

**PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Board of Education Meeting**  
**August 3, 2006**

**Board approved 8/17/06**

Excellence in Education: A Community Commitment

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The regular meeting of the Pleasant Valley School District Board of Education was called to order by President Thomas Murphy, on Thursday, August 3, 2006 at 8:00 p.m. President Murphy welcomed those present followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was held in the Pleasant Valley School District Offices, Brodheadsville, PA.

**ROLL CALL:**

**Board Attendees:** President Thomas Murphy    H. Charles Hoffman    Susan Kresge  
Treasurer Russ Gould                    Ryan Hinton                    Linda Micklos

**Board Absentees:** Vice-President John Sabia, Harvey Frable, MiChelle Palmer

**Administrative Attendees:** Mr. Fadule, Ms. Les, Mr. Stefani

**Solicitor:** Mr. Gerard Geiger

President Thomas Murphy announced Notification of Executive Sessions as follows:

- ▶ August 3, 2006 – Personnel (new and replacement staff)

**MEETING PROCEDURES:**

President Thomas Murphy referred to the agenda that was available to everyone present and to the meeting procedures that were attached.

**PLEASANT VALLEY CITIZENS:**

Christeen O'Neill, Ross Township, expressed her concerns that a district employee was spreading personal information about her daughters. The district employee is scheduled to be hired for a different position and Ms. O'Neill commented that she would like to have that hiring postponed. President Murphy responded that he spoke with the building principal who was comfortable with the person's hiring. Ms. O'Neill is concerned about this individual's ethics. She feels that this individual is in violation of board policy. Ms. O'Neill stated that she will proceed with an advocate.

**OTHER:**

None

**SECRETARY'S REPORT: Ms. Linda Zeliznik, Board Recorder**

H. Charles Hoffman motioned; seconded by Ryan Hinton to approve the minutes of the meeting held on July 20, 2006:

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**Roll Call: Voice Vote - Carried**

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**TREASURER'S REPORT: Mr. Russ Gould**

Linda Micklos motioned; seconded by H. Charles Hoffman to approve the Accounts Payable 8/1/06-8/3/06 on pages 12-14 per the attached copies.

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**Roll Call: 6-0 Carried**

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**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Solicitor: Mr. Gerard Geiger, Mr. Daniel Corveleyn**

No report

**OTHER**

No reports

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Monroe Career and Technical Institute: Ms. Susan Kresge**

No report

**Colonial IU 20 - Mr. Ryan Hinton**

No report.

**Legislative Report – Mr. Ryan Hinton**

No report. Mr. Hinton stated that he would be stepping down as legislative representative due to job responsibilities.

**Student Representative**

No report.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS/REQUESTS: Mr. Anthony Fadule**

Mr. Fadule stated that Policy 237 – Use of Communication Devices, Cellular Telephones, Pagers, and Other Devices recommendation for approval will be at the August 17, 2006 meeting

Susan Kresge motioned; seconded by Linda Micklos to approve Policy 117 – Homebound Instruction

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**Roll Call: 6-0 Carried**

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**2006-2007 District Goals on page 15**

Mr. Fadule stated that Dr. Pullo will be recommending approval at the August 17, 2007 meeting

**Other:**

H. Charles Hoffman motioned; seconded by Susan Kresge to approve the appointment of Mr. Russell Gould as Board Treasurer at an annual stipend of \$650 retroactive to July 1, 2006

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**Roll Call: 6-0 Carried**

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**Personnel and General Administration: Mr. Anthony Fadule**

Russ Gould motioned; seconded by Susan Kresge to approve item #6.4.1- #6.4.3 on pages 16-18 and item #6.4.1-#6.4.3 on the addendum with one revision noted: page 1 on the addendum, #6.4.1.2.1 salary is prorated. Request is as follows:

