

# PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Brodheadsville, PA 18322

Minutes of the February 10, 2022  
Board of Education Meeting

**Board Approved 2-24-2022**

## **CALL TO ORDER:**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Pleasant Valley School District Board of Education was held on February 10, 2022 and called to order by President Sue Kresge at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Dennis Virga, followed by a moment of silence. The meeting was held in the Pleasant Valley High School Auditorium, Route 209, 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, Ms. Diane Serfass, Ms. Melanie Zipp, Mr. Delbert Zacharias.

**Administrative staff in attendance:** Dr. James Konrad, Superintendent, Dr. Rae Lin Howard, Assistant Superintendent, Mr. Michael Simonetta, Business Manager, Mrs. Tammy Smale, Assistant Business Manager, Ms. Marcia Taylor, Accountant, Dr. Susan Mowrer Benda, Director of Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment, Mr. Bill Gasper, Director of Operations, Ms. Lynn Courtright, Chief of Security, Mr. Chuck Tomori, Technology Coordinator, Mr. Michael McMullen, Special Education Supervisor, Ms. Julie Harris, Director of Special Education.

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

## **Notification of Executive Session:**

President Sue Kresge announced that an executive session was held on February 10, 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.

## **2022-2023 Monroe Career & Technical Institute Budget Presentation – Mr. Dennis Virga**

MCTI Director Dennis Virga provided a PowerPoint presentation broken into two parts – Operating Budget and Capital Improvement. The presentation included review of the funding formula, enrollment county percentage and enrollment district percentage (grades 10-12) with PV having the largest percentage. In addition, expenditure and revenue numbers were reviewed. Mr. Virga stated that Pleasant Valley's share is approximately \$1.65 million. Mrs. Kresge stated that the budget will be placed on the agenda for approval in two weeks. The budget presentation is attached hereto. Mr. Virga also provided information on capital improvements completed and upcoming. He reviewed plans for the proposed MCTI Conference Center including options to fund the project – Option A-excess revenue and Option B-grant funding. Mr. Kresge, Mr. Burger, and Mrs. Kresge all expressed concern about using excess funds. Mrs. Kresge also questioned the vocational subsidy which Mr. Simonetta addressed. Mrs. Jecker expressed concern about how the project will affect potential plans for an all-day program. Mr. Galler suggested that a rehabilitation area be planned for future programming. Mrs. Kresge thanked all who attended the Skills USA event and expressed support for MCTI students.

President Sue Kresge announced an amendment to the Agenda adding Agenda item #8.G. – Hiring of Laura Nelson as Coordinator of Child Accounting effective February 14, 2022 at the prorated salary of \$55,000. She stated that Ms. Nelson's position in accounts payable will not be replaced.

President Sue Kresge announced the meeting procedures and provided an opportunity for public comment on agenda items only.

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

Mary Ellen Altman, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern about a potential teacher strike and was advised she could address her concerns at the second public comment portion on the agenda.

Linda Zak, Ross Township, expressed concern about books to be discarded; and the proposed retirement incentive.

Leia Leuthardt, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concerns and opinions about discarding library books and certain books being inappropriate.

Ron Reynolds, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern about certain line items contained in the accounts payable.

End of public comment

**SECRETARY'S REPORT: Mrs. Tammy Smale, Board Secretary**

Mr. Burger motioned, seconded by Mr. Kresge to approve the minutes of the Board of Education Meeting held on January 27, 2022; to approve the Board Meeting Agenda of February 10, 2022 including the addition of Agenda item #8.G. – Hiring of Coordinator of Child Accounting.

VOICE VOTE: 9-0 CARRIED

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

Mr. Kresge motioned, seconded by Mr. Zacharias to approve Agenda item #3.A. – Accounts Payable, and Agenda item #3.E. – Financial Statements for January 2022, as attached:  
Approval of Agenda item #3.B. – Manual Checks January 1, 2022 through January 31, 2022  
Approval of Agenda item #3.C. – Manual Checks January 1, 2022 through January 31, 2022 - PSDLAF  
Approval of Agenda item #3.D. – Accounts Payable February 10, 2022  
Approval of Agenda item #3.F. – Trial Balance/Financial Statement January 2022  
Approval of Agenda item #3.G. – Asset Cost Summary January 2022  
Approval of Agenda item #3.H. – Condensed Board Summary II/Expenditures and Revenues January 2022

