

PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education Meeting
February 15, 2007

Board Approved March 15, 2007 Excellence in Education: A Community Commitment

The regular meeting of the Pleasant Valley School District Board of Education was called to order by President Thomas Murphy, on Thursday, February 15, 2007 at 8:04 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	Michelle Palmer	Linda Micklos
	Vice-President John Sabia	Susan Kresge	
	Treasurer Russ Gould	Ryan Hinton	
Board Absentees:	Harvey Frable		
	H. Charles Hoffman		
Administrative Attendees:	Dr. Pullo, Mr. Fadule, Ms. Rissmiller, Ms. Les, Ms. Zeliznik, Mr. C. Fisher, Ms. Kotzmann, Ms. Caines, Mr. Drake, Ms. Grammes, Mr. Gress, Mr. Heath, Mr. Kello, Ms. McMasters, Ms Meckes, Mr. Meinhart, Mr. Scott, Mr. Stefani, Mr. Wunder		
Solicitor:	Mr. Daniel Corveleyn		

President Thomas Murphy announced Notification of Executive Sessions as follows

- ▶ January 25, 2007 (after regular meeting) - Legal
- ▶ February 15, 2007 - Personnel (Hiring of new positions - full-time, part-time, and substitute); Legal - Grievance.

GOOD NEWS

Polk/Eldred - Ms. Kris Meckes, Mr. Patrick Smith

Ms. Meckes acknowledged to everyone the posters on display around the board room that had been presented by Polk Elementary. She explained that Eldred Elementary had four projects this year and showed a PowerPoint presentation displaying them. The children participated in a pilot reading program called Success 360 and also an Amish Quilt project. Each classroom designed their own square in the quilt, it was then taken to be assembled and then presented to Nickel Mine community, an Amish community in Pennsylvania. The children have also decorated the school in honor of Black History Month. The building tour displays artwork, posters, a photo collection and music representing the black culture.

Mr. Fisher introduced Mike Grabovitz, representative from Step by Step Learning. Mr. Grabovitz briefly explained that the Pleasant Valley School district was issued a \$200,000 grant. The money is being used for a new program called Step by Step Learning. The program uses strategies to analyze data and then apply appropriate interventions. The program identifies pre-kindergarten through grade one students who are not reading at grade level and at risk. He explained how teacher and school administrators were trained to use Dibels assessments. The training continued with interpreting the data and learning best practices for instruction. A Pre-Kindergarten Parent Awareness program was developed and continues to meet from December through May with each session covering different strategies for reading. Mr. Grabovitz thanked Ms. Rissmiller and the team of administrators and teachers who were making the program a success at PV.

PLEASANT VALLEY CITIZENS:

Marie Anderson, Eldred Township, stated that she had an issue recently at PV Intermediate School and had spoken with Mr. Frable regarding such. She asked the board if they had been informed by Mr. Frable of the issue. President Murphy indicated that they had not spoken with Mr. Frable. She expressed her opinions by stating that she wanted to meet with the school board and Dr. Pullo to rectify the issue and repeatedly asked for a meeting time and date. Mr. Corveleyn interrupted and explained to Ms. Anderson that although she is entitled to attend the public hearing, that this was not the time or place to discuss the issue. President Murphy stated that when the board adjourned to executive session, they would discuss the issue and Dr. Pullo would contact her.

MEETING PROCEDURES:

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

OTHER:

None

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

Ryan Hinton motioned; seconded by John Sabia to approve the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, January 25, 2007 as per the attached copy.

Roll Call: Voice Vote - Carried

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mr. Russ Gould

John Sabia motioned; seconded by Linda Micklos to approve the Budget Transfers on pages 12-13; Accounts Payable 1/1/07 - 1/31/07 -Manual Checks on page 14; Accounts Payable 02/1/07-02/15/07 on pages 15-21; Trial Balance / Financial Statement on pages 22-28 as per the attached copies.

Roll Call: 7-0 Carried

The Asset Cost Summary on page 29 and the Revenues/Expenditures on pages 30-33 were included for information only.

OLD BUSINESS:

Solicitor: Mr. Daniel Corveleyn, Mr. Gerard Geiger

No report

OTHER

No reports

NEW BUSINESS:

Monroe Career and Technical Institute: Ms. Linda Micklos

Ms. Micklos reported that the Skills USA competition took place and several PVSD students received metals. She stated that over 60% of the metals awarded were to MCTI students. Ms. Micklos stated that the Joint Operating Committee approved the preliminary budget which was sent to participating school districts for review. Ms. Moyer will be attending the next board meeting to answer any questions. She also stated that negotiations are being held with support staff and Mr. Hoffman is on that committee. She stated that there was a meeting with superintendents to begin discussing next year's calendar.