- 6.4 Personnel and General Administration - August 3, 2006
- 6.4.1 Hiring of Personnel (The hiring of all personnel is pending receipt of all required paperwork)
  - 6.4.1.1 Support Staff
    - 6.4.1.1.1 The following individuals were approved for the position of custodian:
      - a. Rickie Kuntzman, effective August 7, 2006. (Replacement position for Duane Hubbard). His 2006-2007 school assignment is PVI.
      - b. Carole Rothrock, effective August 24, 2006. (New position). Her 2006-2007 school year assignment is PVE.
      - c. Henry Snyder, effective August 24, 2006. (New position). His 2006-2007 school year assignment is the high school.
    - 6.4.1.1.2 Terry Howell was approved for the position of maintenance worker, effective August 7, 2006. (Replacement position for Randy George)
    - 6.4.1.1.3 Substitutes
      - a. Stephanie Overpeck - Custodian
      - b. Rocco Seiler - Computer Technician/  
Summer Computer Technician, retroactive to June 19, 2006.
    - 6.4.1.1.4 Security
      - 6.4.1.1.4.1 Stephanie Overpeck was approved for the position of casual security officer at the hourly wage of \$9.50.
  - 6.4.1.2 Professional Staff
    - 6.4.1.2.1 Pleasant Valley High School
      - 6.4.1.2.1.1 Luke Morris BS, Step 2  
BS, Business/Computer Salary=\$34,200  
Education  
Delaware Valley College  
(Replacement business/computer position for Maura Angle)

6.4.1.2.2	Pleasant Valley Middle School		
6.4.1.2.2.1	Kristina Carone	BS + 57, Step 1	Salary=\$35,050
	BS, Biology		
	Univ. of Scranton		
	Science Certification		
	ESU		
	(Replacement earth & space science teacher for James Bleil)		
6.4.1.2.2.2	Alexandria Gibb	MS, Step 1	Salary=\$36,100
	BA, Social Studies		
	MA, Reading		
	ESU		
	(Replacement reading teacher for Pat Kotula)		
6.4.1.2.3	Pleasant Valley Intermediate School		
6.4.1.2.3.1	Noreen Ciarleglio	BS + 15, Step 5	Salary+\$35,300
	BA, Elementary		
	St. Francis College		
	(Replacement 5 <sup>th</sup> grade teacher for Tom Williams)		
6.4.1.2.3.2	Kimberly Garrison	MS, Step 1	Salary=\$36,100
	BS, Biology		
	MA, Curriculum & Instr.		
	Bloomsburg Univ.		
	(Replacement 7 <sup>th</sup> grade life science teacher for Frank Butkofski)		
6.4.1.2.3.3	Jessica Mack	BS + 10, Step 4	Salary=\$34,800
	BS, Elementary		
	University of Scranton		
	(Replacement 5 <sup>th</sup> grade teacher for John Konawalik)		
6.4.1.2.3.4	Troy Margeson	BS, Step 1	Salary=\$34,000
	BS, Elementary		
	ESU		
	(Replacement 5 <sup>th</sup> grade teacher for Shirley Haydt)		
6.4.1.2.4	Pleasant Valley Elementary School		
6.4.1.2.4.1	Michael Hyde was approved for a change of employment status from part-time music teacher to full-time music teacher. (New 0.5 position)		
6.4.1.2.5	Polk Elementary School		
6.4.1.2.5.1	Jason Menghini	BS, Step 1	Salary=\$34,000
	BA, Elementary		
	Kings College		
	(Replacement position for Jennifer Hackett)		
6.4.1.2.5.2	Todd Urand	BS, Step 1	Salary=\$34,000
	BS, Elementary		
	ESU		
	(Replacement 4 <sup>th</sup> grade teacher for Cia Kneebone)		
6.4.1.2.6	Chestnuthill Elementary School		
6.4.1.2.6.1	Nancy Ulba	BS, Step 1	Salary=\$34,000
	BA, Psychology		
	PSU		
	Elementary Certification		
	ESU		
	(1 <sup>st</sup> semester long-term substitute 1 <sup>st</sup> grade teacher for Sarah Sipler)		
6.4.2	Leaves of Absence		
6.4.2.1	Leave Without Pay		

6.4.2.1.1 Helen Sabo, high school secretary, was approved to withdraw her previously approved unpaid leave for five (5) days, effective August 7 through August 11, 2006.

6.4.3 Resignation

Approval was granted to accept the letters of resignation from the following employees:

- a. James Bleil, middle school earth & space science teacher, effective July 25, 2006.
- b. Tom Eisler, PVI gifted teacher, effective September 19, 2006, or sooner, depending upon release.
- c. Sarah Massey, high school special education teacher, effective August 23, 2006. Ms. Massey wishes to remain on the substitute teacher list for homebound instruction.