ROLL CALL: 9-0 CARRIED

Agenda item #3.I. - The Accounts Payable approved at the January 27, 2022 Board of Education meeting was attached to the agenda for informational purposes.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Solicitor: Mark Fitzgerald, Esq.** – Mr. Fitzgerald stated that negotiations with PVEA are ongoing and meetings were held on January 26<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup>, and February 9<sup>th</sup>. The next meeting is scheduled for February 11<sup>th</sup> with the Association.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Monroe Career & Technical Institute: Mr. Todd Kresge** – An informational report was provided. Mr. Kresge reported that the meeting was held on February 7<sup>th</sup> and provided information as reported by Student Representative PV Junior Kylie Howe including the District 7 DECA competition recognizing PV students with 4<sup>th</sup> place wins: Starrlene Herrers, A'lysa Miranda and Ariana Manwiller and Kylie Howe who will be competing at states; congratulations to Senior Rebecca Penny for placing first at the SkillsUSA District pin competition. Mr. Kresge recognized and congratulated students who participated in the SkillsUSA District Competition: 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Samantha Weddermann, Angela Orach, Gerrard Protasewicz; 2<sup>nd</sup> place – Lauren Klinger, Brian Rogers, Carson Beers; 1<sup>st</sup> place and going to states – Eileen Murjani, Andrew Turpin Patryk Kosmulski, Seth Johnson. He thanked all that attended the SkillsUSA competition.

**Colonial IU20: Mr. Michael Galler** – An informational report was provided.

**PSBA Legislative Liaison Report: Mrs. Melanie Zipp** – An informational report was provided.

**Education Committee: Mrs. Sue Kresge** – Mrs. Kresge stated that a line item for the Education Committee will be included on the Operations meeting agenda.

**Finance Committee: Mr. Norm Burger** – Mr. Burger stated that meetings are ongoing to discuss the budget and entertain a variety of topics to see if it can be trimmed and reduce potential deficit.

**Athletic Committee: Ms. Teresa Greggo** – An informational report was provided. Ms. Greggo provided information from St Luke's related to a supplemental nutrition program for our athletes. She said this is preliminary as to whether we want to pursue the program. Discussion was held and Mrs. Jecker expressed concern about spending funds considering the financial situation and suggested the possibility of using our cafeteria and not St. Luke's when considering this program. Mr. Galler stated that he cannot support this program and expressed that it should be an opportunity for all students and not an exclusive group. He

also expressed concern about our financial situation at this time. Mr. Burger stated that no action should be taken until our financial affairs are in order. It was agreed by all Board members to hold off on this issue.

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

**West End Park and Open Space Commission: Ms. Melanie Zipp** – An informational report was provided. Ms. Zipp highlighted the Fleetwood Scholarships to deserving PVHS graduates.

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

**Budget Presentation:** Business Manager Michael Simonetta, provided a preliminary budget update for 2022-2023 including the process status, budget assumptions, revenue/ expenditure summary, tax impact scenarios, and fund balance review. Budget presentations will be held at future meetings with the proposed budget adoption by April 21<sup>st</sup> or May 12, 2022 (PDE deadline is May 31, 2022); final adoption by June 9<sup>th</sup> or June 23, 2022 (PDE deadline is June 30, 2022). The budget presentation is attached hereto. Mrs. Kresge requested a breakdown of the revenues/expenditures and questioned the percentage of returning students to PV budgeted at 60% but 40% returned. Mr. Galler expressed concern about the deficit.

Mr. Burger motioned, seconded by Mrs. Zipp to approve Agenda item #6.A. –Superintendent Items:

Approval of Agenda item #6.B. – Final Reading of Policy No. 808 Food Services.

Approval of Agenda item #6.C. – Agreements of Expulsion:

1. Student #E01312213-H
2. Student #E02022214-H

Approval of Agenda item #6.D. – Homebound Instruction: Per Board policy, reevaluation will be done in ninety (90) days.

