

# PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Brodheadsville, PA 18322

Minutes of the July 21, 2022

Board of Education Meeting

Board Approved 8-11-2022

## **CALL TO ORDER:**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Pleasant Valley School District Board of Education was held on July 21, 2022 and called to order by President Sue Kresge at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. Lori Hagerman followed by a moment of silence. The meeting was held in the Pleasant Valley District Conference Room, 2233 Route 115, Brodheadsville, PA 18322 and via Zoom.

**Roll Call – School Board Recorder:** Ms. Debra Duff

**School Board members in attendance:** Mrs. Sue Kresge, Mrs. Laura Jecker, Mr. Todd Kresge, Mr. Norm Burger, Ms. Teresa Greggo, Mr. Michael Galler, Mrs. Diane Serfass. Absent: Mrs. Melanie Zipp, Mr. Delbert Zacharias.

**Administrative staff in attendance:** Dr. James Konrad, Superintendent, Dr. Rae Lin Howard, Assistant Superintendent, Mrs. Lori Fulmer, Supervisor of Human Services, Kathleen Franklin, Assistant Board Secretary, Mr. Bill Gasper, Director of Operations, Ms. Lynn Courtright, Chief of Security, Mr. Alex Sterenchock, Network Administrator, Ms. Julie Harris, Director of Special Education, Dr. Susan Mowrer Benda, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment, Mrs. Lori Hagerman, Curriculum Supervisor.

**School Solicitor in attendance:** Mark Fitzgerald, Esq.

## **Notification of Executive Session:**

President Sue Kresge announced that an executive session was held on July 21, 2022 immediately prior to the regularly scheduled meeting for the purposes of personnel matters including, but not limited to, performance and/or discipline; negotiations; and legal issues.

## **Overview of 2022-2025 Comprehensive Plan**

### **Overview of PVSD Health & Safety Plan**

### **Overview of 2021-2024 Special Education Plan**

Dr. Susan Mowrer Benda provided a PowerPoint presentation outlining the Comprehensive Plan which is required by PDE and used to ensure that all students are achieving at high levels. She stated that each school district in the Commonwealth of PA is required to complete the Comprehensive Planning Process and Document every three years. She stated that the Steering Committee includes staff, students, administration, community members, School Board members, and IU team member and she outlined the year long process for the 2022-2025 Plan. In addition, she outlined identified goals for each building. Dr. Mowrer Benda stated that final Board approval and submission to PDE is required in July and that throughout the next three years will be used to help guide us as we talk about teaching instruction K-12. Dr. Mowrer Benda also outlined the PVSD Health and Safety Plan for which review is required every six months the last review being in February 2022. She reviewed updates and revisions as necessary and determined by the LEA to receive ESSER funding. Ms. Julie Harris, Special Education Supervisor, reviewed the 2021-2024 Special Education Plan. She highlighted creation of programs – 2021-2022 Emotional Support programs, K-3 Life Skills program, and addition of Physical Support classroom. She stated that LRE is above state average of 65%; PV at 80% and spoke about the Child Study Team implemented in 2021-2022 to provide interventions as well as St. Luke's YESS! Program and LSW intervention to support emotional and social needs of students with disabilities.

## **SECRETARY'S REPORT: Mrs. Kathleen Franklin, Assistant Board Secretary**

Mr. Galler motioned, seconded by Mrs. Jecker to approve the minutes of the Board of Education Meeting held on June 23, 2022 and the minutes of the Board of Education Special Meeting held on June 30, 2022; to approve the Board Meeting Agenda of July 21, 2022 amended as follows: Removal of Agenda item #10.C. – 2022-2023 PDE Emergency Instructional Time Template.

VOICE VOTE: 7-0 CARRIED

Mrs. Kresge announced the meeting procedures and an opportunity was given for Pleasant Valley citizen to address the Board on agenda items:

## **Pleasant Valley Citizens – (Agenda items):**

Participants in attendance:

Desiree Murray, Chestnuthill Township, expressed her concerns and opinions relating to the recall and remove from non-renewal lists and recall and remove from support staff furlough list as well as resignations. She expressed support for paraprofessionals.

