

PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Brodheadsville, PA 18322

**Minutes of the June 14, 2018 Board of Education Meeting**

**Board Approved 6-28-18**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Pleasant Valley School District Board of Education was held on June 14, 2018 and called to order by President Len Peeters, at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Solicitor, Michele Mintz followed by a moment of silence. Mr. Peeters welcomed those present and referred to the meeting procedures that were attached to the agenda. He stated that during the PV Citizens portion of the meeting, individuals are to state their name and township where they reside, and that comments must be kept to a three minute time limit. 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:** Len Peeters, President, Kenneth Cocuzzo, Treasurer, Bob Serfass, Delbert Zacharias, Laura Jecker, Dan Wunder, Donna Yozwiak, Russell Gould.

Absent: Sue Kresge, Vice President

**Administrative staff in attendance:** David Piperato, Superintendent, Ken Newman, 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, Cheryl Caines, Special Education Supervisor, Shavonne Liddic, Math Supervisor.

**Building Administrative staff in attendance:** Cassandra Herr, Brian Faust, Roger Pomposello.

**School Solicitor in attendance:** Michele Mintz, Esq.

**Notification of Executive Session:** Mr. Peeters announced that an executive session was held on June 14, 2018 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.

**Good News:** West End Food Pantry: Ms. Melissa Ruschak/Ms. Karena Thek

Ms. Karena Thek, Director of the West End Food Pantry, thanked the Board for their support. She stated that the Pantry has been in existence since October of 2015 and that food distribution is held on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of every month at Eldred Township Community Center in Kunkletown, PA. In addition, she stated that the Pantry is run by donations and they feed about 500 families each month. She also outlined several other services that the program offers. Ms. Ruschak, PVHS teacher, gave an overview of the West End Food Pantry services to Monroe and Carbon Counties. Mr. Piperato thanked Ms. Ruschak and Ms. Thek for their presentation and all that they do for the community.

**Pubic Financial Management: Scott Shearer:**

Mr. Shearer, Managing Director of PFM Financial Advisors LLC, provided additional information to the Board. He reviewed the Maximum Parameters Resolution and also stated that Standards & Poors has given the School District at A+ rating. Mr. Shearer further reviewed the tentative timeline and stated that with the approval of the Resolution, the bond pricing date is June 26<sup>th</sup> with a settlement date of financing set for July 19, 2018. Mr. Nathan Cox, Eckert Seamans, Bond Counsel, stated that the Resolution before the Board this evening was advertised as required by the Local Government Unit Debt Act and was made available for public inspection. He stated that the Resolution authorizes the issuance of a series of general obligation bonds for the various capital projects. Mr. Cox stated that all requirements are contained in the Resolution and that the Resolution is on the agenda for approval this evening requiring a roll call vote.

**Pleasant Valley Citizens:**

Mr. Malcolm McKinsey, Polk Township, read a prepared statement expressing his opinions on hiring practices. He expressed concern about hiring candidates from outside the District as opposed to hiring those who are already invested in the School District and community.

Ms. Allison Kutzler, Chestnuthill Township, read a prepared statement expressing her opinions on hiring practices and expressed her concern about the frequent turnover of administrators at PVI. She expressed her opinion about hiring individuals who are committed to the School District and community.

Mr. Gary Shupp, Chestnuthill Township, expressed his opinion about hiring practices and expressed concern about not hiring an individual within the District who is committed, has the credentials and experience and is invested in the School District and community.

Mr. Piperato responded to comments made and stated that he is insulted by some of the accusations and comments made and that they are false. Mr. Piperato did speak about the process of hiring and what he

has tried to do since he became Superintendent. He outlined the hiring practices and the process followed in order to select the best candidate for the jobs in question. He stated that based on the common theme that he heard during his entry planning process which was that we needed an ethical hiring process and need to hire qualified candidates, Mr. Piperato stated that the all involved in the hiring process will do so in a fair and ethical manner and that we will hire the best people for this District.

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

Ms. Jecker motioned, seconded by Ms. Yozwiak to approve the minutes of the Board of Education meeting held on May 24, 2018.

CARRIED

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

Mr. Gould motioned, seconded by Ms. Yozwiak to approve Agenda item #3.a. - #3.c. as was attached:  
Approval of #3.a. Accounts Payable – 5-1-18 to 5-31-18 (Manual Checks)  
Approval of #3.b. Accounts Payable – 5-1-18 to 5-31-18 (Manual Checks PSDLAF)  
Approval of #3.c. Accounts Payable – 6-14-18

ROLL CALL: 8-0 CARRIED  
Abstained on Agenda item #3.c. Check  
#00221347: Mr. Serfass 7-0-1 CARRIED  
(Abstention form attached)

Ms. Yozwiak motioned, seconded by Ms. Jecker to approve Agenda item #3.d. - #3.f. as was attached:  
Approval of #3.d. – Trial Balance/Financial Statement 5-31-18  
Approval of #3.e. – Asset Cost Summary 5-31-18  
Approval of #3.f. – Condensed Board Summary/Expenditures-Revenue 5-31-18

ROLL CALL: 8-0 CARRIED

Agenda item #3.g. Accounts Payable approved on May 24, 2018 was attached for informational purposes.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Solicitor: Michele Mintz, Esq.** – Ms. Mintz stated that she and her law firm of Fox Rothschild LLP, is looking forward to working with the District, administration, and Board of Education as the new Solicitor.

