

# PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Brodheadsville, PA 18322

Minutes of the April 11, 2019 Board of Education Meeting

**Board Approved 4-25-19**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Pleasant Valley School District Board of Education was held on April 11, 2019 and called to order by President Susan Kresge, at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Brian Myszkowski of the Pocono Record, followed by a moment of silence. The meeting was held in the Administrative Offices, 2233 Route 115, Brodheadsville, PA 18322.

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

**School Board members in attendance:** Susan Kresge, President, Donna Yozwiak, Vice President, Bob Serfass, Russell Gould, Len Peeters, Dan Wunder, Kenneth Cocuzzo, Treasurer, Laura Jecker, Delbert Zacharias.

**Administrative staff in attendance:** David Piperato, Superintendent, Joshua Ziatyk, Assistant to the Superintendent, John Burrus, Director of Human Resources, Susan Famularo, Business Manager, Stacy Stair, Administrative Assistant to the Business Manager, Marcia Taylor, Accountant, Lee Lesisko, Director of Technology, Alfred J. Kise, Director of Pupil Services, Susan Mowrer Benda, Director of Curriculum & Instruction, William Gasper, Director of Operations, Travis Serfass, Director of Buildings & Grounds.

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

**Notification of Executive Session:** Ms. Kresge announced that an executive session was held on April 11, 2019 immediately prior to the regularly scheduled meeting for purposes of personnel matters including, but not limited to, performance and/or discipline; negotiations; and legal issues.

President Kresge announced the meeting procedures which were attached to the agenda. She welcomed those present and provided the opportunity for Pleasant Valley citizens to comment on agenda items and asked that comments be kept to a three-minute time limit.

**Pleasant Valley Citizens:** None.

**SECRETARY’S REPORT: Ms. Susan Famularo, Board Secretary**

Mr. Wunder motioned, seconded by Mr. Serfass to approve the minutes of the Board of Education Meeting held on March 28, 2019 with the following correction: Ms. Yozwiak questioned comments made by Ms. Kresge about an anonymous letter she received, not shared. Amended comment by Ms. Kresge: “Ms. Kresge stated that in the interest of transparency, she referred to an anonymous letter received intending to disparage her reputation. She said that the letter contained lies and believes it is a tactic to influence the election”.

VOICE VOTE: 9-0 CARRIED

**TREASURER’S REPORT: Mr. Ken Cocuzzo**

Ms. Jecker motioned, seconded by Ms. Yozwiak to approve Agenda item #3.A. – Accounts Payable, as attached:

Approval of #3.B. Accounts Payable – Manual checks March 1, 2019 through March 31, 2019

Approval of #3.C. Accounts Payable – Manual checks PSDLAF March 1, 2019 through March 31, 2019

Approval of #3.D. Accounts Payable – April 11, 2019

ROLL CALL: 9-0 CARRIED

Ms. Jecker motioned, seconded by Mr. Gould to approve Agenda item #3.E. Financial Statements, as attached:

Approval of #3.F. Trial Balance/Financial Statement March 2019

Approval of #3.G. Asset Cost Summary March 2019

Approval of #3.H. Condensed Board Summary/Expenditures and Revenues March 2019.

ROLL CALL: 9-0 CARRIED

Agenda item #3.I. - The Accounts Payable approved at the March 28, 2019 Board of Education meeting was attached to the agenda for informational purposes.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

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

**Other:** Ms. Yozwiak questioned when Board members would be trained on the use of Gmail which will be implemented in the near future. Mr. Piperato stated that the training will take place over the holiday and prior to the next Board meeting. Dr. Lesisko will send documents to the Board for their review.