Ann Gravell, Polk Township, expressed concern about mask wearing for students.

Leigha McGlinch, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern about Lorraine McCutchan and Donna Yozwiak being part of the Steering Committee.

**Zoom Participants:**

Danielle Brandes, Eldred Township, expressed concern about the Comprehensive Plan and implementation of certain areas.

Ron Reynolds, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concerns and opinions about SEL, training, and parents' choice. He expressed his concern about the Comprehensive Plan and will provide information.

Leia Leuthardt, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern about mask wearing and the Comprehensive Plan with regard to SEL; burden of tax increase.

Karen Hope, Chestnuthill Township, expressed her opinion in favor of SEL.

End of public comment.

Dr. Konrad addressed issues raised about the recall list and paraprofessionals and spoke about challenging decisions that must be made in light of enrollment and fiscal responsibility. He reiterated that masks are not required in school or on buses and that nothing has changed; however, if recommendations are made, they will be looked into. He also addressed members of the community involved in committee meetings for the Comprehensive Plan and their contribution to the district. Dr. Konrad also addressed SEL and the components contained in the program relating to relationship skills. He said to reach out to him to express concerns so that all can work together.

**TREASURER'S REPORT: Mrs. Diane Serfass**

Mr. Kresge motioned, seconded by Mr. Burger to approve Agenda item #4.A. – Accounts Payable, as attached:

Approval of Agenda item #4.B. – Manual Checks June 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022.

Approval of Agenda item #4.C. – Manual Checks June 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022 – PSDLAF.

Approval of Agenda item #4.D. - Accounts Payable July 21, 2022.

Agenda item #4.E. – Approval of Financial Statements for June 2022:

Approval of Agenda item #4.F. – Trial Balance/Financial Statement June 2022.

Approval of Agenda item #4.G. – Asset Cost Summary June 2022.

Approval of Agenda item #4.H. – Condensed Board Summary II/Expenditures and Revenues June 2022.

ROLL CALL: 7-0 CARRIED

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Solicitor: Mark Fitzgerald, Esq.** – No report.

Mrs. Kresge opened up discussion with regard to Agenda item #5.B. – Band Truck Driver Wage. She stated that the employee that drove the air brakes band truck had a CDL but he left the district and in our failed search for a driver with a CDL, First Student was hired to drive the truck at a cost. She said that as a supplemental position, an option would be to put the stipend including layover pay back to the way it was. Lengthy discussion was held about possibly changing the air brakes box truck to another box truck so that the hiring of a driver would not require a CDL and the posting can be opened up to other individuals including parents. Further discussion was held about comparison of box trucks; costs; liability; and the supplemental contract. Mr. Gasper provided information about this issue which was looked into in the past and lengthy discussion was held. Ms. Greggo addressed the supplemental contract and discussion was held.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Monroe Career & Technical Institute: Mr. Todd Kresge** – No report.

**Colonial IU20: Mr. Michael Galler** – A report was provided. Mr. Galler stated that the next meeting is scheduled for August 1<sup>st</sup>.

**PSBA Legislative Liaison Report** – No report.

**Education Committee: Mrs. Sue Kresge** – No report.

**Finance Committee: Mr. Norm Burger** – Mr. Burger reported on basic education funding and shared the increase for Pleasant Valley as 3.24% while surrounding school districts are at higher increases. He reviewed the major differences in increases under the hold harmless clause. Mr. Burger further reported that we are still awaiting the Supreme Court to hand down a decision on fair funding which could have future impacts. He stated that the next meeting is scheduled for August 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Athletic Committee: Ms. Teresa Greggo** – No report. She stated that the All Sports Club is up and ready.

**Policy Committee: – Mrs. Diane Serfass** – No report.

**SUPERINTENDENT-REPORT/REQUESTS: Dr. James R. Konrad**

Mrs. Jecker motioned, seconded by Mrs. Serfass to approve Agenda item #7.A. – Superintendent Items:

Approval of Agenda item #7.B. – Second Reading and Approval of the following Policies:

1. Policy 005 Organization
2. Policy 006 Meetings

ROLL CALL: 7-0 CARRIED  
 Voting No on Agenda item #7.B.1.: Mrs. Jecker 6-1 CARRIED

Agenda item #7.C. – Informational: No July Enrollment Report due to rollover for the new school year. An enrollment report will be provided in August.