Pleasant Valley High School:

Student No.	Reason
HB02082206-H	Medical, retroactive to 2/8/2022

ROLL CALL: 9-0 CARRIED

**HUMAN RESOURCES: Mr. Michael Simonetta**

Ms. Greggo motioned, seconded by Mrs. Jecker to approve Agenda item #7.A. - Personnel Items:

Approval of Agenda item #7.B. – Hiring of Professional Staff – Long Term Substitutes (pending receipt of required paperwork):

1.	Name:	Bethany Long
	Position:	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher
	Building:	PVES
	Education Level:	BS: Elementary Education
	Undergraduate School:	East Stroudsburg University
	Certificate:	Instructional I: Elementary K-6
	Experience:	2011 – present: Pleasant Valley School District, Substitute Teacher 2012-2020: Colonial Intermediate Unit 20, Substitute Teacher 2011-2020: Palmerton Area School District, Substitute Teacher
	Salary:	B, Step 1: \$45,067 (prorated)
	Effective Date:	on or about February 4, 2022 – on or about May 4, 2022
2.	Name:	Corissa Cohen
	Position:	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade Teacher
	Building:	PVES
	Education Level:	BS: Early Childhood Education
	Undergraduate School:	East Stroudsburg University
	Certificate:	Instructional I: Grades PK-4
	Experience:	2021-present: Matrix Behavior Solutions LLC, Behavioral Health Teacher
	Salary:	B, Step 1: \$45,067 (prorated)
	Effective Date:	TBD

Approval of Agenda item #7.C. – Hiring of Support Staff Substitutes (pending receipt of required paperwork):

1.	Name:	Kyle Earling
	Position:	Substitute Custodian Substitute Courier
	Salary:	\$10.38 per hour (custodian) \$9.15 per hour (courier)
	Effective Date:	TBD
2.	Name:	Sunshine Pugh
	Position:	Substitute Custodian Substitute Courier
	Salary:	\$10.38 per hour (custodian) \$9.15 per hour (courier)
	Effective Date:	TBD

Approval of Agenda item #7.D. – Change to Current Assignment:

1.	Name:	Michael Borger
	Current Position:	Maintenance Technician
	New Position:	Head of Maintenance
	Salary:	\$26.03 per hour
	Effective Date:	February 7, 2022
	Replace:	Randy Smale
2.	Name:	William Mingle
	Current Building:	PVHS
	Current Position:	Custodian
	New Building:	PVES
	New Position:	Head Custodian
	Salary:	\$20.84 per hour
	Effective Date:	February 14, 2022
	Replace:	Elvin Mercado

Approval of Agenda item #7.E. – Tenure – The following professional staff has served Pleasant Valley School District for three (3) years and has been rated satisfactory. By the provisions of the PA School Code, the following individual is recommended for tenure: Candice Bustos.

Approval of Agenda item #7.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.

	Name	Sport	Position	Level	Salary
1.	Michael Walters	Baseball	Jr. High Assistant	1	\$3,400.00
2.	Scott Castone	Baseball	JV Assistant	4	\$4,950.00
3.	Ethan Miller	Track and Field	Varsity Assistant	1	\$4,550.00
4.	Lauren Black	Track and Field	Jr. High Assistant	1	\$3,400.00

Approval of Agenda item #7.G. – 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

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	<b>Name</b>	<b>Sport</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Salary</b>
1.	Ryan O'Keefe		Substitute Event Worker	
2.	John Gesiskie	Track and Field	Varsity Judge	\$35.00
3.	John Gesiskie	Track and Field	Varsity Timer	\$35.00
4.	John Gesiskie	Track and Field	Jr. High Judge	\$35.00
5.	Diane DeBarry	Track and Field	Varsity Judge	\$35.00
6.	Diane DeBarry	Track and Field	Jr. High Judge	\$35.00
7.	Dan Frable	Softball	JV Scorebook/Scorekeeper	\$30.00
8.	Steve Krechel	Softball	Varsity Scorebook/Scorekeeper	\$40.00
9.	Michael Ditty	Softball	Jr. High Scorebook/Scorekeeper	\$25.00
10.	Andrew Krock		Substitute Event Worker	

Approval of Agenda item #7.H. – Athletic Volunteer:

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Sport</b>
1.	Jeff Kaye	Boys Lacrosse

Approval of Agenda item #7.I. – Long Term Substantial Volunteer:

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Building</b>
1.	Mark Folio	PVES

Approval of Agenda item #7.J. – Family and Medical Leave:

1.	Employee ID:	3426
	Position:	Paraprofessional Associate
	Building:	PVIS
	Number of Days:	Ten (10)
	Dates:	January 31, 2022 – February 11, 2022
2.	Employee ID:	3789
	Position:	Custodian
	Building:	PVIS
	Number of Days:	Thirty (30)
	Dates:	January 18, 2022 – February 28, 2022
3.	Employee ID:	1843
	Position:	Paraprofessional Associate
	Building:	PVMS
	Number of Days:	Twenty-seven and one-half (27½)
	Dates:	January 3, 2022 – February 9, 2022
4.	Employee ID:	1855
	Position:	Teacher
	Building:	PVHS
	Number of Days:	One (1)
	Dates:	January 20, 2022
5.	Employee ID:	2521
	Position:	Paraprofessional Associate
	Building:	PVHS
	Number of Days:	Forty-three (43)
	Dates:	March 10, 2022 – May 11, 2022

Approval of Agenda item #7.K. – Family and Medical Leave: Date Correction:

1.	Employee ID:	4635
	Previously Approved:	December 16, 2021
	Dates Approved:	January 3, 2022 – February 28, 2022
	Correct Dates:	January 3, 2022 – February 4, 2022

Approval of Agenda item #7.L. – Leave Without Pay:

1.	Name:	Janet Dooner
	Position:	Monitor
	Building:	PVHS

	Number of Days:	Two and one-half (2½)
	Dates:	January 4, 2022 (½) – January 6, 2022
2.	Name:	Brian Mucklin
	Position:	Security
	Building:	District
	Number of Days:	One (1)
	Dates:	January 17, 2022
3.	Name:	MiChelle Palmer
	Position:	Monitor
	Building:	PVES
	Number of Days:	Four (4)
	Dates:	December 21, 2021 and April 11, 2022 – April 13, 2022
4.	Name:	Robyn Rothrock
	Position:	Food Service Employee
	Building:	PVES
	Number of Days:	One (1)
	Dates:	December 21, 2021
5.	Name:	Jodi Swanson
	Position:	Monitor
	Building:	PVIS
	Number of Days:	Five and one-half (5½)
	Dates:	January 3, 2022 (½) – January 11, 2022
6.	Name:	Dolores Walsh
	Position:	Monitor
	Building:	PVHS
	Number of Days:	Five (5)
	Dates:	December 10, 2021, December 21, 2021 and January 19, 2022 – January 21, 2022

Approval of Agenda item #7.M. – Resignations:

	Name	Position	Building	Effective Date
1.	Dawn Cottee	Food Service Employee	PVES	January 17, 2022
2.	Randy Smale	Maintenance Technician	District	February 4, 2022
3.	Jessica Tomon	Director of Human Resources	District	January 24, 2022
4.	Tom Toth	Director of Athletics and Activities	District	TBD
5.	Christopher Curtis	Student Government Advisor Class of 2025 Advisor Assistant Varsity Track & Field Coach	PVHS	January 31, 2022

ROLL CALL: 9-0 CARRIED

**ADDENDUM – HUMAN RESOURCES: Mr. Michael Simonetta**

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

Approval of Addendum item #8.B. – Hiring of Support Staff (pending receipt of required paperwork):

1.	Name:	Denise Doering
	Position:	Food Service Employee
	Building:	PVES
	Salary:	\$12.20 per hour
	Effective Date:	February 14, 2022
	Replace:	Dawn Cottee
2.	Name:	Lynn Palmese
	Position:	Food Service Employee
	Building:	PVIS
	Salary:	\$12.20 per hour
	Effective Date:	TBD
	Replace:	Lidia Osman (due to change of assignment)
3.	Name:	Abigail Rodriguez
	Position:	Food Service Employee
	Building:	PVMS
	Salary:	\$12.20 per hour

	Effective Date:	TBD
	Replace:	Gabby Bentley (due to change of assignment)

Approval of Addendum item #8.C. – Hiring of Support Staff Substitutes (pending receipt of required paperwork):

1.	Name:	Brianna DePaul
	Position:	Substitute Food Service Employee
	Salary:	\$10.14 per hour
	Effective Date:	TBD

Approval of Addendum item #8.D. – Family and Medical Leave:

1.	Employee ID:	3372
	Position:	Teacher
	Building:	PVHS
	Number of Days:	Two (2)
	Dates:	January 24, 2022 and January 27, 2022
2.	Employee ID:	4176
	Position:	Paraprofessional Associate
	Building:	PVES
	Number of Days:	Three (3)
	Dates:	February 24, 2022 – February 28, 2022

Approval of Addendum item #8.E. – Family and Medical Leave – Date Correction:

1.	Employee ID:	782
	Previously Approved:	December 16, 2021
	Dates Approved:	October 11, 2021 – October 13, 2021; October 14, 2021 (½); October 19, 2021; October 21, 2021 (½); October 26, 2021 (½); October 26, 2021 (½); November 4, 2021; November 11, 2021 (½); November 16, 2021 – November 17, 2021 and November 19, 2021 (½)
	Correct Dates:	October 11, 2021 – October 13, 2021; October 14, 2021 (½); October 19, 2021; October 21, 2021 (½); October 26, 2021 (½); October 28, 2021 (½); November 4, 2021; November 11, 2021 (½); November 16, 2021 – November 17, 2021 and November 19, 2021 (½)

Approval of Addendum item #8.F. – Memorandum of Understanding: Conditional Retirement Incentive as provided.

Approval of Addendum item #8.G. – Hiring of Coordinator of Child Accounting: Lauren Nelson at a prorated salary of \$55,000 with a start date of February 14, 2022.

ROLL CALL: 9-0 CARRIED

Mrs. Jecker provided an explanation of the Memorandum of Understanding stating that individuals interested must have a certain number of years of service and it helps with funding for salaries as well as reducing potential furloughing.

**CURRICULUM/STAFF DEVELOPMENT: Dr. Rae Lin Howard/Dr. Susan Mowrer Benda**

Ms. Greggo motioned, seconded by Mrs. Serfass to approve Agenda item #9.A. – Curriculum/Staff Development Items:

Approval of Agenda item #9.B. – Field Trip:

A.	Organization/Grade	FBLA
	Teacher(s) Involved	Denise Hopely
	Destination	Harrisburg Capitol Building
	Purpose	Cross Curricular citations; Community Service Recognition
	Date(s)	03/29/2022
	District Buses Needed (#)	None (Bus to be provided by Senator Mario Scavello)
	Cost Per Student	\$0
	Cost for District	\$0
B.	Organization/Grade	MS NJHS (National Junior Honor Society)
	Teacher(s) Involved	Kathy Dekmar
	Destination	Harrisburg Capitol Building
	Purpose	To observe state government and tour the Capitol
	Date(s)	03/29/2022 (Originally Board Approved 1/13/2022 for 2/8/2022, date changed)
	District Buses Needed (#)	None (Bus to be provided by Senator Mario Scavello)

	Cost Per Student	\$0
	Cost for District	\$0

Approval of Agenda item #9.C. – PVI Library Discard List as provided.

ROLL CALL: 9-0 CARRIED

**SPECIAL EDUCATION: Ms. Julie Harris** – No report.

**OPERATIONS SERVICES: Mr. William Gasper** –

Mr. Kresge motioned, seconded by Mrs. Serfass to approve Agenda item #11. – Operations Items:

Approval of Agenda item #11.A. – Facility Usage Requests:

A.	Organization	Girls on the Run
	Facility Requested	PVI outside run/walking area, PVI Gym (weather location)
	Purpose	Running/walking program
	Dates/Times	March 14, 2022 through May 23, 2022 Monday's & Wednesday's 4:00 pm-5:45 pm March Dates: 14, 16, 21, 23, 28, 30 April Dates: 4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20, 25, 27 May Dates: 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23
	Requestor	Alison Fennel
	Attendance	25
	Tuition	N/A
	Fee by District	Class 3- All Appropriate Fees Apply
B.	Organization	PV Bruins Wrestling
	Facility Requested	PVE Cafeteria
	Purpose	Banquet
	Dates/Times	Friday, March 11, 2022 - 4:30 pm - 9:00 pm
	Requestor	Trisha Vanderah
	Attendance	200
	Tuition	N/A
	Fee by District	Class 3- All Appropriate Fees Apply
C.	Organization	PV Bruins Wrestling
	Facility Requested	PVHS New Gym, New Gym Lobby, Concession
	Purpose	King of the Ridge Tournament
	Dates/Times	Saturday, February 19, 2022 - 6:30 pm-8:00 pm (Set up) Sunday, February 20, 2022 - 7:00 am - 2:00 pm
	Requestor	Trisha Vanderah
	Attendance	350
	Tuition	N/A
	Fee by District	Class 3- All Appropriate Fees Apply
D.	Organization	West End Little League
	Facility Requested	PVI and PVE Baseball and Softball Fields
	Purpose	Baseball and Softball practices / games
	Dates/Times	April 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022 Monday - Friday 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm April Dates: 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29 May Dates: 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 30, 31 June Dates: 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27, 28, 29, 30
	Requestor	Matt Birnbaum
	Attendance	45
	Tuition	N/A
	Fee by District	Class 3- All Appropriate Fees Apply
E.	Organization	West End Little League
	Facility Requested	PVI and PVE Baseball and Softball Fields
	Purpose	Baseball and Softball practices / games
	Dates/Times	April 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022 Saturday's & Sunday's 9:00 am – 6:00 pm



		April Dates: 2, 3, 9, 10, 16, 17, 23, 24, 30 May Dates: 1, 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28, 29 June Dates: 4, 5, 11, 12, 18, 19, 25, 26
	Requestor	Matt Birnbaum
	Attendance	45
	Tuition	N/A
	Fee by District	Class 3- All Appropriate Fees Apply
F.	Organization	American Cancer Society
	Facility Requested	PVHS Stadium, Concession, Field, New Gym
	Purpose	Relay For Life
	Dates/Times	Friday May 20, 2022 4pm - 10pm
	Requestor	Mike Hurley
	Attendance	500
	Tuition	N/A
	Fee by District	Class 3- All Appropriate Fees Apply

ROLL CALL: 9-0 CARRIED

**BUSINESS MANAGEMENT: Mr. Michael Simonetta**

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

Approval of Agenda item #12.B. – Cafeteria Fund, per attached.

1. Cafeteria Accounts Payable for February 10, 2022
2. Cafeteria Fund – Asset Cost Summary January 2022

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

1. Therapy Source - To provide therapy services such as Speech-Language Pathologist, Bi-Lingual Speech-Language, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, School Psychology, Behavioral Analyst, ABA Therapist, Special Education Teacher Services, ESL/ELL Teachers, Teacher of the Visually Impaired, Orientation & Mobility (O&M) Services, Teacher of the Hearing Impaired, Audiologist Services. Cost up to \$121.00 per hour based on services provided. Terms - January 24, 2022 - January 23, 2023.
2. IntegraOne - Barracuda Backup Server Yearly Subscription - Cost: \$5,814.00 - Terms: March 26, 2022 – March 25, 2023

Approval of Agenda item #12.D. – Extension of Gorman and Associates, P.C. as Auditors for the Pleasant Valley School District for the time period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024.:

Fees for Service Based on a Three-Year Contract:

	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
Audit Fee- School District	\$27,000.00	\$27,000.00	\$27,500.00
Single Audit Fee (If Required)	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,250.00
AFR Fee (If desired)	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Hourly Rate for additional Services	95.00	95.00	95.00

Approval of Agenda item #12.E. – Northampton/Monroe/Pike County Joint Purchasing Board for fuel items for the 2022-2023 school year:

Confirm the January 26, 2022 award of the Northampton/Monroe/Pike County Joint Purchasing Board for fuel items for the 2022-2023 School Year as listed below for Monroe County:

Item #28 - #2 Fuel Oil Truck Transport, Option 2, Fixed Differential with Firm Price Provisions at \$2.4976 per gallon, award to PAPCO, Inc., Aston, PA.

Item #31 - #2 Fuel Oil Tank Wagon, Option 2, Fixed Differential with Firm Price Provisions at \$2.8153 per gallon, award to PAPCO, Inc., Aston, PA.

Item #34 - Bio Diesel Truck Transport, Option 2, Fixed Differential with Firm Price Provisions at \$2.5737 per gallon plus \$0.0375 for Winter Blend Additive, and \$0.7500 for kerosene anti-gel additive, award to PAPCO, Inc., Aston, PA.

The bid tabulation was attached.

