

PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Brodheadsville, PA 18322

Minutes of the September 24, 2020 Board of Education Meeting

Board Approved 10-8-2020

CALL TO ORDER:

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Pleasant Valley School District Board of Education was held on September 24, 2020 and called to order by President Donna Yozwiak at 7:10 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Dr. Lee Lesisko, followed by a moment of silence. The meeting was held virtually in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. Mrs. Yozwiak announced that this virtual meeting is being recorded.

Roll Call – School Board Recorder: Mrs. Debra Duff

School Board members in attendance: Donna Yozwiak, President, Todd Kresge, Teresa Greggo, Norm Burger, Laura Jecker, Treasurer, Delbert Zacharias, Sue Kresge, Len Peeters, Vice President, Dan Wunder.

Administrative staff in attendance: Lee Lesisko, Superintendent, Jessica Tomon, Director of Human Resources, Robert Mauro, Interim Assistant to the Superintendent, Susan Famularo, Business Manager, Bill Gasper, Director of Operations, Julie Harris, Director of Special Education, Susan Mowrer Benda, Director of Curriculum & Instruction.

Building Administrative staff in attendance: Matt Triolo, Roger Pomposello, Jason Van Voorhis, Todd Breiner.

School Solicitor in attendance: Mark Fitzgerald, Esq.

Notification of Executive Session: President Yozwiak announced that an executive session was held on September 24, 2020 immediately prior to the regularly scheduled meeting for purposes of legal issues, negotiations, personnel matters including, but not limited to, performance and/or discipline.

Student Council Representative: Emma Barrett, Vice President, provided an update on events and activities at the high school. She stated that the school reopening is going smoothly and all staff has made efforts to provide a well-rounded education. She provided information on the following:

- Joint senior night and homecoming court ceremony;
- Developments with student coding organization;
- Jaxon Havens received honors in the National Merit Scholarship Program;
- Class of 2024 elections;
- Student Council hosting Spirit month in lieu of spirit week having a theme for each week;
- Student Council hosting annual community Trick or Treat on October 31st redesigned to adhere to CDC guidelines.

Ms. Barrett thanked Dr. Lesisko and the Board of Education for allowing the continuation of events to be held.

President Yozwiak announced that the meeting procedures were attached to the agenda and posted online. She provided the opportunity for Pleasant Valley citizens to comment on agenda items with a three-minute time limit. Mrs. Yozwiak provided an overview of Policy 903 – Public Participation at Board Meetings which was attached to the agenda.

Pleasant Valley Citizens:

Christine Philhower, Kunkletown, expressed concern about PV Cyber Academy and was advised that she could speak on that issue at the second citizens' portion of the meeting where non-agenda items can be addressed.

Meredith Mead, Chestnuthill Township, spoke about public attendance at school events – Agenda item #6.A. Policy #904. She encouraged the Board to allow parents to attend events. She was advised by Attorney Fitzgerald that there will be a public comment period to speak on this issue.

Christine Higgins, Chestnuthill Township, commented on Policy #903 Public Participation at Board Meetings with regard to speaking on agenda items only.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Mrs. Susan Famularo, Board Secretary

Mr. Burger motioned, seconded by Mrs. Jecker to approve the minutes of the Board of Education Meeting held on September 10, 2020; and to approve the Board Meeting Agenda of September 24, 2020.

VOICE VOTE: 9-0 CARRIED

The Minutes of the Buildings & Grounds meeting held on September 15, 2020 were provided for informational purposes.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mrs. Laura Jecker

Mr. Peeters motioned, seconded by Mr. Burger to approve Agenda item #3.:
Approval of Agenda item #3.A. – Accounts Payable – September 24, 2020 as attached.

ROLL CALL: 9-0 CARRIED

Agenda item #3.B. - The Accounts Payable approved at the September 10, 2020 Board of Education meeting was attached to the agenda for informational purposes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Solicitor: Mark Fitzgerald, Esq. – Mr. Fitzgerald stated that there have been a lot of changes with regard to size limits for spectators at district events whether they be sporting events or events such as Board meetings. He said that as of tonight the District has authority to determine size limits for such events so long as it remains within CDC guidelines, the Health & Safety Plan of the District and any other guidelines of the Department of Health.