**HUMAN RESOURCES: Mrs. Lori Fulmer**

Mr. Burger motioned, seconded by Ms. Greggo to approve Agenda item #8.A. – Personnel Items:

Approval of Agenda item #8.B. – Recall and Remove from 2022 Non-Renewal List:

1.	Name:	Robert Hahn
	Current Building:	PVHS
	New Building:	PVMS
	Position:	Social Studies Teacher
	Replace:	Timothy McCutchan

Approval of Agenda item #8.C. – Recall and Remove from 2022 Support Staff Furlough List:

1.	Name:	Maryanne Bridy
	Building:	PVIS
	Position:	Monitor
	Replace:	Jody Swanson

Approval of Agenda item #8.D. – Rescind Resignation:

1.	Name:	Michael Borger
	Position:	Head of Maintenance
	Action:	Rescind Resignation previously approved 6/9/2022

Approval of Agenda item #8.E. – Change to Current Assignment:

1.	Name:	Aleisa Kinsey
	Current Building:	PVMS
	Current Position:	Reading Teacher
	New Building:	PVES
	New Position:	K-4 Cyber Teacher
2.	Name:	Brian Morgan
	Current Building:	PVHS
	Current Position:	School Counselor
	New Building:	PVHS
	New Position:	Cyber School Counselor

Approval of Agenda item #8.F. - Supplemental Contracts: Athletic (pending receipt of required paperwork):

Appointment herein and the District’s obligation to pay the coaches and supplemental positions approved in this motion(s) is subject to the District's ability to hold and/or participate in the activity in light of the COVID-19 Crisis. In the event (1) the District is closed or providing modified services, (2) unable to hold the activity as the result of direction from outside agencies such as PDE, PIAA, the CDC, the Governor’s Office, District XI, etc., or (3) the Administration determines not to hold such activities for the safety of the students and community, the District shall have no obligation to pay athletic and non-athletic contracts appointed herein. In the event sports and/or activities are reduced, the athletic and non-athletic contracts approved herein shall be paid a pro-rata amount of the stipends herein based

on the percentage of the season/activity that was held and students participated. The decision to cancel and/or discontinue the activities or sports season shall be at the exclusive discretion of the administration based, in part, on guidance from the Center for Disease Control, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, other health agencies, and student participation in such activities.

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Sport</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Salary</b>
1.	Lowell Clemons	Football	Freshman Assistant	L1	\$5,450.00
2.	Jarad Salazar	Football	Jr. High Assistant	L1	\$4,050.00

Approval of Agenda item #8.G. – Supplemental Contracts: Non-Athletic (pending receipt of required paperwork):

Appointment herein and the District’s obligation to pay the coaches and supplemental positions approved in this motion(s) is subject to the District's ability to hold and/or participate in the activity in light of the COVID-19 Crisis. In the event (1) the District is closed or providing modified services, (2) unable to hold the activity as the result of direction from outside agencies such as PDE, PIAA, the CDC, the Governor’s Office, District XI, etc., or (3) the Administration determines not to hold such activities for the safety of the students and community, the District shall have no obligation to pay athletic and non-athletic contracts appointed herein. In the event sports and/or activities are reduced, the athletic and non-athletic contracts approved herein shall be paid a pro-rata amount of the stipends herein based on the percentage of the season/activity that was held and students participated. The decision to cancel and/or discontinue the activities or sports season shall be at the exclusive discretion of the administration based, in part, on guidance from the Center for Disease Control, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, other health agencies, and student participation in such activities.

