

PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education Meeting
September 22, 2005

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Pleasant Valley School District Board of Education was called to order by President, Nancy Kresge, on Thursday, September 22, 2005 at 8:08 p.m. Ms. Kresge welcomed those present followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was held in the Pleasant Valley School District Offices, Brodheadsville, PA.

MEETING PROCEDURES

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

President Nancy Kresge announced Notification of Executive Sessions as follows:

- ▶ September 8, 2005 - (After regular meeting) - Personnel
- ▶ September 22, 2005 - Personnel -hiring of part-time, full-time and substitute employees.

ROLL CALL

Board Attendees:	President Nancy Kresge Treasurer Thomas J. Murphy Vice-President MiChelle Palmer	Russ Gould, H. Charles Hoffman, Susan Kresge, Linda Micklos, John Sabia, James Spinola
Board Absentees:		
Administrative Attendees:	Dr. Frank A. Pullo, Mr. Fadule, Ms. Rissmiller, Ms. Les, Ms. Zeliznik, Mr. C. Fisher, Ms. M. Kotzmann, Mr. Gress, Mr. Hines, Mr. Dimmick, Mr. Drake, Mr. Hamlin, Mr. Storm, Mr. Gunnels, Mr. Wunder, Ms. Derr, Ms. Metz, Ms. Tartar, Dr. Holmes, Mr. Blubaugh, Ms. McMasters, Ms. Grammes, Ms. Meckes, Mr. Rushefski, Mr. J. Fisher	
Solicitor:	Mr. Daniel Corevelyn	

PLEASANT VALLEY CITIZENS:

♦ Introduction - Relay for Life

President Kresge introduced Mike Hurley and Hope Smith, representatives for the Relay for Life sponsored through the American Cancer Society. Ms. Smith stated that the Relay for Life completed five years of hosting this event at the High School facilities. Ms. Smith, along with her fellow representatives, presented a plaque to the district in recognition of their support to the American Cancer Society. Ms. Smith stated that the West End community has donated over one half million dollars with participation reaching 3,000.

♦ Introduction of Ms. Carol Kern – Western Pocono Community Library

President Kresge introduced Ms. Carol Kern, Director of the Western Pocono Community Library. Ms. Kern focused on the many services that are offered at the Library to the West End community. Ms. Kern spoke about the relationship between the school district and the library working together to provide a learning environment for all students. Ms. Kern shared a PowerPoint presentation showcasing the services of twelve students from the high school. These students were fulfilling their graduation project requirements.

Susan Kresge motioned, seconded by Tom Murphy to reappoint Mr. Art Illiano and Ms. Marian Mackes to the Board of Trustees and to appoint Mr. John Colagrande for a three year term.

Roll Call: 9-0 Carried

- ♦ June O'Neill, Chestnuthill Township, asked if the school board had discussed making changes on the senior citizen tax rebate aligning the district deadline date with the states. She indicated that since the tax increase was mailed out in August, she feels it is hurting the senior community. She encouraged the district to consider extending the filing date from June 30th to match the states filing date.
- ♦ June O'Neill, Chestnuthill Township, expressed her opinion regarding the recent changes in school security concerning students attending events after school hours. She stated that she would like to have the district consider other options before they placed the new requirements that students sit in a specified area at events. She feels that the parents, students and community members should have been involved in the decision. Ms. O'Neill also stated that she would like the district to consider a permanent resource office in the middle school.

Dr. Pullo stated that this issue was discussed at the Buildings and Grounds workshop and this is what was put in place to address the problem. He stated that students were milling around on the track and in other areas and to solve the problem, they are being instructed to sit in a required area.

OTHER:

None

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Ms. Linda Zeliznik

John Sabia motioned; seconded by Charles Hoffman to approve the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, September 8, 2005.

- ♦ Susan Kresge questioned page 7, under School Directors, the second bullet should have read \$749 per year.

Roll Call: Voice Vote - Carried

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mr. Tom Murphy

Charles Hoffman motioned; seconded by John Sabia to approve the accounts payable on pages 9-17 as per the attached copies:

Roll Call: 9 -0 Carried

OLD BUSINESS:

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS: Mr. J. Fisher

No report

SOLICITOR: Mr. Daniel Corveleyn, Mr. Gerard Geiger

No report

OTHER

No reports

NEW BUSINESS:

MONROE CAREER AND TECHNICAL INSTITUTE: Ms. Susan Kresge

Ms. Kresge reported that the director, Mrs. Moyer, did a presentation on the Dept of Education evaluation of all the programs that are offered. The report indicated positive feedback. The Adult Education program was also evaluated and finances have improved indicating that the program is doing well.