**Other:**

Ms. Yozwiak asked for the job description for the principal on special assignment and Dr. Burrus stated he would make it available for the next Board meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Monroe Career & Technical Institute: Ms. Donna Yozwiak –**

Ms. Yozwiak reported on the JOC meeting held on June 4, 2018:

- NOCTI overall results indicate 90.7% of MCTI students achieved advanced or competent. PV students achieved 93.5% advanced or competent.
- Perkins Grant reallocation budget has not yet been approved by the state. The anticipated amount is \$348,060, the same as last year.
- PV end of year district enrollment at MCTI is 200 students, filling 87% of our quota.
- Outstanding Students of the Third Quarter are Savhanna Bower, 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Science; Jacquelyn Colucci, 9<sup>th</sup> grade Civics; Christopher Frable, 9<sup>th</sup> grade English; Joseph Barrasso, Carpentry; William Chechel, Carpentry; Mikayla Hanson, Cosmetology; Jerimiah Behling, Culinary Arts I; Jacob Mazza, Culinary Arts II; Alex Anderson, Diesel Technology; Noah McCloughan, Electrical Technology; Shandler Rechenberger, Electronics Technology; Alison Fiorentino, Health Professions I; Justin Johnson, Health Professions 2; Tyler Traves, Masonry; Janelle Korcienski, Welding.
- MCTI Chapter 339 Curriculum will be evaluated by the Department of Education on October 16 and 17, 2018.
- Acting Director Dennis Virga was appointed the new Director of MCTI to begin his responsibilities on July 1, 2018.

**Colonial IU#20: Mr. Daniel Wunder –**

Mr. Wunder reported on the meeting held on May 23, 2018 and provided the report and a copy of *The Twenty* newsletter to the Board. He stated that routine business was held and of note to Pleasant Valley, the IU20 Operating Budgets for the 2018-2019 school year were approved. In addition, the IU Board approved a 1:1 Associate Teacher position for the Emotional Support class at Pleasant Valley Intermediate School due to student’s needs and the District’s request.

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

**Curriculum Committee – Ms. Sue Kresge/Ms. Donna Yozwiak –** No report.

**Finance Committee - Mr. Len Peeters –**

Mr. Peeters stated that the Committee met this evening and items discussed included the 2018-2019 final budget which is on the agenda for approval this evening. Other items discussed included:

- The 2018-2019 projected cash flow with no revenue anticipation note needed.
- Auditors will do interim work July 23<sup>rd</sup> and July 24<sup>th</sup> and will meet with Finance Committee members as part of their audit requirements.
- 2018 Bond Issue: Standards & Poors has given the School District an A+ rating. An RFP for investment of bond funds is being reviewed by Fox Rothschild for release and a Parameters Borrowing Resolution is on this evening’s agenda for approval.
- A three-year Food Service Fund Projection was distributed to the Committee for review.
- A draft 2018-2019 meeting schedule was discussed and the final schedule will be given to the Board.

Mr. Peeters stated that the next meeting is scheduled for September 13, 2018.

**Athletic Committee - Mr. Russ Gould –**

Mr. Gould reported on the meeting held on June 4<sup>th</sup>. He stated that a meeting was held with the spring coaches where coaches expressed their concerns. In addition, Mr. Gould stated that a meeting with all coaches and representatives of the All Sports Club was held where they expressed their need for more help from all teams and parents. Mr. Gould stated that the field hockey and basketball coach hiring are in process. Also, discussion was held about the weight room being named in honor of Chris Hixon. The next meeting is August 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Property Committee - Mr. Ken Cocuzzo –**

Mr. Cocuzzo stated that four architectural proposals have been submitted for the entrance project at the high school. He said that we want a firm that has a local presence in the event that a quick response is needed. Mr. Cocuzzo stated that he hopes to have a recommendation for the next meeting.

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

Mr. Wunder motioned, seconded by Mr. Serfass to approve Agenda item #6 as follows:

Approval of Agenda item #6.a. – 2018-2019 Budget:

BE IT RESOLVED that the 2018-2019 General Fund Budget be approved, calling for a tax levy of 148.016 mills in property tax and the Act 511 Earned Income Tax of .5% and Real Estate Transfer Tax of .5% (this represents a 2 mill, 1.4% increase from last year's budget) as attached.

Prior to the roll call vote, Ms. Jecker posed several questions including the decrease in debt service, the upcoming \$10,000,000 bond issue, the gambling being incorporated into the budget, employee positions, technology services, and uncategorized items. Ms. Famularo responded to all questions raised.

ROLL CALL: 6-2 CARRIED  
Voting No: Ms. Jecker, Mr. Gould

Mr. Gould motioned, seconded by Ms. Yozwiak to approve Agenda item #6.b. – Homebound Instruction (Per Board policy, re-evaluation will be done in ninety (90) days):

Pleasant Valley Middle School

Student No.	Reason
HB021918NG-M	Medical, retroactive to 02/19/18, Extension Originally approved at the 02/22/18 board meeting

Pleasant Valley High School

Student No.	Reason
HB060418KD-H	Medical, retroactive to 06/04/18
HB060418RV-H	Medical, retroactive to 06/04/18

ROLL CALL: 8-0 CARRIED

Agenda item #6.c. – The enrollment report as of June 2018 was attached to the agenda for informational purposes.

Agenda item #6.d. – Policy Revisions: The following policy was provided for a second reading:

- Policy No. 918 Title I Parent and Family Engagement

**Other:**

Mr. Piperato stated that 372 responses were received from faculty and staff from the end of year survey and he highlighted statements that were agreed upon or strongly agreed upon. Thirty-three members out of 41 of the SAC responded to a separate survey for which Mr. Piperato highlighted statements made that were agreed upon or strongly agreed upon.