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Salary</b>
1.	Maricatherine Garr	Science Department Chairperson (9-12)	\$2,275.00
2.	Rich Petrushka	Technology (Industrial Arts) Education Department Chairperson (7-12)	\$2,275.00

Approval of Agenda item #8.H. – Family and Medical Leave:

1.	Employee ID:	4652
	Position:	Teacher
	Building:	PVMS
	Number of Days:	Thirty-eight (38)
	Dates:	October 3, 2022 – November 28, 2022
2.	Employee ID:	3789
	Position:	Custodian
	Building:	PVIS
	Number of Days:	Eight (8)
	Dates:	April 19, 2022 – April 28, 2022
3.	Employee ID:	805
	Position:	Secretary
	Building:	PVES
	Number of Days:	Four (4)
	Dates:	June 20, 2022 – June 23, 2022
4.	Employee ID:	3451
	Position:	District Technology Coordinator
	Building:	District
	Number of Days:	Sixty (60)
	Dates:	July 12, 2022 – October 4, 2022
5.	Employee ID:	4730
	Position:	Secretary
	Building:	Administration
	Number of Days:	Sixty (60)
	Dates:	August 22, 2022 – November 14, 2022

Approval of Agenda item #8.I. – Leave Without Pay:

1.	Name:	John Grimaldi
	Position:	Custodian
	Building:	PVIS
	Number of Days:	Three (3)
	Dates:	June 20, 2022 – June 22, 2022

Approval of Agenda item #8.J. – Leave Without Pay - Correction:

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Board Approved</b>	<b>Date Approved</b>	<b>Correct Date</b>
1.	Gregory Duff	May 26, 2022	May 12, 2022	May 2, 2022

Approval of Agenda item #8.K. – Retirement:

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Building</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
1.	Nancy Foertsch	Substitute Secretary	N/A	August 31, 2022

Approval of Agenda item #8.L. – Resignations:

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Building</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
1.	Kelsey DeLuise	3rd Grade Teacher	PVIS	August 19, 2022
2.	Kelly Heller	Food Service Employee	PVES	June 22, 2022
3.	Heidi Hotz	Food Service Employee	PVMS	July 6, 2022
4.	Heather Kleinle	Computer Technology Teacher	PVMS	June 29, 2022
5.	Maegan Mostellar	Kindergarten Teacher	PVES	August 19, 2022
6.	Jodi Swanson	Monitor *	PVIS	July 5, 2022
7.	Jarad Salazar	Football – Freshman Assistant	N/A	July 12, 2022
8.	Dolores Walsh	Monitor and Substitute Monitor	PVHS	June 27, 2022
9.	Kelli George	Principal	PVHS	July 14, 2022

\*Wants to remain on substitute list

Approval of Agenda item #8.M. – Affiliation Agreement between Pleasant Valley School District and Eastern School of Nursing.

ROLL CALL: 7-0 CARRIED

Agenda item #8.N. – Informational: Professional Staff Building Transfers for 2022-2023 School Year:

1.	Name:	Michelle Albanese
	Current Building:	PVHS
	New Building:	PVMS
2.	Name:	Michele Antolick
	Current Building:	PVMS
	New Building:	PVES
3.	Name:	Christopher Becker
	Current Building:	PVIS
	New Building:	PVES
4.	Name:	Melissa Bitler
	Current Building:	PVMS
	New Building:	PVES
5.	Name:	Deborah Butchkoski
	Current Building:	PVMS
	New Building:	PVIS
6.	Name:	Christopher Jarrow
	Current Building:	PVIS/PVMS
	New Building:	PVMS
7.	Name:	April Kresge
	Current Building:	PVMS
	New Building:	PVES
8.	Name:	Ashley Thompson
	Current Building:	PVHS
	New Building:	PVMS

**ADDENDUM – HUMAN RESOURCES: Mrs. Lori Fulmer**

Ms. Greggo motioned, seconded by Mrs. Serfass to approve Addendum item #9.A. – Personnel items:

Approval of Addendum item #9.B. – Recall and Remove from 2022 Furlough List:

1.	Name:	Cassandra Crawford
	Current Building:	PVES

	New Building:	PVES
	Position:	Kindergarten teacher
	Replace:	Maegan Mostellar

Approval of Addendum item #9.C. – Recall and Remove from 2020 Non-Renewal List:

1.	Name:	Jennifer Clayton
	Building:	PVES
	Position:	Kindergarten Teacher
	Salary:	BS, Step 6: \$49,667
	Replace:	Kelsey DeLuise