6.4 Personnel and General Administration - Addendum August 3, 2006

6.4.1 Hiring of Personnel (The hiring of all personnel is pending receipt of all required paperwork)

6.4.1.1 Support Staff

6.4.1.1.1 The following individuals were approved for the position of para-professional associate at an annual salary of \$18,900, prorated, effective August 24, 2006:

2006-07 School Year Assignment

- a. Carrie Poskitt PVE  
(New part-time position)
- b. Pat Rubelowsky PVE  
(Replacement part-time position for Cynthia Henninger)
- c. Deana DeFluri PVE  
(Replacement part-time position for Erica Wolf)
- d. Mary Smith PVE  
(Replacement full-time position for Melissa Policelli-Duvo)

6.4.1.1.2 The following individuals were approved for the position of monitor at an hourly rate of \$8.15, effective August 24, 2006:

2006-07 School Year Assignment

- a. **TABLED**
- b. Linda Napolitano PVE  
(Replacement position for Deanna DeFluri)

6.4.1.1.3 Substitutes

- a. Jennifer Steigerwalt - Summer Computer Technician

6.4.1.2 Professional Staff

6.4.1.2.1 Pleasant Valley Middle School

- 6.4.1.1.2.1 Drew Dymond BA + 45, Step 1  
BA, History Salary=\$35,050  
ESU prorated  
(Part-time Level II replacement social studies position for Jason Azarovich)

6.4.1.1.3 Pleasant Valley Elementary School

- 6.4.1.1.3.1 Kristin Wolf BA, Step 1  
BA, Communications Salary=\$34,000  
Worcester State College  
Teacher certification  
Rider University  
(Long-term substitute teacher for Danielle Argot)

- 6.4.1.1.3.2 Lauren Moore BS, Step 1  
BS, Special Ed. and Salary=\$34,000  
Elementary Ed.  
(Kutztown Univ.)

(Replacement special education teacher for Ellen Mannhaupt)

- 6.4.2 Leaves of Absence
  - 6.4.2.1 Family & Medical Leave
    - 6.4.2.1.1 Vicki Camaerei, bookkeeper, was approved for an extension of her family & medical leave for twenty one (21) days, effective June 26 through July 25, 2006 and unpaid leave through October 30, 2006.
- 6.4.3 Resignation
  - Approval was granted to accept the letters of resignation from the following employees:
    - d. Melissa Policelli-Duvo, PVE para-professional associate, effective August 23, 2006.
    - b. Ellen Mannhaupt, PVE special education teacher, effective July 31, 2006.

- ▶ Susan Kresge commented that she would be voting no on item #6.4.1.1.2.a due to the issue regarding Ms. O'Neill's concerns. Ms. Kresge feels that there are two sides to every story and would like to know more about the issue.

Russ Gould amended the motion; seconded by Susan Kresge to approve item #6.4.1- #6.4.3 on pages 16-18 and item #6.4.1- #6.4.3 on the addendum with one revision noted: page 1 on the addendum, #6.4.1.2.1 salary is prorated and to table item #6.4.1.1.2a on the addendum.

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**Roll Call: 6-0 Carried**

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**Asst. To The Superintendent For Professional/Support Personnel: Mr. Anthony Fadule**

Susan Kresge motioned; seconded by H. Charles Hoffman to approve item #6.5.9.1 as follows:

- 6.5.9.1 Organization Pocono Family YMCA
  - Facility Requested High School Track/Outdoor Grounds
  - Purpose Nature Run
  - Dates/Times September 24, 2006, Sunday, 8:00am-1:00pm, Rain date, October 1, 2006, Sunday, 8:00am-1:00pm
  - Requestor Kristina Landaeta
  - Attendance 60
  - Tuition None
  - Fee by District Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply
- 6.5.9.2 Organization Pocono Family YMCA
  - Facility Requested PVI Football Field
  - Purpose Youth Flag Football
  - Dates/Times September 24, 2006 - November 4, 2006, Sundays, 8:00am - 2:00pm
  - Requestor Nicole Hill
  - Attendance 100
  - Tuition None
  - Fee by District Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply
- 6.5.9.3 Organization Pocono Family YMCA
  - Facility Requested PVI Gymnasium
  - Purpose Youth Basketball
  - Dates/Times September 23, 2006 - October 29, 2006, Saturdays, 8:00am-12:00pm
  - Requestor Nicole Hill
  - Attendance 100
  - Tuition None
  - Fee by District Class2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply
- 6.5.9.4 Organization Pocono Family YMCA
  - Facility Requested PVI Cafeteria
  - Purpose Teen Dance