Ms. Kresge stated that the annual election of Intermediate Unit Board of Directors will be conducted within the next several weeks. Pleasant Valley Board Member Daniel Wunder's term will expire on June 30, 2019 and Ms. Kresge asked Mr. Wunder if he would be interested in being nominated for election. Mr. Wunder expressed his interest in being nominated to serve a three-year term from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2022 and Board action will take place at the next Board meeting for approval of this item.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Monroe Career & Technical Institute: Ms. Donna Yozwiak** – Ms. Yozwiak reported on the meeting held on April 1, 2019:

1. The second annual Trek for Tech will be held on Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, at Dansbury Park, East Stroudsburg, to benefit Monroe County Women's Resources, Semper Fi Fund and Big Brothers/Big Sisters. This event is sponsored by the National Technical Honor Society.
2. The Chartwell's Food Service agreement was renewed. The budget includes a zero increase in breakfast and lunch pricing for students.
3. MCTI hosted Representatives Maureen Madden and Jack Rader, Chief of Staff for Mario Scavello, Taylor Munoz and Senator John Blake's Regional Director Lawrence West to discuss possible funding for the comprehensive model with the four county superintendents. More information will follow as soon as the budget is complete.
4. MCTI has posted a Diesel Instructor position on its website to be hired as soon as possible.
5. Following weeks of design work, the MCTI website has been revamped with a new promotional video retrofitted to the front page.
6. The annual MVACTS Authority Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, at noon, at MCTI. This is my first year as a member of the Authority. I will provide an update following that meeting.
7. The Spring OAC Partners in Education Banquet is set for Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, at 6 p.m.
8. The Cosmetology salon will be upgraded and modernized during the summer. Funding for this project is provided by MCTI Adult Education and the Perkins Grant.
9. Enrollment is 208 students from Pleasant Valley which is 95% of our quota.

Ms. Yozwiak stated that the next JOC Meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Colonial IU #20: Mr. Daniel Wunder** – No report. The next meeting is scheduled for May 24<sup>th</sup>.

**PSBA Legislative Liaison Report: Ms. Susan Kresge** – No report.

**Curriculum Committee: Ms. Susan Kresge** – No report. The next meeting is scheduled for May 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Finance Committee: Mr. Peeters** – No report. Ms. Kresge stated that the Committee meeting was held prior to this meeting; however, an additional meeting will be held on April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5:15 PM due to the need for further discussion before rendering a report.

**Athletic Committee: Mr. Gould** – No report. The next meeting is scheduled for April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Property Committee: Mr. Kenneth Cocuzzo** – No report.

**Policy Committee: Ms. Donna Yozwiak** – Ms. Yozwiak reported on the meeting held on April 8, 2019:

1. The Policy Committee discussed the implementation of the new Naxolone Policy #823 and reviewed the seven policies on the agenda for the first reading this evening.

2. These policies include Policy #103 Nondiscrimination in School and Classroom Practices, Policy #103.1 Nondiscrimination Qualified Students with Disabilities, Policy #104 Nondiscrimination in Employment Practices, Policy #222, Pupils-Tobacco, Policy #323 Employees-Tobacco, Policy #823 Naloxone and Policy #904 Public Attendance at School Events.
3. Policies under continued review include Policy #229 Student Fundraising, Policy #903 Public Participation in Board Meetings, Policy #707 Use of School Facilities, Policy #819 Suicide Awareness.
4. Additional policies to be considered for review will be suggested from PSBA as the policies with the most current changes in need of implementation.

Ms. Yozwiak stated that the next meeting is scheduled for April 25<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM.

**SUPERINTENDENT-REPORT/REQUESTS: Mr. David Piperato**

Mr. Gould motioned, seconded by Ms. Yozwiak to approve Agenda item #6.:

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

Pleasant Valley High School:

Student	Reason
HB112818AB-H	Medical, extended through 03/05/19, additional 7 days

Pleasant Valley Middle School:

Student	Reason
HB041019DL-M	Medical, retroactive to 04/10/19
HB040219WJ-M	Medical, retroactive to 04/02/19

Approval of Agenda item #6.B. – 2018-2019 Revised School Calendar as attached.