Approval of Addendum item #9.D. – Supplemental Contracts: Athletic Non-Coaching (pending receipt of required paperwork):

Appointment herein and the District’s obligation to pay the coaches and supplemental positions approved in this motion(s) is subject to the District's ability to hold and/or participate in the activity in light of the COVID-19 Crisis. In the event (1) the District is closed or providing modified services, (2) unable to hold the activity as the result of direction from outside agencies such as PDE, PIAA, the CDC, the Governor’s Office, District XI, etc., or (3) the Administration determines not to hold such activities for the safety of the students and community, the District shall have no obligation to pay athletic and non-athletic contracts appointed herein. In the event sports and/or activities are reduced, the athletic and non-athletic contracts approved herein shall be paid a pro-rata amount of the stipends herein based on the percentage of the season/activity that was held and students participated. The decision to cancel and/or discontinue the activities or sports season shall be at the exclusive discretion of the administration based, in part, on guidance from the Center for Disease Control, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, other health agencies, and student participation in such activities.

	Name	Sport	Position	Salary
1.	Elaine Cucci	Football	Ticket Staff	\$36.00 per event
2.	Erin Tortora	Football	Ticket Staff	\$36.00 per event
3.	Jackie Tortora	Football	Ticket Staff	\$36.00 per event
4.	Perry Tortora	Football	Ticket Staff	\$36.00 per event

Approval of Addendum item #9.E. – Athletic Volunteer:

	Name	Sport
1.	Melissa Bruckman	Volleyball

Approval of Addendum item #9.F. – Resignations:

	Name	Position	Effective Date
1.	Augie Kresge	Fall Event Manager Volleyball Message Board Operator	July 11, 2022

ROLL CALL: 7-0 CARRIED  
 Abstained on Addendum item #9.F.1.: Mr. Kresge 6-0-1 (Abstention form attached)

Agenda item #9.G. – Informational: Professional Staff Building Transfers for 2022-2023 School Year:

1.	Name:	Kelsey DeLuise
	Current Building:	PVIS
	New Building:	PVES
2.	Name:	Todd Urland
	Current Building:	PVES
	New Building:	PVIS

**CURRICULUM & STAFF DEVELOPMENT: Dr. Rae Lin Howard/Dr. Susan Mowrer Benda-**  
 Ms. Greggo motioned, seconded by Mrs. Jecker to approve Agenda item #10.A. – Curriculum & Staff Development items:

Approval of Agenda item #10.B. – Updated 2022-2023 Health & Safety Plan.

Agenda item #10.C – REMOVED

Approval of Agenda item #10.D. – Comprehensive Plan 2022-2025.

Approval of Agenda item #10.E. – 2021-2024 Special Education Plan.

Approval of Agenda item #10.F. – PA Principals Association 2022 Educational Leadership Summit: Approval of four administrators, Roger Pomposello, Sabrina Albright, Jonathan Ayre, Brian Boylan, to attend the overnight conference in Lancaster, PA on August 7-9, 2022 at a cost to include conference registration fees of \$339.00 each; hotel accommodations of \$1,422.20, meals and mileage.

Approval of Agenda item #10.G. – Field Trip:

1.	Organization/Grade	Leo Club
	Teacher(s) Involved	Elizabeth Gesualdi
	Destination	Hershey Lodge
	Purpose	Mini-Thon Presentations
	Date(s)	August 5, 2022
	District Buses Needed (#)	One
	Cost per Student	0
	Cost for District	\$770.25 (to be paid by Leo Club)

ROLL CALL: 7-0 CARRIED

Agenda item #10.H. – Informational: Book List

Mrs. Jecker commented about the list of inappropriate library books brought up by parents and expressed concern that the list was not on the agenda for the community to review. Mr. Galler concurred with Mrs. Jecker’s concerns. Mrs. Hagerman explained the process of selection of books and the Library Bill of Rights as well as the vetting process. She also referred to Policy 109 and attached administrative regulations. Discussion was held about the process and transparency. Mrs. Kresge stated that the list can be found on our website.