Mrs. Yozwiak asked Ms. Harris to give an update on measures that Pleasant Valley is taking to promote suicide prevention in our District. Ms. Harris stated that she has been in contact with St. Luke's for professional development for staff and virtual training for students on suicide prevention. She stated that she has sent resources to each building advocating for suicide prevention among other resources. In addition, Ms. Harris stated that she will be attending a meeting with the School and Education Suicide Prevention Awareness Subcommittee for Monroe County headed by MHDS.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mrs. Yozwiak stated that the Committee Reports were attached to the agenda for informational purposes. She stated that Ms. Greggo, Chairperson of the Athletic Committee wishes to comment in addition to her written report.

Ms. Greggo motioned, seconded by Mr. Zacharias to allow spectators to attend Pleasant Valley home sporting programs subject to be at or under 25% capacity including two passes per visiting player, subject to adherence with the District Health and Safety Plan and any modifications that may be made to the Plan by the administration, and subject to change depending on any further orders or directives from the Governor and/or the federal courts surrounding his Order.

Due to this item not being an agenda item, Mrs. Yozwiak provided an opportunity for Pleasant Valley citizens to comment.

Angela Hill, Polk Township, questioned if this would include band member parents. Mr. Fitzgerald clarified that the motion on the table is to defer to the administration to create specifics staying at or below the 25% capacity and is therefore subject to administration discretion following Board approval.

Meredith Mead, Chestnuthill Township, encouraged the Board to allow the home parents of all participants including at least one parent of players, band members, and cheerleaders to be able to be present. She also encouraged keeping groups together preferably on the home side of the stadium.

Anne Morton, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern about parents being present in the event of their child's injury and expressed her support for this motion. She encouraged the Board to vote in favor of it.

Lori Robinson, Chestnuthill Township, expressed that she is in favor of this motion and commented about parents being present in the event their child is injured. She also questioned the policy in the event a student is injured offsite.

There being no further public comments, the following action was taken:

ROLL CALL: 9-0 CARRIED

SUPERINTENDENT-REPORT/REQUESTS: Dr. Lee J. Lesisko

Dr. Lesisko provided a background to the PV Cyber Academy since its inception in 2007 averaging between 200 and 300 students per year. He stated that in mid-July the parent survey results indicated that only 288 students were slated to enroll in our Cyber Academy

but in actuality well over 1,000 sought to enroll and we had to modify our program in late August and September. He stated that over 800 cyber materials have been provided or are ready to be picked up and the students have been notified. A small number of additional students are in the process of being scheduled by our vendor and in most cases these were students who requested cyber in late August or September. Dr. Lesisko stated that students beyond the 800 count will have access to teachers assigned by the school district during the school day and all students will have full access to the website including online courses, lessons, assessments, and course resources. These resources will supplant the course textbook and staff is working on a viable solution for gifting programming.

Mrs. Jecker motioned, seconded by Ms. Greggo to approve Agenda item #6:
Approval of Agenda item #6.A. – The following policies, per attached:

- Policy #011 Principles for Governance and Leadership
- Policy #203 Immunizations and Communicable Diseases
- Policy #209 Health Examinations/Screenings
- Policy #314 Physical Examination
- Policy #340 Responsibility for Student Welfare
- Policy #705 Facilities and Workplace Safety
- Policy #904 Public Attendance at School Events
- Policy #910.1 Memorials for Deceased Students and Staff

ROLL CALL: 9-0 CARRIED

Agenda item #6.B. – The following policies were attached to the agenda for a second reading, per attached:

- Policy #003 Functions
- Policy #113.3 Screening and Evaluations for Students With Disabilities

ADDENDUM – SUPERINTENDENT REPORT/REQUESTS: Dr. Lee Lesisko

Agenda item #7.A. – Informational: The following policy was attached for a first reading:

- Policy #115 Career and Technical Education

Agenda item #7.B. – No changes were recommended to the following policies reviewed on September 21, 2020. The revision date only will be updated on the policy. Unless otherwise required or requested, each policy will be reviewed again per the policy review cycle:

- Policy 116 Tutoring
- Policy 117 Homebound Instruction

HUMAN RESOURCES: Ms. Jessica Tomon

Mr. Peeters motioned, seconded by Mr. Kresge to approve Agenda item #8.A. – Personnel Items:

Approval of Agenda item #8.B. – Hiring Furloughed TPE as Long Term Substitute:

1.	Name:	Jennifer Clayton
	Position:	Kindergarten Teacher
	Education Level:	BS: Early Childhood Education
	Undergraduate School:	East Stroudsburg University
	Certificate:	Instructional I: Grades PK-4
	Experience:	2016-2019: East Brunswick Public Schools: Teacher 2019-2020: Pleasant Valley School District: 1st Grade Teacher
	Salary:	B, Step 1: \$45,067 (prorated)
	Replace:	Cassandra Crawford
	Effective Date:	September 21, 2020

Approval of Agenda item #8.C. – Hiring of Long Term Substitute (pending receipt of required paperwork):

1.	Name:	Michelle Albanese
	Position:	Health & Physical Education Teacher
	Education Level:	BS: Health & Physical Education MS: Curriculum & Instruction
	Undergraduate School:	East Stroudsburg University
	Graduate School:	University of Scranton
	Certificate:	Instructional I: Health & Physical Education Instructional I: Health
	Experience:	2014-2020: Diocese of Scranton Monsignor McHugh School, Health & Physical Education Teacher 2011-2014: Pleasant Valley School District, Substitute Teacher
	Salary:	B, Step 1: \$45,067 (prorated)
	Replace:	Denise Hopely which is in for Jennifer Keller

Effective Date:	September 22, 2020
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Approval of Agenda item #8.D. – Addition to Current Assignment:

1.	Name:	Laura Duncan
	Position:	Substitute Custodian
	Salary:	\$10.38 per hour
	Effective Date:	September 28, 2020

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

1.	Name:	Cerina Bender
	Current Building:	PVHS
	Current Position:	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)
	New Building:	PVHS
	New Position:	Paraprofessional Associate (FT)
	Effective Date:	September 14, 2020
	Replace:	Debra Howell

Approval of Agenda item #8.F. – Recall from Layoffs of Paraprofessional Associates (PT):

1.	Name:	Christina Fiorito-McGowen
	Building:	PVES
	Effective Date:	September 17, 2020
	Replace:	Maria Sarwar
2.	Name:	Peggyann Corriveau
	Building:	PVHS
	Effective Date:	September 21, 2020
	Replace:	Cerina Bender

Approval of Agenda item #8.G. – 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 the District is closed, the District shall have no obligation to pay athletic and non-athletic contracts appointed herein. In the event the fall 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.	John Gesiskie	Boys Basketball	Jr. High Assistant	3	\$3,750.00
2.	John Stanovick	Girls Basketball	Jr. High Assistant	1	\$3,550.00

Approval of Agenda item #8.H. – 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 the District is closed, the District shall have no obligation to pay athletic and non-athletic contracts appointed herein. In the event the fall 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.	Joan Toolan	Football	Varsity Chain Crew	\$30.00
2.	Melissa Bruckman	Girls Volleyball	Varsity Scorebook Keeper	\$40.00
3.	Melissa Bruckman	Girls Volleyball	JV Scorebook Keeper	\$30.00
4.	Karen Voulo	Football	Varsity Chain Crew	\$30.00
5.	Lori Bray	Football	Varsity Chain Crew	\$30.00
6.	Theresa Sinisko	Boys Basketball	Varsity Message Board Operator	\$40.00

7.	Theresa Sinisko	Boys Basketball	Varsity Scoreboard Operator	\$40.00
8.	Theresa Sinisko	Boys Basketball	Varsity Secondary Clock Operator	\$40.00
9.	Theresa Sinisko	Boys Basketball	JV Scoreboard Operator	\$35.00
10.	Theresa Sinisko	Boys Basketball	Freshman Scoreboard Operator	\$30.00
11.	Theresa Sinisko	Girls Basketball	Varsity Secondary Clock Operator	\$40.00
12.	Holli Capricuso	Girls Basketball	Varsity Secondary Clock Operator	\$40.00

Approval of Agenda item #8.I. – 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 the District is closed, the District shall have no obligation to pay athletic and non-athletic contracts appointed herein. In the event the fall 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	Position	Building	Salary
1.	Ashley Thompson	Freshman Class Advisor	PVHS	\$1,500.00
2.	Barbara Arroyo	Model United Nations	PVHS	\$0
3.	Chad Snyder	Pep Band	PVHS	\$1,137.50

Approval of Agenda item #8.J. – Intramural Advisors:

1.	Club/Activity:	Girls Basketball
	Advisor:	Daniel Muir
	Advisor:	Frank Dekmar
	Advisor:	Robert Stilvala
	Advisor:	Kelly Williams
	Advisor:	John Stanovick
	Dates:	September 25, 2020 – November 10, 2020
	Day(s):	Tuesday & Thursday
	Times:	7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
	Building:	PVHS
2.	Club/Activity:	Girls Lacrosse
	Advisor:	Toni Bush
	Dates:	October 15, 2020 – December 10, 2020
	Day(s):	Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday
	Times:	Varies
	Building:	PVHS
3.	Club/Activity:	The International Thespian Society
	Advisor:	Venessa Fego
	Dates:	September 2020 – May 2021
	Day(s):	Varies
	Times:	Varies
	Building:	PVHS
4.	Club/Activity:	Shakey’s Players
	Advisor:	Vanessa Fego
	Dates:	January 5, 2021 – April 25, 2021
	Day(s):	Tuesday & Thursday
	Times:	2:30 pm – 4:30 pm
	Building:	PVHS
5.	Club/Activity:	National Art Honor Society
	Advisor:	Dan Mulligan
	Dates:	August 2020 – June 2020
	Day(s):	Monday – Friday (Saturday/Sunday)

	Times:	Varies
	Building:	PVHS
6.	Club/Activity:	The imProV Club
	Advisor:	Vanessa Fego
	Dates:	September 11, 2020 – May 28, 2021
	Day(s):	Friday
	Times:	2:30 pm – 4:30 pm
	Building:	PVHS

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

	Name	Position	Building	Number of Days	Dates
1.	Robert Siglin	Custodian	PVMS	Twenty-three (23)	August 5, 2020 – September 8, 2020
2.	Sharon Baker	Teacher	PVES	Twenty-seven (27)	August 25, 2020 – October 5, 2020

Approval of Agenda item #8.L. – FFCRA – Emergency FMLA Expansion Act:

1.	Name:	Jessica Borger
	Position:	Monitor
	Building:	PVMS
	Type:	Intermittent
	Start Date	September 17, 2020
	Expected End Date:	November 26, 2020

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

	Name	Position	Building	Number of Days	Dates
1.	Lizbeth Blair	Monitor	PVIS	Two (2)	August 31, 2020 – September 1, 2020
2.	Barbara Partyka	Food Service Employee	PVES	One (1)	September 8, 2020

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

	Name	Position	Building	Effective Date
1.	Elizabeth Watson	Special Education Teacher	PVIS	November 6, 2020
2.	Beth Green	Paraprofessional Associate	PVHS	September 11, 2020
3.	Corinne Acevedo	Monitor*	PVES	September 17, 2020

Approval of Agenda item #8.O. – Job Description, per attached: Head Coach /Director/ Advisor.

ROLL CALL: 8-1 CARRIED
 Voting No: Mr. Wunder; Abstained on
 Agenda item #8.J.1.: Mrs. Kresge 7-1-1
 CARRIED

ADDENDUM: HUMAN RESOURCES: Ms. Jessica Tomon

Mr. Burger motioned, seconded by Mr. Peeters to approve Addendum item #9.A. – Addendum Personnel Items:

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

	Name	Position	Building	Effective Date
1.	Paul Evans	Golf Varsity Assistant	N/A	(never started)
2.	Tabitha Barnes*	Food Service Employee	PVES	August 25, 2020

* Wants to remain on substitute list

Approval of Addendum item #9.C. – Retirement:

	Name	Position	Building	Effective Date
1.	Cindy DePue	Monitor	PVHS	August 31, 2020
2.	Susan Famularo	Business Manager	District	December 31, 2020

Approval of Addendum item #9.D. – Change to Current Assignment:

1.	Name:	Christina Shoemaker
	Previous Building:	PVE/PVI
	Previous Position:	Music Teacher
	New Building:	PVHS
	New Position:	Music Teacher
	Effective Date:	2019/2020 School Year
	Replace:	Lois Mann
2.	Name:	Nancy Heckman
	Current Building:	PVIS
	Current Position:	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)
	New Building:	PVHS
	New Position:	Paraprofessional Associate (FT)
	Effective Date:	September 28, 2020
	Replace:	Beth Green

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

	Name	Sport
1.	Amy Keller	Cross Country

Approval of Addendum item #9.F. – Hiring of Administrative Staff:

1.	Name:	Michael McMullen
	Position:	Special Education Supervisor K-6
	Education Level:	BS: Special Education/Elementary Education MS: Education
	Undergraduate School:	Kutztown University
	Graduate School:	Cabrini College East Stroudsburg University
	Certificates:	Instructional II: Special Education N-12 Instructional II: Elementary K-6 Supervisory: Supervisor Special Education PK-12 (pending)
	Experience:	2009-2020: Allentown School District: Special Education Facilitator
	Salary:	\$81,750
	Effective Date:	TBD
	Replace:	Doug Palmieri

ROLL CALL: 9-0 CARRIED

Voting No on Agenda item #9.F.1.: Mrs. Jecker 8-1 CARRIED

CURRICULUM/STAFF DEVELOPMENT: Dr. Robert Mauro/Dr. Susan Mowrer Benda

Mrs. Jecker motioned, seconded by Mr. Zacharias to approve Agenda item #10.A. – Curriculum/Staff Development items:

Approval of Agenda item #10.B. – PDE Emergency Instructional Time Template, per attached as recommended by the Interim Assistant to the Superintendent.

ROLL CALL: 9-0 CARRIED

Mrs. Kresge motioned, seconded by Mr. Wunder to approve Agenda item #10.C. – Agreement between Pleasant Valley School District and Thom Stecher & Associates for Social and Emotional Learning programming throughout the 2020-2021 school year, per attached and pending solicitor review.

Prior to the roll call vote, Ms. Greggo suggested waiting on this program and to reconsider it when students are back in school five days a week to reach the full potential of the program. She stated that while she does not doubt that this is a great program, she expressed concern about the timing and availability of students. Ms. Greggo stated that the Diversity Task Force

meetings have included representatives from all schools including students. She expressed concern that this program does not support the current vision of the Diversity Task Force. In answer to Mrs. Yozwiak's question about funds from the Cares Act, Dr. Mowrer Benda clarified that these funds would come out of the Cares Grant for professional development for staff. Dr. Mowrer Benda explained the reasons for reduction in the amount of time with consultants and reduction in the scope. She addressed the needs for the program stressing the importance of meeting the needs of teachers first seeking to provide support, understanding, and expertise as they not only deal with themselves, but how they can then lead our students. She stressed the importance of the passage of this motion and stated that there is an upcoming Act 80 day where planning can begin. She stated that the Diversity Task Force will be supported in this endeavor. Dr. Mauro stated that building principals support this professional development and he advocates an affirmative vote. Mrs. Kresge stated that this would be in line with the Superintendent's Goal #3 for social and emotional learning. Mrs. Yozwiak stated that Goal #3 does cover this as well as for Dr. Lesisko to do a comprehensive evaluation of the culture of the District and that this agreement would play into completion of that goal. Ms. Greggo again expressed concern about the timing of this program stating that waiting a year would give us the whole program. Further discussion was held and Mr. Burger stated that he is in favor of moving forward and meeting our greatest need in order to keep staff healthy and able to work with students. Mr. Wunder stated that the IU is moving forward in this direction and he will support it. There being no further discussion, the following action was taken:

.ROLL CALL: 9-0 CARRIED

ADDENDUM: CURRICULUM/STAFF DEVELOPMENT: Dr. Robert Mauro/Dr. Susan Mowrer Benda

Approval of Addendum #11.A. – Professional Development – Richard M. Kiker, LLC: A one-year access to Kiker Learning Asynchronous Learning Platform including certificate, courses on a provided menu for professional development proposal for technology learning for Pleasant Valley Educators by Richard M. Kiker, LLC.

ROLL CALL: 9-0 CARRIED

SPECIAL EDUCATION: Ms. Julie Harris – Ms. Harris stated that she is working to get a Faculty & Staff Flu Shot Clinic set up with St. Luke's Health Network and she will keep the Board updated.

ADDENDUM: OPERATIONS SERVICES: Mr. Bill Gasper –

Mr. Burger motioned, seconded by Mr. Kresge to approve Addendum item #13.: Approval of Addendum item #13.A. – Change Order – Polk Roof.

Prior to roll call, Mr. Zacharias asked for clarification of the change order. Mr. Gasper stated that the roof was finished early and we received a credit of \$9,826.96.

ROLL CALL: 9-0 CARRIED

Addendum item #13.B. – Informational: Second Letter to PennDOT from D'Huy Engineering regarding the Route 209/115 project per attached.

BUILDING REPORTS: Mrs. Yozwiak stated that all building reports for September 2020 were provided for informational purposes. Mrs. Kresge suggested adding a monthly report from the PV Cyber Academy to the agenda moving forward.