ROLL CALL: 9-0 CARRIED

Mr. Piperato stated that graduation will be held on June 7<sup>th</sup> and the last day of school for all students. June 11<sup>th</sup> will be the last day for PVHS and PVMS faculty for staff development and June 12<sup>th</sup> will be the last day for PVIS and PVES faculty for staff development.

Agenda item #6.C. – The following policies were attached to the agenda and provided for a first reading:

- Policy #103 Nondiscrimination in School and Classroom Practices
- Policy #103.1 Nondiscrimination - Qualified Students With Disabilities
- Policy #104 Nondiscrimination in Employment Practices
- Policy #222 Pupils - Tobacco
- Policy #323 Employees - Tobacco
- Policy #823 Naloxone
- Policy #904 Public Attendance at School Events

Agenda item #6.D. – The enrollment report for April 2019 was attached to agenda for informational purposes.

**HUMAN RESOURCES: Dr. John T. Burrus**

Dr. Burrus requested approval of Agenda items #7.B. through #7.P.

Ms. Yozwiak motioned, seconded by Ms. Jecker to remove Agenda item #7.L. Affiliation Agreement, from the agenda. Ms. Kresge asked for discussion. There being none, the following action was taken.

ROLL CALL: 9-0 CARRIED

Ms. Jecker motioned, seconded by Ms. Yozwiak to approve agenda item #7.A. (#7.B. through #7.K. and #7.M. through #7.P.) – Personnel Items as follows:

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

1.	Name:	Luis Fuentes Jr.
	Current Position:	Security
	New Position:	Security Sergeant
	Effective Date:	April 15, 2019
	Replace:	Joy LaBadie
2.	Name:	Michael Menzoff Jr.
	Current Position:	Security
	New Position:	Security Sergeant
	Effective Date:	April 15, 2019

Replace:	George Curcio
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Approval of Agenda item #7.C. – Addition to Current Assignment:

	Name	Position	Salary	Start Date
1.	Christopher Henry	Substitute Teacher	\$110 per diem	April 15, 2019
2.	Catherine Kurczeski	Casual Security	\$14.23 / hr.	April 15, 2019

Approval of Agenda item #7.D. – Retirement:

	Name	Position	Building	Effective Date
1.	Cathleen Piccolo	Monitor	PVHS	March 26, 2018

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

	Name	Position	Building	Effective Date
1.	Janine Brown	Substitute School Nurse	N/A	April 1, 2019
2.	Jessica Hansen	Substitute Paraprofessional Associate	N/A	March 26, 2019

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

	Name	Position	Building	Number of Days	Dates
1.	Sharon Baker	Teacher	PVES	One (1)	March 19, 2019
2.	Debra Howell	Paraprofessional Associate	PVMS	Five (5)	March 25, 2019 – March 29, 2019
3.	Alison Hudzinski	Teacher	PVHS	Thirty-four (34)	April 23, 2019 – June 10, 2019
4.	Amelia Meixsell	Paraprofessional Associate	PVMS	Seven (7)	April 9, 2019 – April 22, 2019
5.	Heather Smeraldo	Teacher	PVIS	Six (6)	March 8, 2019 – March 15, 2019
6.	Deborah Wadiak	Custodian	PVIS	Fifteen (15)	April 12, 2019 – May 3, 2019
7.	Emily Murphy	Guidance Counselor	PVHS	Fifty-two (52)	April 11, 2019 – September 18, 2019
8.	Helen Sabo	Secretary	PVHS	Twelve (12)	April 11, 2019 – April 30, 2019

Approval of Agenda item #7.G. – Leaves Without Pay:

	Name	Position	Building	Number of Days	Dates
1.	Tabitha Barnes	Food Service Employee	PVES	Two (2)	March 25, 2019 - March 26, 2019
2.	Carol Bastos	Paraprofessional Associate (FT)	PVIS	Four (4)	March 22, 2019 and March 26, 2019 – March 28, 2019
3.	Cerina Bender	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)	PVMS	Two (2)	March 21, 2019 - March 22, 2019
4.	Sandy Bojko	Paraprofessional Associate (FT)	PVES	One (1)	March 12, 2019
5.	Amy Crilley	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)	PVES	One (1)	February 21, 2019
6.	Diana Graziano	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)	PVES	Seven (7)	January 12, 2019, February 19, 2019, March 5, 2019, March 13, 2019, March 14, 2019, March 25, 2019 and March 26, 2019
7.	Samantha Hardy	Monitor	PVES	One (1)	October 26, 2019
8.	Kate Harkins	Paraprofessional Associate (FT)	PVIS	One (1)	March 8, 2019
9.	Stephanie Havansky	Monitor	PVHS	One (1)	March 1, 2019
10.	Ludmila Healy	Monitor	PVIS	Eight and one-half (8½)	March 11, 2019 – March 19, 2019, March 22, 2019 (½) and April 16, 2019

11.	Allison Hoak	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)	PVES	One (1)	February 21, 2019
12.	Mariclaire Hosking	Paraprofessional Associate (FT)	PVMS	Three (3)	May 8, 2019 – May 10, 2019
13.	Leslie Jacobson	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)	PVIS	Three (3)	March 20, 2019 – March 22, 2019
14.	Johnna Kresge	Monitor	PVES	Four (4)	April 10, 2019 – April 15, 2019
15.	Regina LaBadie-Fleck	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)	PVIS	One (1)	March 18, 2019
16.	Aileen Lorah	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)	PVIS	Two (2)	March 21, 2019 and March 29, 2019
17.	Robert Madsen	Paraprofessional Associate (FT)	PVHS	Two (2)	March 7, 2019 - March 8, 2019
18.	Miranda Marotto	Food Service Employee (PT)	PVES	Three (3)	March 20, 2019, March 21, 2019 and March 26, 2019
19.	Marie Martins	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)	PVHS	Two (2)	January 22, 2019 and February 15, 2019
20.	Stephanie Pfancook	Secretary	PVES	One (1)	January 17, 2019
21.	Emilia Ringwelski	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)	PVES	Two (2)	March 7, 2019 – March 8, 2019
22.	Judith Sanbeg	Food Service Employee (FT)	PVIS	One (1)	March 20, 2019
23.	Maria Sarwar	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)	PVMS	Three (3)	March 13, 2019, March 25, 2019 and March 26, 2019
24.	Danielle Staples	Teacher	PVES	Four and one-half (2½)	March 7, 2019 (½), March 8, 2019 (1), March 11, 2019 (1), March 27, 2019 (1) and March 28, 2019 (1)
25.	Amy Stone	Food Service Employee (PT)	PVES	One (1)	March 28, 2019
26.	Jodi Swanson	Monitor	PVIS	Six (6)	March 25, 2019 – March 28, 2019, March 15, 2019 and April 26, 2019
27.	Heather Zingales	Secretary	PVMS	One-half (½)	March 29, 2019
28.	Jessica Coffman	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)	PVIS	One (1)	May 13, 2019
29.	Catherine Kurczeski	Monitor	PVHS	One (1)	March 25, 2019
30.	Dolores Walsh	Monitor	PVHS	Two (2)	March 19, 2019 – March 20, 2019

Approval of Agenda item #7.H. – 2018-2019 Intramural Advisors:

1.	Club/Activity:	JCM Weight Room
	Advisor:	Lori Bray
	Co-Advisor(s):	Gail Finamore
	Dates:	March 1, 2019 – May 31, 2019
	Days:	Monday – Thursday
	Times:	2:45 PM – 4:15 PM
	Building:	Pleasant Valley High School – JCM Wing
	Stipend(s):	One (1)
	Salary:	\$1,215.00
2.	Club/Activity:	Middle School Football
	Advisor:	Frank Dekmar
	Dates:	April 8, 2019 – June 6, 2019
	Days:	Monday – Thursday
	Times:	2:45 PM – 5:15 PM
	Building:	Middle School
	Stipend(s):	One-half (1/2)
	Salary:	\$607.50