**OPERATIONS SERVICES: Mr. William Gasper** – No report.

**BUSINESS MANAGEMENT: Dr. Rae Lin Howard**

Mr. Burger motioned, seconded by Ms. Greggo to approve Agenda item #12.A. – Business Management Items:

Approval of Agenda item #12.B. – Cafeteria Fund – Asset Cost Summary – June 2022, per attached.

Approval of Agenda item #12.C. – The following Contracts:

1. AFP Industries Inc - Purchase of thirty (30) TI-89 Titanium Graphing Calculators for Higher-Level Math and Science, and six (6) TI-84 Plus EZ Spot Graphing Calculators (Teacher Pack of 10) to be paid using ESSER II Funds - Total Cost: \$10,201.50
2. Rachel's Challenge - Anti-Bully Event Program, event dates 10/17/2022 - 10/20/2022 to be paid with Title IV Funds - Total Cost: \$17,600.00 \*Subject to Solicitor review, revision and approval.
3. Transfinder - Routing and Scheduling Software License - Initial Startup with One year License - \$56,390.00 and 2nd year \$4,250.00 \*Subject to Solicitor review, revision and approval.
4. Transfinder - Route Efficiency Report - Cost: \$8,000.00
5. The Harrison Group, Inc. TPA - Flexible Spending Account Administration - \$4.00 per participant per month, plus initial Set up fee \$350.00 and Testing Fee \$175.00. \*Subject to Solicitor review, revision and approval.
6. CDW - Purchase of four (4) Elmo TT-12F Document Cameras to be paid using ESSER II Funds. Total Cost: \$3,756.24
7. Colonial Intermediate Unit #20 & Sweet, Stevens, Katz & Williams - to provide proactive strategies. training and procedures to help stop potential problems or liability that comes with new technology in the digital age.
8. Colonial Intermediate Unit #20 and Pleasant Valley School District. Alternate and Regular Education Transportation Contract for School Year 2022-2023. The cost of said service is projected to be \$2.97 per mile, for each student transported. The cost will increase or decrease depending on variations in number of students and miles transported throughout 2022-2023
9. Johnson Controls - Provide and install eight (8) Halo Sensors to be paid with ESSER II funds - Total Cost 12,975.05

Approval of Agenda item #12.D. – Payment from the 2018 Bond Fund - \$520.00.

Approval of Agenda item #12.E. – Letter of Agreement for Title I Services with Colonial Intermediate Unit #20. Agreement shall commence on August 29, 2022 and terminate on June 1, 2023 or the last student day of the 2022-2023 Pleasant Valley School District school year. Cost: \$15,554.00 for instructional services; \$162.00 for Parent and Family Engagement Service; 3% of instructional cost for Administrative Services. Subject to Solicitor review, revision and approval.

Approval of Agenda item #12.F. – Bid Award – Interactive Projectors – Purchase from CDW two hundred eighty-five (285) Epson BrightLink 735Fi 1080p 3LCD Interactive Laser Display Projectors plus the cost of mounting hardware and cabling - \$1,886.91 per unit. Total Bid Cost \$539,656.26 to be paid with ESSER III Funds.

Approval of Agenda item #12.G. – Bid Award – Touchscreen Chromebooks – Purchase from Trafera three hundred eighteen (318) HP X360 11 G3 EE Touchscreen Chromebook plus licenses and warranty - \$331.00 per unit. Total Bid Cost \$105,258.00 to be paid with ESSER III Funds.

Approval of Agenda item #12.H. – 2021 Senior Citizens Rebate Extension – Extend the filing deadline for the 2021 Seniors Citizen Property Tax Rebate to December 31, 2022.

Approval of Agenda item #12.I. – Student Placement:

- Student #22-23-C-1 - Cornell Abraxas/Arlene Lissner - Effective 7/1/2022
- Student #22-23-B-2 - Belmont New Oaks Academy - Effective 5/23/2022

ROLL CALL: 7-0 CARRIED

Agenda item #12.J. – Informational: Student Fundraiser Report.

Agenda item #12.K. – Informational: Student Activities Account.

Agenda item #12.L. - Informational: District Investment Report.