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

Ms. Jecker motioned, seconded by Mr. Serfass to approve Agenda items #7.a. - #7.c. as follows:

Approval of Agenda item #7.a. – Hiring of Support Staff:

	Name	Position	Site	Salary	Start Date	Replace
1.	Jane Fisher	Secretary	PVMS	\$28,146	TBD	Marie Sottile

Approval of Agenda item #7.b. – Hiring of Administrative Staff:

1.	Name:	Sabrina Albright
	Position:	Assistant Principal – PVES
	Education Level:	BA – Sociology/Elementary Education MA – Classroom Technology MA – Educational Leadership
	Undergraduate School:	Moravian College
	Graduate School:	Wilkes University
	Certificate:	Elementary K-6, Level II National Board Generalist PREK-3 Principal K-12
	Experience:	2017-2018: Allentown School District, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher
	Salary:	\$73,000.00 (prorated)
	Effective Date:	TBD
2.	Name:	Kendal Askins
	Position:	Assistant Principal – PVIS
	Education Level:	BA – Mathematics/Education MA – Mathematics/Education Principal Certification
	Undergraduate School:	Queens College
	Graduate School:	Queens College Wilkes University
	Certificate:	Mathematics 7-12 Principal K-12
	Experience:	2014-2018: East Stroudsburg School District, Gifted Teacher 2007-2013: NYC Board of Education, Mathematics Teacher
	Salary:	\$73,000.00 (prorated)
	Effective Date:	TBD
3.	Name:	Todd Breiner
	Position:	Principal – PVIS
	Education Level:	BS – Health & Physical Education MA – Secondary Education Curriculum & Instruction Principal Certification
	Undergraduate School:	East Stroudsburg University
	Graduate School:	Kutztown University Penn State University
	Certificate:	Health K-12, Instructional II Health & Physical Ed K-12, Instructional II Safety Ed/Driver Ed 7-12, Instructional II

		Principal K-12, Administrative II
Experience:		2013-2018: East Penn School District: Assistant Principal 2012-2013: East Penn School District: Assistant to the Principal 2006-2012: East Penn School District: Health, Physical Education and Driver Education Teacher
Salary:		\$95,000.00 (prorated)
Effective Date:		TBD

Approval of Agenda item #7.c. – Change to Current Assignment – Support Staff:

	Name	Current Position	Current Building	New Position	New Building	Effective Date	Replaces
1.	Randy Smale	Maintenance Technician	N/A	Head of Maintenance	N/A	June 15, 2018	Jason Fisher
2.	Beth Green	Paraprofessional Associate (FT)	PVES	Paraprofessional Associate (FT)	PVMS	August 21, 2018	N/A

ROLL CALL: 8-0 CARRIED

Voting No on Agenda item #7.b.: Ms. Jecker,  
Ms. Yozwiak 6-2 CARRIED

Mr. Gould motioned, seconded by Ms. Yozwiak to approve Agenda items #7.d. – #7.f.:

Approval of Agenda item #7.d. – Change to Current Assignment – Professional Staff:

	Name	Current Position	Current Building	New Position	New Building	Effective Date	Replace
1.	Debra-Ann Bielawski	Reading Specialist	PVIS	Librarian	PVES	August 21, 2018	Lorraine Cangialosi
2.	Jennifer Bowman	Health & Physical Education	PVES	Health & Physical Education	PVIS	August 21, 2018	Deb Lynn Gibbons
3.	John Gesiskie	Health & Physical Education	PVES	Drivers Education	PVHS	August 21, 2018	Thomasine Falcone
4.	Karen Gianotti	2nd Grade	PVES	3rd Grade Remedial Math	PVES	August 21, 2018	Stacy Meckes
5.	Heather Kleinle	5th Grade	PVIS	Librarian	PVIS	August 21, 2018	Sandra Stone
6.	Christine Konstantopoulos	Health & Physical Education	PVES & PVHS	Health & Physical Education	PVHS	August 21, 2018	N/A
7.	Stacy Meckes	3rd Grade Remedial Math	PVES	2nd Grade Remedial Math	PVES	August 21, 2018	Kelly Sheeley
8.	George Pekurny	3rd Grade	PVES	Social Studies	PVES	August 21, 2018	Teresa Greggo
9.	Elizabeth Watson	Special Education	PVHS	Remedial Reading	PVIS	August 21, 2018	Mary Portz
10.	Valerie Rudawski	Dean of Students	PVES	Kindergarten Teacher	PVES	August 21, 2018	Christina Solinger
11.	Albert Miller	Special Education	PVHS	Special Education (Life Skills)	PVHS	August 21, 2018	Elizabeth Watson
12.	Heather Smeraldo	4th Grade	PVIS	Remedial Reading	PVIS	August 21, 2018	Debra Bielawski
13.	Amy Hafferty	Music	PVES	Music	PVMS	August 21, 2018	Rachel Frable
14.	Phillip Masiello	Gifted	PVHS	Health & Physical Education	PVES	August 21, 2018	Jennifer Bowman
15.	Kelli George	Dean of Students	PVIS	5th Grade	PVIS	August 21, 2018	Heather Kleinle

Approval of Agenda item #7.e. – Change to Current Assignment – Administrative Staff:

	Name	Current Position	New Position	Effective Date
1.	Diane Siani	Supervisor of Special Education - Secondary	Supervisor of Special Education - Elementary	August 21, 2018
2.	Angela Borealo	Assistant Principal - PVHS	Supervisor of Special Education - Secondary	August 21, 2018

Approval of Agenda item #7.f. – Addition to Current Employment:

	Name	Position	Salary	Start Date
1.	Janetta Beckles	Substitute Summer Camp Teacher	\$72 per day	July 2, 2018
2.	Rebecca Handelong	Substitute Summer Camp Teacher	\$72 per day	July 2, 2018
3.	Dawn Phillips	Substitute Summer Camp Teacher	\$72 per day	July 2, 2018

Prior to the roll call vote, Ms. Jecker questioned a position that was an internal transfer and expressed her concern about following policy.