LEGISLATIVE REPORTS: Mr. James Spinola

Mr. Spinola reported that he received new grant information which he passed along to Dr. Pullo.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: Dr. Frank A. Pullo

Approval of Policy Revisions: Policies 220, 424.1 & 913

Dr. Pullo reviewed the revisions in policy #913, Relationships with Special Interest Groups and Policy #220, Student Expressions.

Dr. Pullo indicated the all policies are available to review on our website, www.pvbears.org under district policies.

Susan Kresge motioned; seconded by Tom Murphy to approve the recommended revisions to policy #913 and #220 as per the attached copies.

Roll Call: 8-1 Carried

Voting no to policy #220 – J. Spinola

Dr. Pullo asked to Table policy # 424.1 to give the board more time to review revisions.

Revision of 2005-06 District Calendar (handout)

Dr. Pullo distributed copies of the revised 2005-06 calendar explaining that the month of November was calculated with 20 teacher days and 19 student days. The revised calendar changed to 19 teacher days and 18 student days in November. Teachers are required to attend 184 days and students 179 days. Therefore, last day for students will be June 2, 2006 provided there are no snow days; and the last day for teachers is June 5th which is a staff development day.

John Sabia motioned; seconded by Linda Micklos to approve the revised 2005-06 school calendar as per the attached copy:

Roll Call: 9-0 Carried

Enrollment as of September 22, 2005

Dr. Pullo stated that in reviewing the enrollment, it appears that we have lowered our enrollment from last year due to summer withdrawals and Cyber School. Dr. Pullo indicated that we should have a more accurate count by the next board meeting. Expectations are the enrollment will reach 7,300 by the end of the school year.

Dr. Pullo distributed a document indicating communication and informational initiatives that are taking place at the High School. Dr. Pullo commended Mr. Gress for his efforts to strengthen communication between the district and the parents of high school students.

PV STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE: Ms. Meghan German

Ms. Meghan German reported:

- ♦ Ms. German thanked the board for the opportunity to report
- ♦ SGA is being re-vamped working on communication
- ♦ 1st meeting of SGA took place today with each class well attended
- ♦ Homecoming event is being planned
- ♦ Homecoming floats are being organized
- ♦ Homecoming dance is set for October 29 at PVI from 7:30-10:30pm
- ♦ Homecoming game is October 28th
- ♦ Senior's are in the process of securing a site for their prom

Susan Kresge asked if Homecoming was the bucket game. Ms. German replied she thought it was. James Spinola asked if the dress code for homecoming nominees would be addressed because comments were made from last year. Ms. German indicated that it would be addressed.

PERSONNEL AND GENERAL ADMINISTRATION: Mr. Anthony Fadule

Susan Kresge motioned; seconded by Russ Gould to approve item #6.4.1- #6.4.4 on pages 19 & 20 and item # 6.4.1- #6.4.2 on the addendum as follows:

6.4 Personnel and General Administration September 22, 2005

6.4.1 Hiring of Personnel*

6.4.1.1 Support Staff

6.4.1.1.1 Substitutes

- a. Dawn Gerenday-Dunbar -Bus Driver, retroactive to September 9, 2005
- b. Roberta Miro -Cafeteria Helper/Monitor

6.4.1.1.2 Transfer

NAME	ORIGINAL ASSIGNMENT	TRANSFERRED TO
Lorraine McCutchan	Secretary, Coordinator of Technology and Reading Supervisor + Title I Director	Secretary, Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum

6.4.1.2 Professional Staff

6.4.1.2.1 Pleasant Valley High School

- 6.4.1.2.1.1 Patricia Ripa BS + 29, Step 1
BS, Human Dev./
Family Studies Salary=\$33,300
PSU (prorated)
Special Education Certificate
Marywood University
(Special education teacher, replacement position for Sheila Bohanon, effective September 21, 2005)
- 6.4.1.1.1.2 Charles Inserra, health & physical education teacher will be placed at the BS + 23 education level.
- 6.4.1.1.1.3 Susan Featro, PVI German teacher will be placed at the BS + 52.6, step 3 education level; salary =\$34,850 for the 2005-06 school year.

*The hiring of all personnel is pending receipt of all required paperwork.