**ADDENDUM – BUSINESS MANAGEMENT: Dr. Rae Lin Howard**

Mr. Kresge motioned, seconded by Mrs. Serfass to approve Addendum item # 13.A. – Business Management Addendum items:

Approval of Addendum item #13.B. – The following contracts:

1. Renaissance - Star Reading Renewal for PVE, PVHS, PVIS - Terms: 7/1/22 - 6/30/23 - Total Cost: \$25,000.00
2. PA Treatment and Healing Agreement for Services for 2022-2022 School Year. Cost: Not to exceed \$105/day
3. Colonial Intermediate Unit #20 - Total costs not to exceed \$2,264.40 to provide an associate teacher for direct, one-on-one services for a student attending the Extending School Year Program at the Colonial Academy. This contract will be in effect from July 12, 2022 through July 28, 2022.
4. Colonial Intermediate Unit #20 - To provide the following web-based curriculum licenses. Symbolstix License cost: \$141.90 per license for 5 licenses, Total: \$709.50. Unique Learning license cost: \$640.46 per license, for 5 licenses, Total \$3202.30. Shall not exceed \$3,911.80 and is in effect for the 2022-2023 school year.
5. Colonial Intermediate Unit #20 - Cost: Provide and bill directly for Child Find evaluations for the 2022-2023 school year. Rates of services are as follows:
  - a. Adaptive Physical Education - \$85.39/hour
  - b. Alternative Augmentative Communication (MC) Evaluation - 748.00/evaluation
  - c. Educational Audiology Services - \$269.98/hour
  - d. Feeding Team Evaluation - \$1,200.00/evaluation
  - e. Itinerant Hearing Support - \$180.41/hour
  - f. Itinerant Vision Support - \$317.33/hour
  - g. Occupational Therapy - \$136.93/hour
  - h. Orientation and Mobility Services - \$317.33/hour
  - i. Physical Therapy - \$157.39/hour
  - j. Psychological Services - \$133.08/hour
  - k. Speech and Language Support - \$134.36/hour.
6. Colonial Intermediate Unit #20 - Secure an LPN or RN to administer medication for Pleasant Valley School District students while attending Community Based Instruction and/or field trips. Cost: \$58.00 per hour for LPN or RN. Effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
7. Colonial Intermediate Unit #20 - Will provide psychiatric evaluations as requested for the 2022-2023 school year. Rates of services are as follows:
  - a. Psychiatric Evaluation - \$313.61
  - b. Psychiatric Amendment - \$125.44
  - c. Fee for No Show Appointment - \$125.44
  - d. Fee for Cancellation - Less than 48 Hours' Notice - \$125.44
8. Colonial Intermediate Unit #20 - to provide a sign language interpreting service at the Pleasant Valley School District. Cost is \$56.31 per hour per student for the 2022-2023 school year.
9. Colonial Intermediate Unit #20 - Cost: \$6.39 per month, for 12 months, not to exceed \$76.68, plus a fee of \$1.21 per minute for interpreting services in collaboration with Transperfect. Effective for the 2022-2023 school year.



10. Colonial Intermediate Unit #20 - Cost: Total costs shall not exceed \$452,880.00. Multiple associate teachers for direct, one-on-one services. Effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
11. Colonial Intermediate Unit #20 - To provide one-on-one job coaching services. Includes transportation cost to/from home school district to training site, quarterly report cards and IEP input(s) - Cost: \$55.83 per hour for 612 hours, not to exceed \$34,167.96 Effective for the 2022-2023 school year.

Approval of Addendum item #13.C. – Student Placement:

- Student #22-23-D-3 - Devereux - CIDDS - Effective 7/1/2022
- Student #22-23-D-4 - Devereux - CIDDS - Effective 7/1/2022
- Student #22-23-D-5 - Devereux - CIDDS - Effective 7/1/2022

ROLL CALL: 7-0 CARRIED

Agenda item #13.D. – Informational: ESSER Fund Allocations – The Following items are to be purchased with ESSER II or ESSER III Funds:

1. Amazon.com - To purchase ten (10) Welding Curtains, 6 ft x 6 ft Orange @ \$42.25 each - Total Cost: \$422.40 to be paid with using ESSER II Funds.
2. Amazon.com - To purchase one (1) High-Volume Commercial Electric Pencil Sharpener - Total Cost: \$182.10 to be paid with using ESSER II Funds.
3. Read Naturally - Read Naturally Program - Total Cost: \$3,415.50 to be paid with ESSER II Funds.
4. Winsor Learning - Sonday System Intervention Set and Let's Play Learn - Total Cost: \$6,298.00 to be paid with ESSER III Funds.