ROLL CALL: 8-0 CARRIED  
 Voting No on Agenda item #7.e.: Ms. Jecker  
 7-1 CARRIED

Ms. Yozwiak motioned, seconded by Mr. Serfass to approve Agenda item #7.g. – #7.i. – Family and Medical Leave:

	Name	Position	Building	Number of Days	Date(s)
1.	Barbara Arroyo	Teacher	PVHS	Seventeen and One-half (17.5)	February 14, 22, 23, March 15, 16, 26, 27, 29, April 5, 6, 11, 13, 16, 24, 26, May 3, 17, 2018 (1) and April 3, 2018 (1/2)
2.	Deana Burger	Paraprofessional Associate	PVES	Four (4)	May 14, 21, June 4 and 11, 2018
3.	India Johnson	Paraprofessional Associate	PVMS	Three (3)	May 4, 17 and June 15, 2018
4.	Augie Kresge	Secretary	PVHS	Fifteen (15)	June 4, 2018 - June 22, 2018
5.	Shanna Mills	Teacher	PVES	Thirty (30)	June 4, 2018 - October 31, 2018
6.	Jared Rechenberger	Custodian	PVES	Four (4)	April 13, 18, 20 and June 8, 2018
7.	Danielle Staples	Teacher	PVES	One-half (1/2)	May 11, 2018

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

	Name	Position	Building	Date(s)	Reason
1.	Amy Keller	Paraprofessional Associate	PVHS	August 27, 2018 - December 14, 2018	PVESPA Collective Bargaining Agreement, Article IX, 4.C.

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

	Name	Position	Building	Number of Days	Date(s)
1.	Roxanne Altemose	Paraprofessional Associate (FT)	PVMS	One-half (1/2)	May 30, 2018
2.	Tabitha Barnes	Food Service Employee (PT)	PVES	Two (2)	May 8, 2018 and May 31, 2018
3.	Carol Bastos	Paraprofessional Associate (FT)	PVIS	Four (4)	May 18, 24, 25 and June 1, 2018
4.	Robin Baumgartner	Paraprofessional Associate (FT)	PVMS	One and One-half (1.5)	May 11 (1/2), May 21 (1/2) and June 4, 2018 (1/2)
5.	Patricia Cambria	Monitor (PT)	PVHS	Fifty-five (55)	March 28, 2018 - June 14, 2018
6.	Jennifer Carr	Monitor (PT)	PVMS	One (1)	June 4, 2018

7.	Amy Crilley	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)	PVES	One (1)	April 20, 2018
8.	Dorene Darabaris	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)	PVIS	One (1)	May 31, 2018
9.	Theresa Dinunzi	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)	PVIS	One (1)	May 24, 2018
10.	Amy Eckert	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)	PVIS	One (1)	May 16, 2018 and May 21, 2018
11.	Alison Fennell	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)	PVES	Two (2)	June 4, 2018 and June 5, 2018
12.	Georgia Fernicola	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)	PVES	Two (2)	May 10, 2018 and May 21, 2018
13.	Christina Fiorito-McGowan	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)	PVHS	Two (2)	May 2, 2018 and May 17, 2018
14.	Evelyn Garced	Monitor (PT)	PVMS	One (1)	May 22, 2018
15.	Lorraine Graf	Monitor (PT)	PVMS	One (1)	May 14, 2018
16.	Diana Graziano	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)	PVES	Six (6)	May 25, 2018 and June 11, 2018 - June 15, 2018
17.	Stephanie Havansky	Monitor (PT)	PVHS	Two (2)	May 25, 2018 and May 29, 2018
18.	Debra Howell	Paraprofessional Associate (FT)	PVMS	One (1)	May 31, 2018
19.	Lee-Ann Jacobson	Paraprofessional Associate (FT)	PVHS	One (1)	June 8, 2018
20.	Lisa King	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)	PVMS	One (1)	May 14, 2018
21.	Kimberly Kujawa	Paraprofessional Associate (FT)	PVHS	One and One-half (1.5)	May 21, 2018 (1) and June 1, 2018 (1/2)
22.	Denise Linkhorst	Teacher	PVES	One (1)	May 23, 2018
23.	Leanne Menear	Monitor (PT)	PVMS	One (1)	June 11, 2018
24.	Elizabeth Morgan	Monitor (PT)	PVES	One (1)	May 21, 2018
25.	Barbara Partyka	Food Service Employee (PT)	PVES	Five (5)	April 30, 2018 - May 4, 2018
26.	Rhonda Price	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)	PVIS	One (1)	May 23, 2018
27.	Jared Rechenberger	Custodian	PVES	One (1)	May 2, 2018
28.	Tammy Rose	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)	PVES	One (1)	June 14, 2018
29.	Brenda Russell	Food Service Employee (PT)	PVHS	Five (5)	June 7, 2018 - June 13, 2018
30.	Melissa Schimminger	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)	PVES	One (1)	June 8, 2018
31.	Sandra Seda	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)	PVES	One (1)	May 18, 2018
32.	Danielle Staples	Learning Support Teacher	PVES	Two (2)	May 17 (1/2), May 31 (1/2) and June 1, 2018 (1)
33.	Roland Steele	Custodian	PVIS	Three (3)	June 19, 2018 - June 21, 2018
34.	Danielle Unger	Teacher	PVHS	One and One-half (1.5)	May 14, 2018 (1/2) and May 18, 2018 (1)
35.	Tracy Valdevit	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)	PVIS	One (1)	June 4, 2018
36.	Dee Walsh	Monitor (PT)	PVHS	One (1)	May 16, 2018
37.	Bethanne Yanchick	Teacher	PVES	One and One-half (1.5)	March 23, 2018 (1) and May 14, 2018 (1/2)