Colonial Intermediate Unit 20: Mr. Ryan Hinton

Mr. Hinton reported that the next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 28th at 6:30 pm in Easton.

PSBA Liaison Report: Ms. Susan Kresge

No report

Student Representative: Darlene Smith

No report

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: Dr. Frank A. Pullo

Dr. Pullo referred to the enrollment report on page 34 stating that as of February 15, 2007 there are 6858 students.

Policy Revisions (Copy provided at last Board Meeting)

Dr. Pullo stated that the policy has been reviewed by Ms McMasters, Ms. Caines and Attorney Ford. He highlighted the changes to the policy and the following action occurred:

Susan Kresge motioned; seconded by Linda Micklos to approve Policy 113.1 - Discipline of Students With Disabilities as per the attached copy

Roll Call: 7-0 Carried

Other

John Sabia motioned; seconded by Thomas Murphy to approve the recommendation to reject Grievance Bu-04/11/09/06

Roll Call: 7-0 Carried

John Sabia motioned; seconded by Ryan Hinton to approve the Waiver of Policy 201 for Student ID #102729

Roll Call: 5-2 Carried Voting no: T. Murphy, M. Palmer

John Sabia motioned; seconded by Susan Kresge to approve the Settlement of a Special Education Complaint at a cost of \$17,750

Roll Call: 7-0 Carried

Russ Gould motioned; seconded by Linda Micklos to approve the following School Affiliated Organizations

- Pleasant Valley Girls Soccer Parent Organization
 - Pleasant Valley Baseball Booster Club
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Roll Call: 7-0 Carried

2006-2007 Calendar - Update

Dr. Pullo stated that we have now used 4 snow days and the last day of school for students is June 8th.

Dr. Pullo stated that he is planning on filing a waiver for snow day #1 because of the circumstances. He stated that as of now commencement is still scheduled for June 8th but if we use one more snow day, commencement may have to be moved to June 15th. This could result in the senior class making up a day on Good Friday.

2007-2008 Calendar - Status

Dr. Pullo stated that many of the Monroe County school districts are considering an after Labor Day start of school. He stated that if Pleasant Valley approves the same, any snow days used will result in school continuing through to the middle of June.

Dr. Pullo stated that Ms. Moyer, Director of MCTI will present a Budget Overview at the March 15th meeting.

Dr. Pullo announced that the March 15th will be the only meeting; Buildings and Grounds workshop is scheduled for March 19, 2007.

Other:

Personnel and General Administration: Mr. Anthony Fadule

Russ Gould motioned; seconded by Linda Micklos to approve item #6.4.1- #6.4.2 and item #6.4.1- #6.4.3 on the addendum with the following revisions noted:.

- 6.4 Personnel and General Administration - February 15, 2007**
- 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 Lynda Klinger was approved for a change of employment status from substitute to temporary part-time bus driver, retroactive to January 17, 2007.
 - 6.4.1.1.2 Substitutes
 - a. Marie Curto -PPA, retroactive to February 6, 2007
 - b. Cynthia Kossyk -Bus Driver, retroactive to January 25, 2007
 - c. John McClintic -Bus Driver, retroactive to February 7, 2007
 - d. Kristyna Pannella-Cafeteria, retroactive to February 8, 2007
 - e. Melissa Williams-Custodian/Transportation Aide/Monitor
 - 6.4.1.2 Professional Staff
 - 6.4.1.2.1 Substitutes
 - a. Brooke Glaser - Elementary
 - b. Vivien Kloss - Elementary, retroactive to 1/30/07
 - c. Lucille Piggott-Prawl- All areas, retroactive to 1/30/07
 - 6.4.2 Leave of Absence
 - 6.4.2.1 Child-Bearing/Child-Rearing Leave
 - 6.4.2.1.1 Brie Holst, Eldred teacher, was approved for child rearing-leave of absence, effective on or about April 10, 2007 through the conclusion of the 2006-2007 school year.
 - 6.4.2.2 Family and Medical Leave