**SOLICITOR: Mark Fitzgerald, Esq. – No report.**

Dr. Konrad addressed concerns about the band and stated that it is our intention to fully participate in band competitions. He addressed the obligation of individuals receiving additional compensation by way of a stipend to continue to provide excellent opportunities for our students and encouraged employees as well as parents to have conversations with him about their concerns. Mrs. Kresge questioned if this issue of band competitions was because of the movement between buildings for Mr. DeVivo. Dr. Howard reviewed Mr. DeVivo's schedule and responsibilities and also stated that band competitions are included as a supplemental position for which nothing has changed.

**PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DIRECTORS: None.**

**PLEASANT VALLEY CITIZENS – Agenda items/Non-Agenda items:**

Lynette Possinger, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern about open communication; salary increases. She expressed her opinion and concern about Mr. DeVivo's schedule and responsibility and shared her son's positive experiences with being part of the band.

Danielle Serfass, Eldred Township, expressed her opinion and concern about the band competitions and the band truck.

Ann Gravel, Polk Township, expressed her concern about inappropriate materials in our school and read parts of the book she was referring to.

Desiree Murray, Chestnuthill Township, commented on trainings for SEL for paraprofessionals; the Comprehensive Plan and inclusion. She expressed support for paraprofessionals.

Richanna Russ, Eldred Township, expressed concern about inappropriate books in the library; educational ratings. She questioned status of the hiring of a middle school soccer coach.

**Zoom Participants:**

Mercedes Reed, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern about masks; inappropriate material in libraries; SEL and parent choice; Iready program; certain individuals on the Steering Committee.

Ron Reynolds, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern about the Iready program in the area of mathematics.

Brenda Mitchell, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern about the band issues discussed concerning Mr. DeVivo, band competitions and the positive impact on students being part of the band.

Fernando Velez, Chestnuthill Township, questioned non-public school scholarships/grants. Mrs. Kresge asked him to call administration for help.

Mercedes Reed, Chestnuthill Township, questioned reconsideration of steering committee members; having a debate group in the middle and high school; security upgrades; plan to bring cyber school students back; starting a community group to have questions answered.

Ron Reynolds, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern about the Iready program; SEL and parents' choice; starting an advisory committee.

Karen Hope, Chestnuthill Township, questioned organization that provided book list to Mrs. Jecker; expressed her opinion about library books and personal choices; and SEL.

Participants in attendance:

Janet Dooner, Polk Township, expressed concerns about the band competitions; vaccinations; masks; and St. Luke's and other organizations' recommendations.

End of public comment.

Dr. Konrad addressed concerns about masks and vaccinations and reiterated that nothing has changed in this regard. He also stated that nothing has changed with the band in terms of the number of courses being taught and addressed the replacement needed when the PVI individual left the District. Dr. Konrad also stated that he will look into the status of the hiring of a soccer coach and addressed the concerns about the Iready program encouraging the continuation of dialogue about this and other concerns.

With regard to transportation, Dr. Konrad stated that everything will be kept as is to ensure a smooth opening. He informed all about meetings that Mr. Simonetta has had with Transfinder to purchase software to work on routing ourselves in the future. He congratulated Izabela Baran who placed 6<sup>th</sup> in Journalism at the 2022 FBLA National Leadership Conference in Chicago and that she will be a senior and vice president of the FBLA this year. He said that FBLA is in the top 1% in the nation for National Champion Chapter and a Gold Seal Chapter nationally and in Pennsylvania. He also congratulated FBLA Advisor, Mrs. Hopely and all FBLA students.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Galler motioned, seconded by Mr. Kresge to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 PM.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen M. Franklin, Assistant Board Secretary

Debra L. Duff, Board Recorder

Next regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting:  
August 11, 2022 @ 7:00 PM