ROLL CALL: 8-0 CARRIED

Ms. Jecker motioned, seconded by Ms. Yozwiak to approve Agenda item #7.j. - #7.l.:

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

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Building</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
1.	Diane Bednarek	Food Service Employee	PVIS	Conclusion of the 2017-2108 school year
2.	Evan Reese	Music Teacher	PVES	Conclusion of the 2017-2018 school year

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

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Building</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
1.	Stephanie Balliet	Paraprofessional Association (PT)	PVIS	June 12, 2018
2.	Barbara Bard	Monitor	PVMS	June 5, 2018
3.	Michael Marconi	Custodian	PVIS	May 2, 2018
4.	Jamie McDonnell	Guidance Counselor	PVES	August 19, 2018
5.	Tracy Valdevit	Paraprofessional Associate (PT)	PVIS	Conclusion of the 2017-2018 school year

Approval of Agenda item #7.l. – Settlement Agreement:

1. Settlement Agreement #20180614.01
2. Settlement Agreement #20180614.02

ROLL CALL: 8-0 CARRIED

Ms. Yozwiak motioned, seconded by Mr. Wunder to approve Agenda items #7.m. – #7.o.:

Approval of Agenda item #7.m.: New Positions – Supplemental Contract:

1. Grade K-8 Guidance Department Chair (formerly K-12 Guidance Department Chair position)
2. Grade 9-12 Guidance Department Chair (new)

Approval of Agenda item #7.n. – New Positions – Administrative:

1. Director of Curriculum & Instruction
2. Director of Technology

Approval of Agenda item #7.o. – Memorandum of Understanding between Pleasant Valley School District and the Pleasant Valley Education Association – Pleasant Valley High School – June 18, 2018 per attached.

ROLL CALL: 8-0 CARRIED

Voting No on Agenda item #7.n.1.: Ms. Jecker  
7-1 CARRIED

Mr. Piperato took this opportunity to thank the Board for approving additional administrative positions. He also introduced and welcomed the new administrative staff: Sabrina Albright, Assistant Principal at PVES; Kendall Askins, Assistant Principal at PVIS; and Todd Breiner, Principal at PVIS.

**CURRICULUM/STAFF DEVELOPMENT: Mr. Kenneth Newman**

Russ Gould motioned, seconded by Mr. Serfass to approve Agenda item #8.a.:

Approval of Agenda item #8.a. – Adoption of Textbook:

1. Attachment #1, unanimously chosen by the five geometry teachers
2. Attachment #2 and #3 are other titles evaluated for this purpose; they were not selected by the teacher group of evaluators.

ROLL CALL: 8-0 CARRIED

Agenda item #8.b. – Chemistry Presentation:

Ms. Maricatherine Garr, PVHS Science Teacher, Ms. Caroline Gold, PVHS Science Teacher, and Mr. Tim McCutchan, PVHS Instructional Coach, provided a presentation on Lego Chemistry. Students present provided hands-on demonstrations. The 2016-2017 results vs. the 2017-2018 results on Mole Conversion Quiz showed an overall score of 77% and 87% respectively. The final exam results were also compared and showed a 58% in 2016-2017 and a 76% in 2017-2018. Mr. Piperato thanked all for their hard work on this personalized learning during a very long journey. He thanked Ms. Shavonne Liddic for her leadership.



**SUPPORT SERVICES: Mr. David Piperato**

Ms. Yozwiak motioned, seconded by Mr. Gould to approve Agenda Item #9 as follows:

Approval of Agenda item #9.a. – 2017-2018 Intramural Advisors:

	Club/Activity	Advisor	Co-Advisor(s)	Dates/Days	Times	Building	Stipend
1.	Field Hockey	Brittany Angelica	Cory McKeever Corin Oermohle	12/6/17 – 7/31/18 Days vary	Varies based on availability	PVES/ PVHS	1.5 (\$1,785.00) Prorated based on number of hours
2.	Ecology Club Grades 5/6	Trevor Kresge		October 2017 – May 2018	4:00 PM – 5:00 PM	PVIS	Approved for up to \$500.00

Approval of Agenda item #9.b. – 2018-2019 Field Trip Request:

1.	Organization/Grade	FBLA/ 9-12
	Teacher(s) Involved	Denise Hopely
	Destination	Baltimore MD
	Purpose	FBLA Competition
	Date(s)	6/26/18 to 7/2/18
	District Buses Needed (#)	No
	Cost per Student	Approximately \$300 plus meals
	Cost for District	N/A
2.	Organization/Grade	FBLA/9-12
	Teacher(s) Involved	Denise Hopely
	Destination	Kalahari Resorts Mt. Pocono
	Purpose	FBLA State Leadership Workshop
	Date(s)	11/3/18 to 11/5/18
	District Buses Needed (#)	Yes - 1
	Cost per Student	\$100 - \$150
	Cost for District	N/A

Approval of Agenda item #9.c. – Long Term Substantial Volunteers:

	Volunteer Name	Building
1.	Tamara Manges	PVES
2.	Catherine Hansen	PVES

Approval of Agenda item #9.d. – Facility Usage Requests:

A.	Organization	Mountaintop Christian Community Church
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley Middle School Old Gym and Stage
	Purpose	100 Teens in Jeans Rally 2018 - A Unity rally for collecting Jeans for the homeless through the effects of the community and community churches.
	Dates/Times	Saturday, September 22, 2018 3pm – 6pm (Set-up to start at 1pm and clean-up until 8pm)
	Requestor	Betty Grant
	Attendance	300
	Tuition	Jean donation for entrance to event
	Fee by District	Class 3, All Appropriate Fees Apply

Approval of Agenda item #9.e. – 2018-2019 Fall Coaching Positions:

	Name	Sport	Position	Coaching Level	Salary
1.	Brian Miller	Football	Varsity Assistant	L1	Per Supplemental Contract
2.	James Ward	Football	Freshman Assistant	L4	Per Supplemental Contract

Approval of Agenda item #9.f. – 2018-2019 Athletic Director: Mr. James Percy, per Supplemental Contract.

Approval of Agenda item #9.g. – 2018-2019 Supplemental/Co-Curricular Positions:

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Salary</b>
1.	Jenna Rudolph	Class Advisor – 9 <sup>th</sup> gr.	Per Supplemental Contract
2.	Vanessa Fego	Class Advisor – 10 <sup>th</sup> gr.	Per Supplemental Contract
3.	Sandy D’Agostino	Class Advisor – 11 <sup>th</sup> gr.	Per Supplemental Contract
4.	Elaine Adams	Class Advisor – 12 <sup>th</sup> gr.	Per Supplemental Contract
5.	Jenna Rudolph	Class Advisor – 9 <sup>th</sup> gr.	Per Supplemental Contract
6.	Dan Mulligan	High School Drama Director	Per Supplemental Contract
7.	Marcie Mulligan	High School Asst. Drama Director	Per Supplemental Contract
8.	Donna Morris	High School Asst. Drama Director	Per Supplemental Contract
9.	Dan Mulligan	High School Musical Director	Per Supplemental Contract
10.	Marcie Mulligan	High School Asst. Musical Director	Per Supplemental Contract
11.	Nadine Snyder	Intermediate (PVI) Drama Director	Per Supplemental Contract
12.	Crystal Hicks	Intermediate (PVI) Asst. Drama Director	Per Supplemental Contract
13.	Alexandria Lucas	Middle School Drama Director	Per Supplemental Contract
14.	Amanda Altemose	Middle School Asst. Drama Director	Per Supplemental Contract
15.	Linda Reborchick	Middle School Musical Director	Per Supplemental Contract
16.	Robin Feerrar	Drama Set Design (MS)	Per Supplemental Contract
17.	Robin Feerrar	Musical Set Design (MS)	Per Supplemental Contract
18.	Sue McDermott	Set Painter (HS)	Per Supplemental Contract
19.	Lois Mann	Show Choir Director	Per Supplemental Contract
20.	Deborah Butchkoski/Lisa Wojton (split stipend)	Junior National Honor Society	Per Supplemental Contract
21.	James DeVivo	Music Honor Society	Per Supplemental Contract
22.	Paul Nale	Senior National Honor Society	Per Supplemental Contract
23.	Jacqueline Brinker	High School: “Bear Facts”	Per Supplemental Contract
24.	Kathleen Krall	Middle School: “Bear’s Den”	Per Supplemental Contract
25.	Suzanne Hunsicker	High School Student Government	Per Supplemental Contract
26.	Kathy Dekmar	Middle School Student Government	Per Supplemental Contract
27.	Philomena Reduzzi	High School – The Bruin – Yearbook	Per Supplemental Contract
28.	Sandy D’Agostino/Suzanne Hunsicker (split stipend)	Middle School Yearbook	Per Supplemental Contract
29.	Sheri Fallon	Advanced Placement Coordinator	Per Supplemental Contract

30.	George Boudman	Animation Club - HS	Per Supplemental Contract
31.	Robin Feerrar	Art Club – MS	Per Supplemental Contract
32.	Paul Nale	Chess Club - HS	Per Supplemental Contract
33.	Susan Scully	Chess Club – MS	Per Supplemental Contract
34.	Sally Saragusa	Computer Club - HS	Per Supplemental Contract
35.	Terry McDermott	Computer Club - MS	Per Supplemental Contract
36.	Holli Capricuso-Register	Dance Club	Per Supplemental Contract
37.	Barbara Arroyo	Debate Club	Per Supplemental Contract
38.	Stefanie Santiago	Diversity Club - MS	Per Supplemental Contract
39.	Ann Parham	Diversity Club – HS	Per Supplemental Contract
40.	Claudia Hill/Carol Priebe (split stipend)	Ecology Club – MS	Per Supplemental Contract
41.	Maricatherine Garr	Environthon	Per Supplemental Contract
42.	Denise Hopely	FBLA	Per Supplemental Contract
43.	Craig Morris	FBLA Assistant	Per Supplemental Contract
44.	Miranda Ford	FBLA Assistant	Per Supplemental Contract
45.	Miranda Ford/Lori Bettencourt (split stipend)	GSA (Gay, Straight Alliance) – HS	Per Supplemental Contract
46.	Barbara Arroyo	Graphic Novel Society - HS	Per Supplemental Contract
47.	Lois Mann	Guitar Club – HS	Per Supplemental Contract
48.	Elaine Adams	Key Club	Per Supplemental Contract
49.	Elizabeth Gesualdi	Leo Club	Per Supplemental Contract
50.	Bernadette Fierro	Literary Magazine – The Scrivner	Per Supplemental Contract
51.	Shannon Mackes/Nadine Scheller (split stipend)	SADD	Per Supplemental Contract
52.	Ann Parham	Scholastic Scrimmage – HS	Per Supplemental Contract
53.	Sandy D’Agostino	Scholastic Scrimmage – MS	Per Supplemental Contract
54.	Shannon Mackes/Andy Witinski (split stipend)	Science Club - HS	Per Supplemental Contract
55.	Shannon Mackes/Andy Witinski (split stipend)	Science Olympiad – Co-Advisors	Per Supplemental Contract
56.	Craig Morris	Stage Manager – HS	Per Supplemental Contract
57.	Holli Capricuso-Register	Stage Manager Assistant	Per Supplemental Contract
58.	Craig Morris	Video Club	Per Supplemental Contract
59.	Jillian Michaels	Woodwind Ensemble – MS	Per Supplemental Contract