6.4.2 Leaves of Absence

6.4.2.1 Family & Medical Leave

- 6.4.2.1.1 Marsha Beers, high school language teacher, was approved for family & medical leave of absence, as per Board policy, for sixty (60) days, effective August 31, through November 30, 2005.
- 6.4.2.1.2 Diane Wicknick, PVE custodian, was approved for family & medical leave of absence, as per Board policy, for nineteen (19) days, effective August 21 through September 18, 2005.
- 6.4.2.2 Leave Without Pay
The following employee are responsible for the payment of any benefits the district provides during this period of leave:
 - 6.4.2.2.1 Dolores Warnken, high school monitor, was approved for leave without pay for ten (10) days, effective September 26 through October 7, 2005.
- 6.4.3 Resignation
Approval was granted to accept the letter of resignation from the following employees:
 - 6.4.3.1 Curtis Dimmick, high school assistant principal, effective November 4, 2005, or sooner, depending upon release.
 - 6.4.3.2 John Lewers, bus driver, effective September 6, 2005.
 - 6.4.3.3 Nirupa Shah, from the position of cafeteria helper, effective September 8, 2005.
- 6.4.4 Retirement
Adalberto Ramirez, assistant security chief, effective October 12, 2005.

6.4 Personnel and General Administration/Addendum September 22, 2005

6.4.1 Hiring of Personnel*

6.4.1.1 The following transfers are effective September 26, 2005:

NAME	ORIGINAL ASSIGNMENT	TRANSFERRED TO
Diane Bednarek	JCM, Cafeteria Helper	HS, Cafeteria Helper
Deborah Wadiak	MS, Cafeteria Helper	JCM, Cafeteria Helper
Mary Ann Veneziano	HS, Cafeteria Helper	MS, Cafeteria Helper
Betty Christman	MS, Cafeteria Helper	HS, Cafeteria Helper
Judy Sanbeg	PVI, Cafeteria Helper	MS, Cafeteria Helper

6.4.2 Leaves of Absence

6.4.2.1 Family & Medical Leave

6.4.2.1.1 Diane Dudak, middle school teacher, was approved for family & medical leave, as per Board policy, for fourteen (14) days, effective August 25, through September 16, 2005.

6.4.2.2 Leaves Without Pay

The following employee are responsible for the payment of any benefits the district provides during this period of leave:

6.4.2.2.1 Robert Klinger, security guard, was approved for leave without pay effective September 3, 2005 until further notice.

Roll Call: 9-0 Carried

Mr. Chris Fisher stepped out of the meeting for a few moments and Ms. Rissmiller presented his report.

ASST. TO THE SUPERINTENDENT FOR PROFESSIONAL /SUPPORT PERSONNEL: Ms. C. Rissmiller
Russ Gould motioned; seconded by John Sabia to approve #6.5.1.1 - #6.5.1.8 and item #6.5.9.1 - #6.5.9.8 as follows:

- 6.5.1.1 Approval was granted to accept the resignation of Ms. Ellen Stefani as 2005-2006 Girls' Jr. High Basketball Assistant Coach.
- 6.5.1.2 Approval was granted to accept the resignation of Mr. Ken Newman as 2005-2006 Boys' Jr. High Basketball Assistant Coach.
- 6.5.1.3 2005-2006 Winter Assistant Coaching Position
 - 6.5.1.3.1 Boys' J. V. Basketball - Mr. Ken Newman
- 6.5.1.4 2005-2006 Spring Head Coaching Positions
 - 6.5.1.4.1 Baseball - Mr. Karl Rentzheimer
 - 6.5.1.4.2 Softball - Mr. Robert Schaeffer
 - 6.5.1.4.3 Boys' Tennis - Mr. Mark Allison
 - 6.5.1.4.4 Girls' Soccer - Mr. Rocco Seiler
 - 6.5.1.4.5 Track and Field - Mr. Woodrow Metzger
- 6.5.1.5 2005-2006 Spring Assistant Coaching Positions