- 6.4.2.2.1 Tim Hinton, middle school PPA, was approved for family & medical leave, as per Board policy, for approximately twenty-seven (27) days, effective February 14, 2007 through March 23, 2007.
- 6.4.2.2.2 Diane Kelchner, bus driver, was approved for family & medical leave, as per Board policy, for nineteen (19) days, effective February 20, 2007 through March 19, 2007.
- 6.4.2.2.3 Maureen Shields, middle school teacher, was approved for family & medical leave, as per Board policy, for twelve (12) days, effective March 2, 2007 through March 19, 2007.
- 6.4.2.3 Leaves Without Pay (Employees are responsible for the payment of any benefits the district provides during the period of leave):
 - 6.4.2.3.1 Patricia Cambria, PVI cafeteria helper, was approved for unpaid leave for two (2) days, effective January 23, and 24, 2007.
 - 6.4.2.3.2 Vicky Garrido, PVE monitor, was approved for unpaid leave for the following (2) days, effective January 9, 2007 and January 17, 2007.
 - 6.4.2.3.3 Rita Nelson, high school cafeteria helper was approved for unpaid leave for one (1) day, effective April 10, 2007.
 - 6.4.2.3.4 Sally Schwartz, Polk PPA, was approved for unpaid leave for four (4) days, effective February 20, 2007 through February 23, 2007.
 - 6.4.2.3.5 Winifred Serfass, Polk monitor, was approved for unpaid leave for six (6) days, effective May 11, 2007 through May 18, 2007.

6.4 **Personnel and General Administration - Addendum** **February 15, 2007**

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 Kristy Hoffman was approved for the position of part-time para-professional associate, effective February 12, 2007, at an annual salary of \$18,900, prorated. Her 2006-2007 school year assignment is Eldred Elementary School. (Replacement position for Donna Weiss)

6.4.1.1.2 The following individuals were approved for the position of temporary PPA's for PSSA Enhancement:

Name	Building
Julia Adams	Middle School, effective February 20, 2007 (New Position)
Eric Hansen	High School, effective February 20, 2007 (Replacement Position for Lizette Freuler)
Karen Voulo	Middle School, effective March 5, 2007 (New Position)

6.4.1.1.3 Transfer

The following transfer is effective February 13, 2007:

Name	From	To
Kim Dieter, Part-time PPA	Polk	Eldred (Replacement position for Gigi Barton)

6.4.1.1.4 Substitutes:

- a. Darlene Frazier - PPA
- b. Kathryn Schaffer - Secretary/Monitor/PPA/Cafeteria Helper

6.4.2 Leave of Absence

6.4.2.1 Family and Medical Leave

- 6.4.2.1.1 Howard Drake, middle school principal, was approved for an extension of his family & medical leave, for eight (8) days, effective January 31, 2007 through February 9, 2007.
- 6.4.2.1.2 Ken Newman, PVI teacher, was approved for Family & Medical Leave, as per Board policy, for approximately (14) days, effective on or about February 14, 2007 through March 6, 2007.
- 6.4.2.2 Leaves Without Pay (Employees are responsible for the payment of any benefits the district provides during the period of leave):
 - 6.4.2.2.1 Irene Bell, high school monitor, was approved for unpaid leave for two (2) days, effective February 5 and 6, 2007.
 - 6.4.2.2.2 Christine Rizzi, high school monitor, was approved for unpaid leave for one (1) day, effective January 30, 2007.
 - 6.4.2.2.3 Edward Swinesburg, bus driver, was approved for unpaid leave effective February 26, 2007 through the conclusion of the 2006-2007 school year.
- 6.4.3 Resignation
 - Approval was granted to accept the letter of resignation from the following employee:
 - a. Theresa Gregson, middle school monitor, effective February 23, 2007. (Ms. Gregson wishes to remain on the substitute list for secretary/PPA and monitor.)
 - b. Amy Rush, PVE teacher, effective April 13, 2007, or sooner, depending upon release.

Roll Call: 7-0 Carried

Asst. To The Superintendent For Professional /Support Personnel: Mr. Christopher Fisher

John Sabia motioned; seconded by Susan Kresge to approve item #6.5.1 and item #6.5.7 as follows:

6.5 Professional & Support Services February 15, 2007

- 6.5.1 Request for Approval
 - 6.5.1.1 Spring 2007 Assistant Coaching Positions
 - 6.5.1.1.1 Girls' Jr. High Softball-Mr. Steven R. Lazicki
 - 6.5.1.2 Spring 2007 Volunteer Coaching Position
 - 6.5.1.2.1 Girls' Softball -Mr. Dan Beck
 - 6.5.1.3 Approval was granted for the Dual Enrollment Grant.