Approval of Agenda item #9.h. – 2018-2019 Band Positions:

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Salary</b>
1.	James DeVivo	Jazz Band Director - HS	Per Supplemental Contract
2.	James DeVivo	Marching Band Director - HS	Per Supplemental Contract
3.	Aaron Boligitz	Marching Band Assistant Director - HS	Per Supplemental Contract
4.	Chad Snyder	Marching Band Assistant - HS	Per Supplemental Contract
5.	Mark VanAuken	Marching Band Assistant - HS	Per Supplemental Contract
6.	Chad Snyder	Pep Band - HS	Per Supplemental Contract
7.	McKenna Sickels	Marching Band Volunteer - HS	

ROLL CALL: 8-0 CARRIED

Agenda item #9.i. – Informational: District Events – June 15, 2018 through June 28, 2018:

- Friday, June 15, 2018 – PVHS Commencement 7:00 PM
- Thursday, June 28, 2018 – Board of Education Meeting 7:00 PM District Office

**BUSINESS MANAGEMENT: Ms. Susan Famularo**

Mr. Wunder motioned, seconded by Mr. Serfass to approve Agenda item #10 as follows:

Approval of Agenda item #10.a. – 2018 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolutions as attached.

The maximum homestead assessment exclusion will be \$3,368. The maximum farmstead assessment exclusion will be \$3,368. The maximum homestead tax exclusion will be \$498.63. The maximum farmstead tax exclusion will be \$498.63.

ROLL CALL: 8-0 CARRIED

Ms. Jecker motioned, seconded by Mr. Zacharias to approve Agenda item #10.b. – Debt Parameters Resolution to fund Capital Projects, as attached.

ROLL CALL: 8-0 CARRIED

Ms. Yozwiak motioned, seconded by Ms. Jecker to approve Agenda items #10.c. - #10.h.:

Approval of Agenda item #10.c. – Cafeteria Fund as attached:

Cafeteria Accounts Payable for June 14, 2018 – Total Amount \$39,520.56  
 Asset Cost Summary May 2018

Approval of Agenda item #10.d. – The following contacts:

- Approval is requested for the Letter of Agreement between Carbon-Monroe-Pike Drug and Alcohol Commission, Inc. and the Pleasant Valley School District for Drug and Alcohol Primary Prevention and SAP/Intervention Services for School year 2018-2019 in the amount of \$35,000. This agreement will provide Pleasant Valley School District five (5) days of services weekly over a period of 38 weeks.
- Leon Clapper, Inc. Plumbing Heating & Water Conditioning. Cost: \$4,100.00. Install well water sediment filter in Pleasant Valley Elementary well house.
- Miller Flooring Co., Sports Construction Division. Cost: \$8,531.87. Pleasant Valley Middle School "Old" and "New" Gym floor repair, screen & recoat.
- TruGreen. Cost: \$1,491.80. Application of fertilizer and vegetation control on Pleasant Valley Middle School athletic fields.
- Johnson Controls. Cost: \$15,868.22. Upgrade of PVI Fire Panel to a Simplex 4100ES. Current panel is obsolete and parts are unavailable.
- Overhead Door Company of Allentown. Cost: \$2,100.00. Bus Compound Garage Door Repair.
- Franklin Covey Client Sales, Inc. Cost: \$6,678.34. Workshop - The Leader in Me "Rethinking Leadership", June 14, 2018 to be held at Pleasant Valley Intermediate School.
- Scholastic Book Fair. Pleasant Valley Elementary School to hold Fall 2018 Book Fair - September 3, 2018 - September 10, 2018.
- Scholastic Book Fair. Pleasant Valley Elementary School to hold Spring 2019 Book Fair - May 6, 2019 - May 10, 2019.
- Popcorn Fundraiser and Bottled Water. Fundraiser for Key Club at Pleasant Valley High School. After school hours August 2018 to June 2019.
- Community Trick-or-Treat Night. Fundraiser SGA/All High Classes. Admission to a Safe Trick-or-Treat Night October 23, 2018.

