gate 1st base area softball	deduct \$1500
3.	Re-grading, re-seeding behind softball dugouts	deduct \$1500
4.	Lack of grass growth in common areas	deduct \$1000
5.	Conduct survey checks of site/grade issues	<u>deduct \$1500</u>
	Total	deduct \$6000

Motion by Dickson, second by Cournoyer that the board approve change order #6 for the Baseball and Softball Complex reconstruction project in the amount of a deduct of \$6,000. Roll call vote. Ayes – Hoskins, Wagle, Witters, Anderson, Cournoyer, Dickson. Nays – none. Motion carried.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS: Dr. Spelhaug presented the monthly financial reports for June, July and August, 2015. Through June, general fund revenue totaled \$42,380,733 and expenses totaled \$41,559,210. The fund balance in the General Fund at June 30, 2015 was \$5,402,883. (June 30 is the end of the school district’s fiscal year.) Through July, general fund revenue totaled \$1,798,742 and expenses totaled \$1,364,266. The fund balance in the General Fund at July 31, 2015 was \$5,837,359. Through August, general fund revenue totaled \$2,041,011 and expenses totaled \$2,436,007. The fund balance in the General Fund at August 31, 2015 was \$5,007,888. He also presented reports on the Management, PPEL, Capital Projects, Debt Service, Nutrition, Internal Service, and Activity Funds. There were no significant or unexpected variances from projections in the financial reports.

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

MEETING ADJOURNED: The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

FUTURE DATES:

Monday, October 12, 2015 Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
Belmont Administration Center

Monday, October 26, 2015 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.

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NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION

It is the policy of the Pleasant Valley Community School District not to illegally discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, 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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