- 6.5.7.1 Organization Monroe County Recreation
 - Facility Requested High School Old Auditorium and Classroom
 - Purpose Dance Recital
 - Dates/Times May 17, 2007, Thursday, 4:00pm - 9:00pm
May 18, 2007, Friday, 4:00pm - 11:00pm
May 19, 2007, Saturday, 9:00am - 11:00pm
May 20, 2007, Sunday, 10:00am - 10:00pm
 - Requestor Roberta Feierstein
 - Attendance 200
 - Tuition \$10.00
 - Fee by District Class 3A, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply
- 6.5.7.2 Organization The Growing Place
 - Facility Requested Polk Cafeteria
 - Purpose Board Meeting
 - Dates/Times February 21, 2007, Wednesday, 6:30pm - 9:00pm
 - Requestor Lisa Eick
 - Attendance 15
 - Tuition None
 - Fee by District Class 3, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply
- 6.5.7.3 Organization Pocono Family YMCA
 - Facility Requested Football Field
 - Purpose Flag Football League

	Dates/Times	April 15, 2007 – June 10, 2007, Sundays, 11:00am – 5:00pm
	Requestor	Nicole Hill
	Attendance	50 – 80
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 3, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply
6.5.7.4	Organization	Pocono Pride Fast Pitch
	Facility Requested	Middle School Softball Field, JV Baseball Field, JV Softball Field
	Purpose	Softball Tournament
	Dates/Times	July 13, 2007 – July 15, 2007, Friday – Sunday, 6:00am – 8:00pm
	Requestor	Randy Altemose
	Attendance	200
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 3, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply
6.5.7.5	Organization	PVHS Football Parents Association
	Facility Requested	High School Parking Lots and Grassy Areas
	Purpose	Fundraiser-Community Carnival
	Dates/Times	June 23, 2007, Saturday, 10:00am – 9:00pm, Rain Date, June 30, 2007, Saturday, 10:00am – 9:00pm
	Requestor	Joan Bumbulsky
	Attendance	1000
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply
6.5.7.6	Organization	American Cancer Society
	Facility Requested	PVI Cafeteria
	Purpose	PV Idol Fundraiser Relay for Life
	Dates/Times	April 21, 2007, Saturday
	Requestor	Dori Hurley
	Attendance	300-400
	Tuition	Only Donations
	Fee by District	Class 3, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply
6.5.7.7	Organization	Effort Congregation of Jehovah’s Witnesses
	Facility Requested	High School Old Auditorium
	Purpose	Meeting
	Dates/Times	April 2, 2007, Monday, 6:45pm – 9:30pm
	Requestor	Jerry Manigault
	Attendance	2500-3000
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 3, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply
6.5.7.8	Organization	AAU
	Facility Requested	High School Old Gymnasium
	Purpose	Boys’ Basketball Practice
	Dates/Times	March 6, 2007 – June 30, 2007, Mondays and Thursdays, 7:30pm -9:30pm
	Requestor	Tom Janotti
	Attendance	12-15
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 3, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply

6.5.7.9	Organization	Daisy Girl Scouts
	Facility Requested	PVE Classroom
	Purpose	Daisy Group for Kindergarten Girls
	Dates/Times	March 7, 14, 21, 2007, Wednesdays, after school to 5:00pm
	Requestor	Grace Mielczarek
	Attendance	15
	Tuition	\$13.00 (Registration and Supplies)
	Fee by District	Class 3, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply

- ▶ Ms. Kresge stated that two of these events had previously been approved. Mr. Fisher explained that Mr. Percey is working toward alerting all organizations of our new policy structure.
- ▶ MiChelle Palmer asked if all the organizations had submitted contracts. Mr. Fisher stated that Mr. Percey is in the process of doing that but some of the current contracts do not run out until the end of the school year.
- ▶ Susan Kresge questioned item #6.5.7.7 and the fact that the request was for the old auditorium with an attendance amount of 2500 to 3000 people.

Roll Call: 6-1 Carried Voting no: T. Murphy

Informational Items included:

- ▶ District Events List
- ▶ Metal Detector Report

Food Services: Ms. Bonnie Grammes

Participation reports were attached.