Approval of Agenda item #7.I. – 2018-2019 Scorekeepers:

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Sport</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Salary</b>
1.	Lori Bray	Track	Jr. High	\$30.00 / event
2.	Christine Konstantopolous	Softball	Varsity	\$40.00 / event
3.	Bron Leupold	Baseball	Varsity	\$40.00 / event
4.	Shannon Mackes	Track	Varsity	\$40.00 / event
5.	Adriana Picca	Lacrosse	Varsity	\$40.00 / event

Approval of Agenda item #7.J. – 2019-2020 Supplemental Contracts:

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Salary</b>
1.	Mark Allison	Head Coach – Girls’ Tennis	L6	\$5,250.00
2.	James DeVivo	Marching Band Director	L6	\$6,812.50
3.	James DeVivo	Jazz Band – HS	N/A	\$1,625.00
4.	John DeVivo	Jazz Band – MS	N/A	\$1,300.00
5.	George Fair	Head Coach – Cross Country	L6	\$5,250.00
6.	John Gesiskie	Head Coach – Girls’ Volleyball	L6	\$6,950.00
7.	Steven Krechel	Head Coach – Golf	L6	\$5,250.00
8.	Derek Strohl	Head Coach – Girls’ Soccer	L6	\$6,950.00

Approval of Agenda item #7.K. – 2019-2020 Band Truck Drivers:

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Salary</b>
1.	Curtis Frantz	Band Truck Driver	\$23.00 / hr.
2.	Richard Hicks	Band Truck Driver	\$23.00 / hr.
3.	James Serfass	Band Truck Driver	\$23.00 / hr.

Approval of Agenda item #7.M. – Child Rearing Leave Corrections:

1. Kendal Askins: withdraw child rearing leave February 18, 2019-March 29, 2019 (Board approved February 28, 2019) - used allotted sick time
2. Christine Shoemaker: withdraw child rearing leave March 18, 2019-March 25, 2019 (Board approved January 10, 2019) - used allotted sick/personal time

Approval of Agenda item #7.N. – Settlement Agreement 2019041101

Approval of Agenda item #7.O. - Memorandum of understanding between the Pleasant Valley School District and the Pleasant Valley Educational Support Professionals Association – Re: Language to clarify Article VII #24.

Prior to the roll call vote, Solicitor Mark Fitzgerald addressed the Retirement Agreement (Agenda item #7.P.). He stated that based on discussions and everything presented, this is an ideal resolution from a legal perspective of Mr. Seiler’s status as an employee, effective April 15, 2019.

Ms. Jecker questioned Agenda item #7.K. 2019-2020 Band Truck Drivers, as to the rate. Dr. Burrus stated that the rate is in accordance with the Supplemental Contract.

ROLL CALL: 9-0 CARRIED

**CURRICULUM/STAFF DEVELOPMENT: Mr. Joshua Ziatyk**

Agenda item #8.A. – The March Curriculum Update – The Activities Report for the weeks March 1, 2019 through March 29, 2019 was attached to the agenda for informational purposes.

**PUPIL SERVICES: Mr. Alfred J. Kise** – No report.

**OPERATION SERVICES: Mr. William Gasper**

Agenda item #10.A. – The Cafeteria Participation Report was provided for informational purposes.

Agenda item #10.B. – District Events April 12, 2019 through April 25, 2019 were provided for informational purposes.

**BUSINESS MANAGEMENT: Ms. Susan Famularo**

Ms. Famularo stated that there will be another Finance Committee meeting on April 22<sup>nd</sup>; however, in the meantime, she will be sending out some schedules of information regarding the high school renovation project and how it impacts the budget.