- L. Pennsylvania Department of Education. Bureau of Special Education - School Based Access Program (SBAP) for the 2018-2019 school year. Dates of Services 7/1/18 to 6/30/19, Direct Service \$0.33/claim and Transportation \$0.19/claim.
- M. Fundraiser for Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation. Fundraiser for the entire school district to participate June 8, 2018.
- N. CD Waterproofing Corporation. Cost: \$4,250.00. PVI Sealant and Flashing Repairs at Masonry Joints.
- O. Barry Isett & Associates, Inc. Cost: \$3,900.00. To provide design of the drinking water corrosion inhibitor system for Pleasant Valley Middle School.
- P. Fundraiser for Class of 2021. Snacks to be sold during the West End Academy of Dance recital on June 9, 2018.
- Q. Car Wash. Fundraiser for Leo Club at Pleasant Valley High School on May 26, 2018.
- R. The Flag Store. Cost: \$3.50 per flag. Sell Solar American Flags October 1 to November 1, 2018. Fundraiser for FBLA at Pleasant Valley High School.
- S. Country Meats.com. Fundraiser for Class of 2019. Meat sticks to be sold October 2018 to November 2018.
- T. Dr. Mary L. Sharp-Ross, NSCP. Cost: \$4,000.00. Full psychoeducational evaluation and written report.
- U. Schneider Electric Energy Services Contract. Cost: \$1,722,095. Comprehensive Lighting Retrofit, Cooler/Freezer Upgrades as per contract.
- V. TRANE. Cost: \$3,725.00/prepay 1 year in advance to receive discount. Pleasant Valley High School Trane Chiller Service Agreement beginning July 1, 2018.
- W. TRANE. Cost: \$4,055.00/prepay 1 year in advance to receive discount. Pleasant Valley Intermediate School Trane Chiller Service Agreement beginning July 1, 2018.
- X. TRANE. Cost: \$3,183.00/prepay 1 year in advance to receive discount. Pleasant Valley Elementary School Trane Chiller Service Agreement beginning July 1, 2018.

Approval of Agenda item #10.e. – Bonding Figures: In Accordance with PA School Code requirements, each year the Board of Education must review bonding figures and have them recorded in the minutes. The following are the positions affected and corresponding bond amounts:

- District Employees
  - Bond Treasurer - \$20,000
  - Business Manager - \$100,000
  - Superintendent - \$25,000
  - Blanket Policy (all other employees) - \$20,000

Approval of Agenda item #10.f. – BHA – Behavioral Health Associates – Cost Savings Program: Request for the partnering with BHA in the cost savings program for the 2018-2019 school year. The program requests a 20% down payment in advance allowing BHA to offer reduced daily tuition rates. The down payment is due on July 17, 2018 and returned to Pleasant Valley School District in five equal installments from October 2018 through February 2019.

Approval of Agenda item #10.g. – Legal Services for 2018-2019:

- A. Bollinger Law Firm LLC for the 2018-2019 school year at an hourly rate not to exceed \$225.00.
- B. Levin Legal Group for the 2018-2019 school year at an hourly rate not to exceed \$200.00
- C. Sweet, Stevens, Katz and Williams LLP for the 2018-2019 school year at an hourly rate not to exceed \$195.00.
- D. King, Spry, Herman, Freund and Faul, LLC for the 2018-2019 school year at an hourly rate not to exceed \$175.00.

Approval of Agenda item #10.h. – Establishment of a PVSD Student Activity Fund: D.O.O.S. – Different Outlooks on Society.

Prior to the roll call vote, Ms. Jecker questioned the possibility of combining the legal services of Agenda item #10.g. Ms. Famularo stated that there are still cases open with the law firms. Ms. Yozwiak questioned if Agenda item #10.g.D. can be combined with Agenda item #10.g.B.&C. Mr. Piperato stated that these are hourly rates upon use of their services. Ms. Yozwiak expressed her desire to have more discussion on this matter.

ROLL CALL: 8-0 CARRIED  
 Voting No on Agenda item #10.g.B.&D.: Ms. Jecker 7-1 CARRIED  
 Abstained on Agenda item #10.d.A.: Mr. Cocuzzo 7-0-1 CARRIED (Abstention form attached)

Agenda item #10.i. – Informational: Student Activity Accounts:

Beginning Balance May 1, 2018: \$ 293,905.36

Receipts: \$ 40,505.85

Expenditures: \$ 59,021.11

Ending Balance, May 31, 2018: \$ 275,390.10

SOLICITOR: **Michele Mintz, Esq.** – No report.

**PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DIRECTORS:**

Mr. Wunder stated that in the interest of ending the school year on a good note, he proposed that a letter be sent from the Pleasant Valley Board of Education addressed to faculty and staff. Mr. Wunder provided the Board with the proposed letter for which he read and it is also attached herewith. It included thanking each and every employee of the District for the progress made by the entire organization over the course of the past school year. In addition, the letter outlined many of the accomplishments that have been achieved by the District as evidenced by the initiatives we are exploring for the future and things that we as a District and Board are proud of, many of which were provided at our Board meetings. Mr. Wunder read on and stated that the Board of Education is proud of its administration led by Mr. Piperato promoting honesty and integrity guiding us in addressing the challenges we face. Mr. Wunder expressed the desire to send this letter to all faculty and staff.

Mr. Serfass motioned, seconded by Mr. Gould to approve a letter addressed to all faculty and staff from the Pleasant Valley Board of Education.

Prior to the roll call vote, Mr. Peeters expressed that he would prefer to handle the matter differently. Ms. Yozwiak expressed concern that certain accomplishments, etc. are overlooked and feels people would feel slighted including MCTI. Ms. Jecker expressed concern that a letter cannot express enough appreciation.

ROLL CALL: 4-4 NOT CARRIED

Voting No: Ms. Jecker, Mr. Peeters, Ms. Yozwiak, Mr. Zacharias

Ms. Jecker shared good news about D.J. Greenzweig, a PV Senior and four-year Varsity Cheerleader and Captain of this year's squad, has been selected to be on the All American UCA Cheer Squad. She is the first cheerleader to have this honor.

**PLEASANT VALLEY CITIZENS:** None.

Mr. Peeters announced that the Board will be having an executive session immediately following this meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Ms. Yozwiak motioned, seconded by Ms. Jecker to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 PM.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Famularo, Board Secretary

Debra L. Duff, Board Recorder

Next regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting: June 28, 2018 @ 7:00 PM