Transportation Services: Mr. Tony Pierri, Ms. Viola Murphy

No report

Custodial and Warehouse : Mr. Howard Scott

No report

Buildings and Grounds: Mr. Mark Meinhart

No report

Technology Systems Coordinator: Mr. Rocco Seiler

No report

CURRICULUM AND STAFF DEVELOPMENT: Ms. Carole Rissmiller

No report

Mathematics: Mr. John Rushefski, Ms. Carole Rissmiller

No report

Reading Supervisor: Ms. Dora Tartar

No report

Special Education: Ms. Ellen McMasters, Ms. Cheryl Caines

No report

Technology: Dr. Lee Lesisko

No report

At this time, Dr. Pullo asked for the following action:

John Sabia motioned; seconded by Ryan Hinton to approve the following request for homebound instruction:

PLEASANT VALLEY INTERMEDIATE:

205914 Medical reasons retroactive to 1/11/07

PLEASANT VALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL:

204094 Medical, renewal retroactive to 1/17/07

204883 Medical, renewal retroactive to 1/19/07
203615 Medical, retroactive to 1/29/07

PLEASANT VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL:

202216 Medical, retroactive to December 6, 2006
100806 Medical, retroactive to January 10, 2007
202145 Medical, retroactive to January 12, 2007
202275 Medical, retroactive to January 18, 2007
As per board policy, a re-evaluation will be done in 90 days

Roll Call: 7-0 Carried

Pleasant Valley Intermediate: Mr. J. Storm, Mr. D. Heath, Ms. A. Braxmeier

Mr. Storm's report was informational and included the enrollment report.

Pleasant Valley Elementary School: Mr. Dan Wunder, Ms. Lila Metz, Ms. Penny Derr

Mr. Wunder's report was informational and included the enrollment report.

Polk/Eldred Elementary: Ms. Kris Meckes

Ms. Meckes's report was informational and included the enrollment report.

Chestnuthill Elementary: Mr. John Rushefski

Mr. Rushefski's report was informational and included the enrollment report.

Pleasant Valley Middle School: Mr. Howard Drake, Mr. Barry Hamlin, Mr. Michael Kello

Mr. Drake's report was informational and included the enrollment report.

Pleasant Valley High School: Mr. John Gress, Mr. R. Hines, Mr. D. Stefani, Mr. G. Donadi

Mr. Gress's report was informational and included the enrollment report.

Business Manager: Ms. Monica Kotzmann

Susan Kresge motioned; seconded by Tom Murphy to approve items #6.10.1-#6.10.7; #6.10.9.1, 2 -6.10.9.4 4 and item #6.10.9.5 on the handout as follows:

Mr. Corveleyn recommended that item #6.10.9.3 on the addendum should be voting on separately, the following action occurred:

Susan Kresge amended her original motion, seconded by Tom Murphy to approve items #6.10.1 - #6.10.7, items #6.10.9.1, 2 and 4 and item #6.10.9.5 on the handout; report is as follows:

6.10 Business Management February 15, 2007

6.10.1 Approval was granted for the cafeteria accounts payable for January 2007.
Total amount: \$171,239.73.

Approval was granted for the bills payable for February 2007.
Total amount: \$101,215.88.

6.10.2	Student Activity Accounts - For informational purposes	
	Beginning Balance, January 1, 2007	\$300,959.45
	Receipts	26,840.83
	Expenditures	49,661.02
	Ending Balance, January 31, 2007	\$278,139.26

6.10.3 Informational - District investment report for January 2007 (handout).

6.10.4 Approval was granted for the following resolution by the Board of Education:

RESOLVED, by the Board of School Directors of Pleasant Valley School District, as follows:
The Board, by majority consent, hereby accepts the recommendation of the Local Tax Study Commission made at the Board's meeting of December 7, 2006 that the Board place on the May 15, 2007 ballot for the approval of voters a 1%

Earned Income and Net Profits tax. The revenue generated from this tax shall be used primarily to fund homestead/farmstead exclusions for qualified homestead/farmstead property.

6.10.5 Approval was granted for the following resolution by the Board of Education:

RESOLVED, by the Board of School Directors of Pleasant Valley School District, as follows:

1. The Secretary is authorized and directed to advertise Notice of Intent to adopt a Resolution Authorizing the May 15, 2007 Referendum Question and the Levying and Assessing of the Act 1 Earned Income & Net Profits tax in substantially the following form:

“Do you favor imposing an additional 1% earned income tax? The revenue generated from the increased tax rate will be used to reduce taxes on qualified residential properties by approximately \$250.00. The current earned income tax rate is 1%.”