Ms. Yozwiak motioned, seconded by Mr. Serfass to approve Agenda item #11.A. Business Management Items:

Approval of Agenda item #11.B. – Cafeteria Fund as was attached:

- Cafeteria Accounts Payable for April 11, 2019 – Total amount \$37,182.62
- Cafeteria Fund Asset Cost Summary – March 2019

Approval of Agenda item #11.C. – Payment from Bond Fund: The following are recommended for payment from the 2018 Bond Fund: As per attached - \$6,318.50.

Approval of Agenda item #11.D. – Establishment of Scholarship Fund: The TJ Janotti Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Approval of Agenda item #11.E. – The following contracts:

1. IntegraOne. Cisco SmartNet Renewal - ASA Firewall per COSTARS Contract #HW 003-085. Cost: \$11,056.40. Contract Dates: June 6, 2019 - October 30, 2020.
2. Pleasant Valley High School Class 2020 Fundraiser. "Make It Take It" - PVE and PVI Activity from 2 High School Clubs. Snacks to be sold June 5, 2019.
3. Rita's Fundraiser. Pleasant Valley High School Student Government Class of 2020 Fundraiser. Percentage of receipts of items sold April 8 to April 14, 2019.
4. Freckled Moose. Pleasant Valley High School Class of 2020 Fundraiser. Selling Bread Pastries March 26 to April 11, 2019.
5. Gamber Fundraising. Pleasant Valley High School Class of 2020 Fundraiser. Selling Hershey brand bars April 6, 2019 to April 24, 2019.
6. Mini-THon at Pleasant Valley High School. PVHS vs. PVMS teachers only basketball game April 12, 2019.
7. Fundraiser for Pleasant Valley Middle School 7th grade. Staff dress down day March 29, 2019. Funds to be given to Mel Bankus to help offset cost for her family while her son is in CHOP.
8. Fundraiser for Pleasant Valley Middle School - National Junior Honor Society. Mismatch clothing day April 1, 2019. Proceeds to be given West End Food Pantry.
9. Data Management, Inc. - Time Clock Plus. Cost: Software Support (Standard) for time clocks \$5,683.38. Effective March 27, 2019 to March 26, 2020.
10. IntegraOne. 10 Maintenance Chromebook Systems per COSTARS contract #HW 003-085. Cost: \$2,490.00.

Approval of Agenda item #11.F. – Bid Awards: The following bid awards were recommended for confirmation for 2019-2020 school year as per the Northampton/Monroe/Pike County Joint Purchasing Board for paper.

OFFICE PAPER

W. B. Mason - \$77,867.15

Index paper, white, 8 1/2" x 11", Xerographic, white, 8 1/2" x 11", white, 8 1/2 x 14", blue, 8 1/2" x 11" and white, 11" x 17", 24 lb.

Paper Mart Inc. - \$3,877.40

Standard envelopes, Index paper, blue, 8 1/2" x 11", Xerographic, white, 11" x 17", 20 lb.

Total - \$81,744.55

Approval of Agenda item #11.G. – Fall Athletic Supplies and Equipment Bid Awards – Additions (A breakdown by sport was attached).

BSN Sports - \$3,040.47

Everything Medical - \$529.14

Henry Schein - \$68.12

Medco - \$3,304.65

Metuchen Center, Inc. - \$620.00

Riddell/All American - \$12,505.30

School Health Corp. - \$347.52

Sportsman's - \$5,220.69

Triple Crown Sports - \$390.00

Total 2019-2020 Fall Athletic Supplies & Equipment Bid - Additions \$26,025.89

Approval of Agenda item #11.H. – Financial Statements: Recommendation that the Board accept the June 30, 2018 Financial Statements as prepared by Gorman & Associates, P.C.