6.5.1.5.1	Baseball			
	6.5.1.5.1.1	Varsity	-	Mr. Thomas J. Murphy, Jr.
	6.5.1.5.1.2	J. V.	-	Mr. Joseph Anderton
	6.5.1.5.1.3	J. V.	-	
6.5.1.5.2	Softball			
	6.5.1.5.2.1	Varsity	-	Ms. Christine Collaro
	6.5.1.5.2.2	J. V.	-	
	6.5.1.5.2.3	J. V.	-	
	6.5.1.5.2.4	Jr. High	-	
6.5.1.5.3	Girls' Soccer			
	6.5.1.5.3.1	Varsity / J.V.	-	Mr. Steve Hicks
	6.5.1.5.3.2	Jr. High	-	
	6.5.1.5.3.3	Jr. High	-	
6.5.1.5.4	Track and Field			
	6.5.1.5.4.1	Varsity / J.V.	-	Ms. Michelle Costenbader
	6.5.1.5.4.2	Varsity / J.V.	-	Mr. Tom Crosby
	6.5.1.5.4.3	Varsity / J.V.	-	Mr. Wayne Davenport
	6.5.1.5.4.4	Varsity / J.V.	-	
	6.5.1.5.4.5	Jr. High	-	
	6.5.1.5.4.6	Jr. High	-	
6.5.1.6	2005-2006	<i>Volunteer Coaching Positions</i>		
	6.5.1.6.1	Volleyball	-	Ms. Jennifer Hackett
	6.5.1.6.2	Girls' Tennis	-	Mr. Ralph Weichand
6.5.1.7	2005 – 2006	Supplemental / Non-coaching Positions		
	6.5.1.7.1	Class Advisors		
		Senior Class	-	Ms. Christina Snopek
		Junior Class	-	Ms. Bernadette Fierro
		Sophomore Class	-	Ms. Patty McLain
		Freshman Class	-	Mr. Jay Brown
	6.5.1.7.2	Drama / Musical Advisors		
		High School Drama	-	Ms. Ramona Parsons
		High School Assistant Drama	-	Ms. Peggy Moore
		High School Assistant Drama	-	Mr. Craig Morris
		High School Musical	-	Mr. Dan Mulligan
		High School Assistant Musical	-	Ms. Marcie Mulligan
		High School Assistant Musical	-	
		High School Set Painter	-	
		Middle School Drama	-	Ms. Rollene Gougher
		Middle School Assistant Drama	-	Ms. Amy Wilusz
		Middle School Musical	-	Ms. April Kresge
		Middle School Assistant Musical	-	Ms. Rollene Gougher
		Intermediate (PVI) Drama	-	
		Intermediate (PVI) Assistant Drama	-	
		Elementary (PVE) Drama	-	
		Elementary (PVE) Assistant Drama	-	
		Show Choir	-	
	6.5.1.7.3	Honor Society Advisors		
		Art (co-advisors)	-	Ms. Barbara Cortese
			-	Ms. Amy Petit
			-	<i>split stipend</i>
		Music	-	Ms. Lois Mann
		Senior National (co-advisors)	-	Ms. Philomena Reduzzi
			-	Ms. Valerie Eblin
			-	<i>split stipend</i>
		Junior National	-	Ms. Rollene Gougher
	6.5.1.7.4	Newspaper Advisors		
		High School – <i>The Bear Facts</i>	-	Ms. Peggy Moore
		Middle School	-	Ms. Randy Hinton
	6.5.1.7.5	Student Government Advisors		
		High School	-	Ms. Christina Snopek
		Middle School	-	Ms. Nicole Composto
	6.5.1.7.6	Yearbook Advisors		
		High School – <u>The Bruin</u>	-	Ms. Philomena Reduzzi
		Middle School	-	Ms. Sandy D'Agostino

6.5.1.7.7	Other Supplemental Advisor Positions	
	Advanced Placement Coordinator	-
	Booster Step Club	- Ms. Charene Hemmett
	Chess Club	- Mr. Paul Nale
	Computer Club (High School)	-
	Computer Club (Middle School)-	
	Debate Club	- Ms. Valerie Eblin
	Diversity Club (High School)	- Ms. Ramona Parsons
	Diversity Club (Middle School)-	
	Envirothon	- Mr. Mark Liscinski
	FBLA	- Ms. Melissa Ruschak
	Key Club (co-advisors)	- Ms. Sarah Rosnock
		- Ms. Kristen Metweecha
		<i>split stipend</i>
	Leo Club	-
	Literary Magazine: <i>The Scrivner</i>	- Ms. Peggy Moore
	Mock Trial	- Ms. Maura Angle
	Mock Trial Assistant	- Ms. Teresa Galicki
	SADD (co-advisors)	- Ms. Shannon Mackes
		- Ms. Elaine Snow
		<i>split stipend</i>
	Scholastic Scrimmage	- Mr. Robert Young
	Scholastic Scrimmage Assistant-	- Ms. Sandy D'Agostino
	Science Olympiad	- Ms. Shannon Mackes
	Stage Manager (HS)	- Mr. Craig Morris
	Stage Manager Assistant (HS)-	- Ms. JoElle Palmer
	Stage Manager Assistant (HS)-	
	Stage Manager Assistant (HS)-	
	Video Club	- Mr. Bruce Smith
	World Language Club	-