The advertising of this Notice of Intent shall be retroactive to February 8, 2007.

2. The School District shall make the Resolution Authorizing the May 15, 2007 Referendum Question and the Act 1 Earned Income & Net Profits Tax Resolution available for public inspection by any resident at the School District administrative offices subsequent to their approval by the Board of School Directors.
3. The School Board will hold a public hearing concerning the Resolution authorizing the May 15, 2007 Referendum question. The hearing will be held in the new auditorium of the Pleasant Valley High School, located at Route 209, Brodheadsville, PA 18322 at 8:00 p.m. on February 8, 2007. Further, the Board of Education will accept public comment on this issue until the adoption of the ballot question tentatively scheduled for March 8, 2007.

6.10.6 December 13, 2006 Cyber and Charter School Enrollment report (handout)

6.10.7 The following invoices/applications are recommended for payment from the Bond Fund listed:

	2006 Bond Fund	
Quad Three Group		\$150,521.33
Middle School Renovations: partial		
The Quandel Group, Inc.		6,333.33
Construction Management, January 2007		
	Total	\$156,854.66

6.10.8 ACT 1 INFORMATION

A reminder to the public to make sure their homestead/farmstead application has been filed and approved by the county assessor’s office. Deadline is March 1, 2007.

6.10.9 Business Management – Addendum February 15, 2007

6.10.9.1 The following resolution was approved effective March 1, 2007:

PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Resolution Authorizing the May 15, 2007 Primary Ballot Question

Background: Act 1 mandates a referendum on whether the school district shall increase or impose an income tax for the purpose of generating revenues to be used to fund homestead/farmstead property tax exclusions for qualified homestead/farmstead property. The purpose of this resolution is to approve the referendum question and related steps.

RESOLVED, by the Board of School Directors of Pleasant Valley School District, as follows:

1. The school district shall place a referendum question on the May 15, 2007 primary election ballot. The referendum question shall be in substantially the following form, with additions or changes (other than the tax rate) as determined by the school board President and election officials prior to the election:

“Do you favor imposing an additional 1% earned income tax? The revenue generated from the increased tax rate will be used to reduce taxes on qualified residential properties by approximately \$250.00. The current earned income tax rate is 1%.”

2. The school district administration, in consultation with the school board, shall prepare and present to election officials a non-legal interpretative statement that shall accompany the referendum question in accordance with the Pennsylvania Election Code.

3. School district officials shall take any and all action necessary or appropriate to carry out the intent of this resolution.

4. Should a majority of electors voting on the May 15, 2007 referendum question vote in the affirmative, the school district shall take action to assess and levy the tax beginning on July 1, 2007. This tax shall be self-executing and shall continue in force on a fiscal year basis without annual reenactment except in a year in which the rate of the tax is changed or the tax is repealed.

6.10.9.2 Approval was granted for PlanCon Part J: Project Accounting Based on Final Costs for the Classroom Addition to Pleasant Valley Intermediate School pending completion of the required audit.

6.10.9.4 Approval was granted to seek a variance from the Pennsylvania Department of Education from the 20-year rule for the Middle School project.

Handout:

6.10.9.5 Approval was granted to advertise for sealed bids for the following items for the 2007-2008 school year:

- Janitorial Supplies and Equipment
- General Supplies
- Classroom and Office Furniture
- Audio Visual Supplies and Equipment
- Propane
- Anthracite Coal
- Musical Instruments

Roll Call: 7-0 Carried

Russ Gould motioned; seconded by John Sabia to approve item #6.10.9.3 on the addendum as follows:

6.10.9.3 Approval was granted to approve the Resolution for the Middle School project authorizing: 1) the maximum building cost; 2) the maximum project cost and 3) holding the Act 34 hearing on March 15, 2007.

Roll Call: 7-0 Carried

Ryan Hinton motioned; seconded by Linda Micklos to approve the request for the board to authorize the Farmstead Exclusion to be equal to the Homestead Exclusion

Roll Call: 7-0 Carried

Solicitor: Mr. Daniel Corveleyn, Mr. Gerard Geiger

No report

Pleasant Valley School Directors:

No report

Pleasant Valley Citizens:

None

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Thomas Murphy motioned, seconded by Ryan Hinton and unanimously by the Board to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:59 PM.

Carried

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: March 15, 2007 AT 8:00 PM, District Office

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Les
Board Secretary

Linda Zeliznik
Board Recorder