BUSINESS MANAGEMENT: Mrs. Susan Famularo

Mr. Peeters motioned, seconded by Mr. Zacharias to approve Agenda item #15.A. – Business Management Items:

Approval of Agenda item #15.B. – Cafeteria Fund per attached.

Cafeteria Accounts Payable for September 24, 2020 – \$13,746.86

Approval of Agenda item #15.C. – Rescind the Approval of an Agenda item: Rescind the approval of Agenda Item #14.C.1 dated August 27, 2020 - Petroleum Traders- Agreement to extend the term or the Agreement through June 30, 2021, per attached.

Approval of Agenda item #15.D. – The following contracts as attached:

1. Colonial Intermediate Unit #20 - Associate Teacher for one on one service at Colonial Academy - Partial Hospitalization Program - Cost \$42,688.80 Terms: 2020-2021 School Year
2. BerkOne - Homestead/Farmstead Application Mailing - Cost: \$0.3700 per mailing with return envelope, \$0.03200 per mailing without return envelope, \$0.027 1/3 Insert, Additional Programming \$128.125 per hour.

3. Petroleum Traders - Amendment to Bid Agreement to extend the term or the Agreement through June 20, 2021
4. Ehrlich Pest Control - Pest Control Services for Chestnuthill Elementary - Cost: \$1,236.00 per year - Terms July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2022
5. Ehrlich Pest Control - Pest Control Services for PVSD- District Office - Cost: \$1,236.00 per year - Terms July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2022
6. Ehrlich Pest Control - Pest Control Services for Pleasant Valley Pre-School - Growing Place - Cost: \$1,236.00 per year - Terms July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2022
7. Ehrlich Pest Control - Pest Control Services for John C. Mills Elementary School - Cost: \$1,200.00 per year - Terms July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2022
8. Ehrlich Pest Control - Pest Control Services for PVSD — Transportation Depot - Cost: \$1,188.00 per year - Terms July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2022
9. Ehrlich Pest Control - Pest Control Services for PVHS — Cost: \$1,392.00 per year - Terms July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2022
10. Ehrlich Pest Control - Pest Control Services for PVMS — Sport Equipment Building - Cost: \$264.00 per year - Terms July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2022
11. Ehrlich Pest Control - Pest Control Services for PVE — Cost: \$1,656.00 per year - Terms July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2022
12. Ehrlich Pest Control - Pest Control Services for PVMS — Cost: \$1,536.00 per year - Terms July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2022
13. Ehrlich Pest Control - Pest Control Services for PVIS — Cost: \$1,920.00 per year - Terms July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2022
14. Parlay - Software Subscription - Site License for 1400 students - Cost: \$4,200.00 - Terms - August 1, 2020 – July 31, 2021

Approval of Agenda item #15.E. – Fundraisers:

1. PVHS - FBLA - Schyler Strong Coin Drop at Football Game - 10/16/2020 and 10/23/2020
2. PVHS - Key Club - Green and White Dress Down Day on 3/13/2021
3. PVHS - Class of 2023 - Go Green Dress Down - 4/20/2021
4. PVHS - LEO Club - Sale of after school snack (individually wrapped) 9/26/2020 - 6/1/2021
5. PVHS - Key Club - Community Yard Sale - 5/15/2021
6. PVHS - FBLA - American Heart Association - Krispie Kreme Donut Sale 10/9/20 – 10/23/20 with Delivery on 10/27/20
7. PVHS - FBLA - American Heart Association - Gertrude Hawk Chocolate Bar Sale - 11/12/2020 - 11/22/2020
8. PVHS - FBLA - American Heart Association - Krispie Kreme Donut Sale 1/5/2021 - 1/21/2021
9. PVHS - FBLA - American Heart Association - Gertrude Hawk Chocolate Bar Sale - 1/19/2021 - 2/18/2021
10. PVHS - FBLA - American Heart Association - Veterans Day Dress Down 11/10/20 and 11/22/20
11. PVHS - Class of 2023 - Kid Night Out - 11/6/2020

Approval of Agenda item #15.F. – Snow Removal Bid Award as attached:

Brodheadsville Campus 2020-2023 cost is valid per year

Richard Frantz Trucking & Excavating

Per Truck - \$100.00
 Per Loader - \$120.00
 Per Dozer - \$120.00
 Per Box Plow - \$180.00
 Trucking of Snow - \$100.00

PVE/PVI Campus

Bruce George Paving & Excavating, Inc.