Approval of Agenda item #11.I. – CSIU #16 Computer Services Rate for 2019-2020:

Recommendation that the Board approve the Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit #16 computer service rate for 2019-2020 as attached for Fund Accounting, Payroll, Staff Portal and Personnel applications. Estimated cost to the school district for 2019-2020 school year is \$33,700.

Approval of Agenda item #11.J. – Advertisement for Sealed Bids and Request for Proposal for the following items:

- Propane Fuel Bid
- Air Duct, Coil and Unit Ventilator Cleaning
- Winter Athletic Supplies & Equipment

Prior to the roll call vote, Ms. Yozwiak commented on the establishment of scholarship funds and stated that she is pleased to see more community members come forward for the TJ Janotti Memorial Scholarship Fund. She said that there are a number of scholarship funds issued to our graduates annually and that it is a great reminder to keep the memory of our alumni and acknowledge the fine things that they have done over the years.

ROLL CALL: 9-0 CARRIED

Agenda item #11.K. – Informational:

- Student Activity Accounts as per attachment:
  - Beginning Balance March 1, 2019: \$320,566.48
  - Receipts: \$92,588.10
  - Expenditures: \$63,850.54
  - Ending Balance March 31, 2019: \$349,304.04

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

**PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DIRECTORS:**

Ms. Jecker extended birthday wishes to the Pocono Record and also wished all a happy holiday.

**PLEASANT VALLEY CITIZENS (non-agenda items):**

Ms. Skylar Skurjunis, Ross Township, expressed her support for Cheerleading Coach Nicole Skurjunis stating that she brought the program so far as a team and spoke about competitions they attended and how the coach supported the team.

Ms. Maddison Blass, Ross Township, expressed her support for Coach Nicole stating that she is very caring and goes above and beyond. Ms. Blass expressed her opinion about claims of alleged sexual discrimination brought up at a prior meeting. Mr. Fitzgerald stated that expressing support on the merits of the coach is appropriate, but asked that all wishing to comment refrain from naming a particular student in accordance with federal law protection under FERPA.

Ms. Miranda Meek, Ross Township, expressed her support for Coach Nicole Skurjunis and that she treats all with respect and does not discriminate. Ms. Meek shared positive events that took place during the season.

Ms. Jacquie Moran, Chestnuthill Township, expressed her disappointment that the head varsity cheerleading coach position was not included in this evening's agenda. She stated that this delay affects, among other things, off season intramurals as well as fundraisers. Ms. Moran expressed her support for Coach Nicole Skurjunis and spoke about her dedication and her encouragement for the team to do their best. She said this needs to be rectified as soon as possible and hopes to see this item on the next Board meeting agenda.

Ms. Alexis Jimenez, Polk Township, expressed her support for Coach Nicole and stated having her as a coach has made her a better person. She shared the support she received during a time of loss and in all her years of cheering, Coach Nicole was the best coach she ever had.

Ms. Kelly Carver, Chestnuthill Township, expressed her support for Coach Nicole stating that her daughter had her as a coach and she had a genuine love for the students. Speaking on a personal level as a mom, Ms. Carver stated that Coach Nicole helped her daughter during a difficult time and she made her college team which she could not have done without Coach Nicole.

Ms. Jillian Skurjunis, Ross Township, stated that Coach Nicole is her mother and at first had reservations about having her mother as a coach, but stated that it was a wonderful experience to see her mother's passion and dedication to the team. She spoke about the coach stepping up from JV coach to varsity coach and continued to help out the JV team.



Ms. Nicole Skurjunis, Ross Township, spoke about the program stating it is not about the coach but the athletes and how she always put the athletes' needs before her own. She sees it as an athlete's first program. Ms. Skurjunis commented about her dedication and hard work including intramurals. She shared her ability to solve problems always putting personal needs last.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Gould motioned, seconded by Mr. Wunder to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 PM.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

Susan Famularo, Board Secretary

/s/

Debra L. Duff, Board Recorder

Next regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting: April 25, 2019 @ 7:00 PM