	Dates/Times	Second Saturday of Month Starting November 11,2006 - May 12, 2007, 6:00pm - 10:30pm
	Requestor	Kristina Landaeta
	Attendance	350
	Tuition	\$5.00 Non-members, \$4.00 members
	Fee by District	Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply
6.5.9.5	Organization	PV Cubs
	Facility Requested	High School Football Stadium
	Purpose	Homecoming Game
	Dates/Times	October 7, 2006
	Requestor	Bridget Shanley
	Attendance	300+
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply
6.5.9.6	Organization	Pleasant Valley Choral Society
	Facility Requested	High School New Auditorium
	Purpose	Holiday Concert
	Dates/Times	December 5, 2006, Tuesday, 6:00pm - 10:30pm - Rehearsal December 8, 2006, Friday, 4:00pm -10:30pm- Rehearsal December 9, 2006, Saturday, 6:00pm - 10:00pm - Concert December 10, 2006, Sunday, 2:00pm -6:00pm - Concert December 15 -17, 2006, Friday -Sunday, Same as Above-Snow Dates
	Requestor	Janet Serfass
	Attendance	300+
	Tuition	\$6.00
	Fee by District	Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply
6.5.9.7	Organization	Pocono Family YMCA
	Facility Requested	PVE Gymnasium
	Purpose	Youth Soccer League
	Dates/Times	January 20, 2007 - March 24, 2007, Saturdays, 12:00pm - 3:00pm, Sundays, 12:00pm -2:30pm
	Requestor	Nicole Hill
	Attendance	100
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply
6.5.9.8	Organization	PV Cubs
	Facility Requested	Middle School Athletic Fields
	Purpose	Games
	Dates/Times	August 26, 2006, Saturday, 7:00am-8:00pm
	Requestor	Bridget Shanley
	Attendance	300+
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply
6.5.9.9	Organization	Monroe County Recreation
	Facility Requested	PVE 2 Music Rooms
	Purpose	Children's Dance
	Dates/Times	September 20,2006 - May 25, 2007, Wednesdays, 4:00pm-7:00pm, Fridays, 4:30pm - 6:30pm

Requestor	Roberta Feierstein
Attendance	30
Tuition	\$330.00
Fee by District	Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply

**Roll Call: 6-0 Carried**

**Curriculum and Staff Development: Ms. Carole Rissmiller**

No report

**Elementary Division**

No report

**Pleasant Valley Middle School**

No report

**Pleasant Valley High School**

No report

**Business Manager: Ms. Donna Les, Ms. Monica Kotzmann**

Ms Les asked to table item #6.10.4.2 on the addendum.  
 Ryan Hinton motioned; seconded by H. Charles Hoffman is approve items #6.10.1-#6.10.3 and item #6.10.4.1 on the addendum as follows:

6.10.1 Approval is requested to advertise for sealed bids for the following items:

Spring Athletic Equipment and Supplies  
 Maintenance Van

6.10.2 At the last board meeting, the bid for the communication system was awarded to Communication Systems, Inc. for a total price of \$35,035.00. It is requested that the board amend this approval to exclude the upgrades to the Middle School, thereby reducing the total bid price to \$31,635.00.

6.10.3 Approval is requested to contract with Arthurs, Lestrangle/Ferris Baker Watts to provide the administrative analysis which is required for the tax study commission under Act 1 of 2006. The cost for this service will be \$2,500 payable from the 2006-07 business office budget. Must prove verification that report will provide all data needed and will not exceed \$2500.

6.10.4 Business Management – Addendum August 3, 2006

6.10.4.1 Approval was granted to purchase a security vehicle from Keystone Used Auto Sales, Inc., Brodheadsville as follows:

2001 Jeep Cherokee, 60,00	\$9,998.00
includes transfer and license	

All four mechanics looked over the vehicle and found it to be in good condition. Funds were included in the 2006-2007 budget for the purchase of this vehicle.

6.10.4.2 TABLED

**Roll Call: 6-0 Carried**

**Solicitor: Mr. Daniel Corveleyn, Mr. Gerard Geiger**

No report

**Pleasant Valley School Directors:**

- ▶ President Murphy commented on the tabling of item #6.4.11.2a stating that anyone could make comments about someone and I am not sure we should be taking that persons statement as a reason not to hire or fire someone.

**Pleasant Valley Citizens:**

None

**Adjournment:**

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Thomas Murphy motioned, seconded by H. Charles Hoffman and unanimously by the Board to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:19 PM.

Carried

<b>NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: August 17, 2006 AT 8:00 PM, District Office</b>
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Respectfully submitted,

Donna Les  
Board Secretary

Linda Zeliznik  
Board Recorder