Per Truck - \$100.00
 Per Loader - \$120.00
 Per Dozer - \$120.00
 125 HP /Tractor w/ 8' Snow Blower - \$120.00
 Trucking of Snow - \$100.00

Polk Elementary School

Bruce George Paving & Excavating, Inc.

Per Truck - \$100.00
 Per Loader - \$120.00
 Per Dozer - \$120.00
 125 HP /Tractor w/ 8' Snow Blower - \$120.00
 Trucking of Snow - \$100.00

Approval of Agenda item #15.G. – WEPOSC 2021 Budget for West End Park and Open Space Commission with appropriations in the amount \$133,666.00. Pleasant Valley School District support in the amount: \$4,064.00 as per attached.

Approval of Agenda item #15.H. – Resolution – Property Tax Rebate 2020: The attached resolution known as the "Senior Citizens Property Tax Rebate Resolution of 2020". The maximum household income is \$20,000 and maximum rebate amount is \$500.

Prior to the roll call vote, Ms. Greggo questioned Agenda item #15.E.-Fundraisers. Discussion was held with regard to Policy #246 Student Wellness, in particular, fundraiser exemptions for which the high school is allowed 10 exempt fundraisers. Mrs. Kresge suggested eliminating #8 and #9 of Agenda item #15.E. since they do not take place until 2021. Mr. Peeters agreed to a friendly amendment to the motion put forward by Mrs. Kresge to eliminate #8 and #9 with no objection to reflect approval of Agenda items #15.B. through #15.H. with the elimination of Agenda item #15.E.8. and 9.

ROLL CALL: 9-0 CARRIED

Agenda item #15.I. –Informational: The District Investment Report 8-31-2020 was attached.

SOLICITOR: Mark Fitzgerald, Esq. – No report.

PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DIRECTORS:

Mr. Wunder thanked Dr. Lesisko for his update on the cyber issue and offered help with phone calls, etc. Dr. Lesisko shared the plan for answering phones, etc. and also stated that the IU is willing to evaluate our program. Mrs. Yozwiak stated that the Board is re-evaluating the current vendor contracts.

Mr. Burger stated he is not receiving ConnectEd calls and discussion was held about the ConnectEd system. Mr. Wunder suggested doing an analysis of who is not receiving the calls and Dr. Lesisko said that information will be placed on the website with a phone number to call.

Mr. Kresge discussed cyber school registration and the length of time it takes to register a student. Discussion was held and Mrs. Yozwiak commented on the process being a multi-step process. Further discussion was held and Mr. Wunder expressed the importance of communication to parents. Mrs. Yozwiak stated that we care and are concerned and are working to resolve all issues. Mr. Burger suggested that the administration provide the Board with some ideas in order to improve the program in order to make registration be done on a timely basis before the next school year.

Mrs. Kresge questioned timing for when parents can pick up worksheets K-3; availability of books; the cyber curriculum as to when it was last updated; and the K-4 curriculum. Discussion was held and Dr. Lesisko addressed the questions. In addition, Mrs. Kresge stated that she is not in favor of using seat licenses through VLN and is concerned about the quality of education. Discussion was held and Mrs. Yozwiak stated that she is not opposed to seat licenses through VLN and that it is a modern way of education and MCTI is doing something similar. Further discussion was held.

Mrs. Jecker congratulated Mrs. Viola Murphy for being nominated and receiving the 2020 Paving the Way Educational Success Advocate Award. She also suggested sending text messages for informing parents of snow delays, etc.

Ms. Greggo questioned a Bear Den at the elementary level similar to what is being done at the high school. Dr. Lesisko will speak with principals.

Mrs. Kresge questioned when the Board can expect a copy of the cyber curriculum which Dr. Lesisko addressed.

Mrs. Jecker questioned if the Association has been contact with regard to TPEs which Dr. Lesisko addressed.

Mr. Wunder informed all that the IU had an in-person meeting with public participation by Zoom and encouraged the Board to move forward with this. Discussion was held about technology needs, etc.

Mr. Wunder congratulated Ms. Susan Famularo on her retirement and thanked her for her dedication, honesty, and integrity during her years of service to the District. Mrs. Yozwiak, Mr. Kresge, Mr. Peeters, and Mr. Zacharias all thanked Ms. Famularo for her service to the District and she will be missed by all.