ROLL CALL: 9-0 CARRIED

Agenda item #12.F. – Informational: Student Activity Accounts:  
Beginning Balance: January 1, 2022: \$212,853.31  
Receipts: \$8,466.05  
Expenditures: (\$12,388.82)  
End Balance: January 31 2022: \$208,930.54

**ADDENDUM – BUSINESS MANAGEMENT: Mr. Michael Simonetta**

Mrs. Serfass motioned, seconded by Mrs. Jecker to approve Agenda item #13.A. – Business Management Addendum Items:

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

1. Frontline Education. Cost: \$28,418.14. Absence & Substitute Management, unlimited usage for internal employees. Effective 7/1/2022 to 6/30/2023.
2. Colonial Intermediate Unit #20 - To provide a Special Education teacher for homebound instruction. Cost is \$54.67 per hour for up to 5 hours per week plus mileage. Contract Term February 07, 2022 until end of the 2021-2022 school year.

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

**PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DIRECTORS:** None.

Dr. James Konrad acknowledged and expressed appreciation to Angela Borealo for stepping into the high school in the beginning of this school year to help Mrs. George. Ms. Borealo will now transition back to PVE as an assistant principal. Dr. Konrad thanked Tony and Carol DeBlass for their generous donation of binders for our curriculum department and expressed gratitude for community support. In addition, Dr. Konrad thanked Mr. Tomori for spearheading the revitalization of our district Facebook page.

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

Mary Ellen Altman, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern about a potential teacher strike; St. Luke’s program proposed; tax increase and the budget deficit; and the chess competition.

Linda Zak, Ross Township, expressed concern about the budget deficit and cost of out-of-district students.

Danielle Serfass, Eldred Township, expressed concern about the retirement incentive; negotiations; and a new club formed.

Nellie Gordon, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern and opinion about cyber school costs; and the St. Luke’s program proposed.

Kassidy Shupp, Polk Township, expressed gratitude to teachers and concern about a potential teacher’s strike.

Dominic Roberti, Eldred Township, expressed concern about the retirement incentive and potential teacher strike.

Alice Wheelis, Ross Township, expressed concern about a potential teacher strike.

Shazada Martinez, Chestnuthill Township, expressed support for teachers and concern about online programs; negotiations; and potential teacher strike.

Fela Olaniyan, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern about a potential teacher strike.

Anthony Mazera, Chestnuthill Township, expressed his support for teachers; and expressed concern about ongoing negotiations.

Leia Leuthardt, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern and opinion about mask wearing on buses; and a potential teacher strike.

Abby Haberle, Polk Township, expressed concern and opinion about protocols for mask wearing and social distancing.

Ann Gravell, Polk Township, concern about the TAC club and opinions about the teacher profession.

Ron Reynolds, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern and opinion about diversity and inclusion; ethics and core values.

Richanra Russ, Eldred Township, expressed opinion about St. Luke's programs; inappropriate displays on masks; and PVI spelling bee.

Vanessa Winger, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern about teachers discussing a potential strike with students; and gender programs.

Francesca Zielkowski, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern about Zoom participants not being able to view who is speaking.

Natasha Canady, Polk Township, expressed concern about teaching styles; students expressing opinions about teachers; and the teacher profession.

Alex Gibb, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern about hateful speech and intolerance.

Isabella Altemose, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern about a potential teacher strike; and teacher performance on the job.

Dan Willis, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern about COVID protocols; budget deficit; cyber school costs.

Nellie Gordon, Chestnuthill Township, expressed opinion about the teacher profession; clubs; and negotiations.

Leigha McGlinch, Eldred Township, expressed opinion about learning and teaching practices; paraprofessional help for students' needs.

End of public comment.

Attorney Mark Fitzgerald clarified that the issuance of a strike notice by PVEA occurred about two months ago and prior to the newly constituted Board Negotiating Team had a chance to meet with the parties involved. In addition, he stated that the retirement incentive was requested by the Association. Mr. Fitzgerald also stated that both parties negotiating strive to gain trust to keep what occurs at the table stays at the table and ways to break the impasse are continuing.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Kresge motioned, seconded by Mr. Galler to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 PM.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Smale, Board Secretary

Debra L. Duff, Board Recorder

Next regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting:  
February 24, 2022 @ 7:00 PM