PLEASANT VALLEY CITIZENS (non-agenda items):

Desiree Murray, Chestnuthill Township, expressed gratitude to the staff, paraprofessionals, custodians, and secretarial staff for working hard and keeping us safe. She stated that social and emotional training is necessary and paraprofessionals have been well trained and provide support to the students and teachers.

Teri VanBritsom, Chestnuthill Township, thanked the Board for their service to the community and school district. She expressed concern about outdated books and spoke against nepotism.

Ronald Reynolds, Chestnuthill Township, questioned options such as Google classrooms to be reinstated for 5 days for students who are still waiting to be enrolled. He expressed VLN's inability to handle this situation and expressed concern about accountability and obligations of the Board to address questions.

Christine Higgins, Chestnuthill Township, applauded the staff and school for working hard. She expressed concern about the availability of Chrome books; the lack of ConnectEd calls, and the issue of truancy for students still not enrolled.

Kelly Patrice, Polk Township, expressed her appreciation for support staff. She expressed concern about the curriculum from VLN for cyber and costs involved for the vendor. She questioned other options and suggested using our own program.

Alice Wheelis, Ross Township, expressed concern about the cyber school instruction and lack of materials and that it is unacceptable. She stated that she has sent a petition to the Board as well as legislature to remove the superintendent.

Stacy Bittenbender, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern about still waiting for Cyber School.

Arthur Gass, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern that he has not received anything on cyber school to date and has sent an email to the Board expressing his frustration and disappointment.

Danielle Serfass, Eldred Township, thanked the high school staff for all they do. She addressed prior administrations and said it is unfair that this issue was put on the current administration.

Elsie Gonzalez, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern about the communication structure with Pleasant Valley and VLN as well as communication to the parents.

Angela Hill, Polk Township, expressed her thanks to all for their hard work and respects everyone for doing their best.

Melissa Fredericks, Chestnuthill Township, thanked everyone for their hard work. She expressed concern about the difficulty of the curriculum and asked the Board to look into it.

Teri Van Britsom, Chestnuthill Township, stated that COVID could not be predicted and blame should not be on the superintendent. She expressed gratitude for the job administration is doing and understands frustrations of parents and that we should work together.

Barry Crown, Chestnuthill Township, offered suggestions and alternatives for teachers to videotape their lessons or their grade level and then teach those at home.

Liz Fernandez, Polk Township, expressed her understanding for the frustration but to give the superintendent a chance and come together and help each other.

Jessica Place, Eldred Township, stated that the Hybrid model is working great for her son. She stated that the teachers are doing a good job and also thanked the custodians.

Heather Blum, Chestnuthill Township, expressed that the Hybrid model is working great for her family and that the teachers and staff have been doing a great job.

Ronald Reynolds, Chestnuthill Township, expressed his opinion about accountability of the superintendent and expressed concern about communication.

Richard Hill, Polk Township, expressed his thanks to the principals of the middle school and high school for holding virtual open houses and said it was a good session.

Kelly Patrice, Polk Township, expressed that she holds the administration and the Board responsible for the situation and expressed concern about communication and transparency. She thanked the principals, guidance counselors, and support staff for all their help.

Christine Higgins, Chestnuthill Township, stated that although she has not been active in Board meetings until recently, she stated that the issues are systemic, not just because of the pandemic. She also expressed her opinion about the accountability of a leader.

Lori Robinson, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern about the Google classroom not working. She stated they are happy with the Hybrid model, but there are concerns about technology.

Heather Impellizzeri, Ross Township, expressed concern about communication at the district level during this time and also expressed concern that there are no other options. She said that the curriculum is challenging and inappropriate for the elementary level.

Karen Radzier, Chestnuthill Township, expressed her disappointment... The balance of her comments were inaudible.

Desiree Murray, Chestnuthill Township, expressed her opinion that the Board and superintendent should look to the future and stated that the smaller class sizes are successful for students and that behavior issues have declined and special education and regular education students are getting more attention.

Ronald Reynolds, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern about VLN and assistance from our teachers. He expressed concern that there is no live instruction.

Mrs. Yozwiak stated that the next Board of Education meeting is scheduled for October 8, 2020 at 7:00 PM which at this point will be virtual, but that the Board will be working on the possibility of holding an in-person meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mrs. Jecker motioned, seconded by Mr. Zacharias to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 PM.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Famularo, Board Secretary

Debra L. Duff, Board Recorder

Next regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting:
October 8, 2020 @ 7:00 PM