6.5.1.8 Approval was granted for the Supplemental Contract, 2005 – 2010.

6.5.9 Facility Usage Requests:

6.5.9.1	Organization	Pleasant Valley Youth Association	
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley Middle School Gymnasium	
	Purpose	Basketball Fundraiser	
	Dates/Times	Sunday January 22 nd 2006 6:00-8:30PM	
		Sunday January 29 th 2006 6:00-8:30PM Snowdate	
	Requestor	Hope Smith	
	Attendance	Estimated 400	
	Tuition	None	
	Fee by District	Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply	
6.5.9.2	Organization	Pleasant Valley Youth Association	
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley High School Cafeteria	
	Purpose	Picture Day	
	Dates/Times	Saturday December 3 rd 2005 8:30AM-2:00PM	
	Requestor	Hope Smith	
	Attendance	Estimated 250-300	
	Tuition	None	
	Fee by District	Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply	
6.5.9.3	Organization	Pleasant Valley Youth Association	
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley High School, Middle School, PVE and PVI Gymnasiums	
	Purpose	Basketball Practice	
	Dates/Times	Monday through Friday November 1 st -March 10 th 2006	6:00-9:00PM * Pending approval of
		practice schedule by Jake Percy	
	Requestor	Hope Smith	
	Attendance	Estimated 30-40	
	Tuition	None	

	Fee by District	Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply	
6.5.9.4	Organization	Pleasant Valley Youth Association	
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley High School, Middle School, PVE and PVI Gymnasiums	
	Purpose	Basketball Intramurals and Games	
	Dates/Times	Saturdays January 10 th -March 13 th 2006 8:45AM-12:00 Noon (Intramurals) Saturdays and Sundays November 5 th -March 21 st 2006 8:00AM-3:00PM (Games) * Pending approval of game schedule by Jake Percey	
	Requestor	Hope Smith	
	Attendance	Estimated 150-200	
	Tuition	None	
	Fee by District	Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply	
6.5.9.5	Organization	Monroe County Coyotes	
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley Intermediate Gymnasium	
	Purpose	Baseball Practice	
	Dates/Times	Saturdays December 6 th -March 27 th 2006 7:30PM-9:00PM	
	Requestor	Sandra LaLicata	
	Attendance	Estimated 14	
	Tuition	None	
	Fee by District	Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply	
6.5.9.6	Organization	Pleasant Valley Tornados Softball	
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley Intermediate Gymnasium	
	Purpose	Indoor Pitching	
	Dates/Times	Mondays and Thursdays November 1 st -March 31 st 2006	5:45-7:15PM
	Requestor	Steve S. Borger	
	Attendance	Estimated 20	
	Tuition	None	
	Fee by District	Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply	
6.5.9.7	Organization	Pleasant Valley Ice Hockey	
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley High School Old Gym	
	Purpose	Off Ice Conditioning	
	Dates/Times	Saturdays September-March 6 th 2006 6:00-9:00PM	
	Requestor	John Dolan	
	Attendance	Estimated 30	
	Tuition	None	
	Fee by District	Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply	
6.5.9.8	Organization	Stroudsburg United Soccer	
	Facility Requested	Middle School Soccer Fields (2)	
	Purpose	Youth Soccer Tournament	
	Dates/Time	Saturday October 8, 2005 12 Noon – 6 PM Sunday October 9, 2005 8AM – 6PM	
	Requestor	Glenn Yetter	
	Attendance	Estimated 200	
	Tuition	None	
	Fee by District	Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply	

**Roll Call: 6-3 Carried
Abstained from vote: M. Palmer
Abstained from vote on item #6.5.1.5.1.1–T. Murphy
Voting no to items # 6.5.1.5.1 and 6.5.1.7.7 – J. Spinola**

Abstention Memorandums are attached.

Informational Items included:

- ▶ Metal Detector Report
- ▶ District Events List
- ▶ Educational Foundation/Federal and State Programs
- ▶ Pleasant Valley Educational Foundation
- ▶ Federal and State Programs Update

FOOD SERVICES: Ms. Bonnie Grammes

Participation reports were attached.

TRANSPORTATION SERVICES: Mr. Tony Pierri

No report

ACTING DIRECTOR OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS: Mr. Jason Fisher

B & G meeting on October 17, 2005 @ 7 p.m.

CUSTODIAL AND WAREHOUSE : Mr. Howard Scott

No report

CLERKS OF THE WORKS: Mr. Roger Borger

No report

CURRICULUM AND STAFF DEVELOPMENT: Ms. Carole Rissmiller

District Tutoring Program "Stepping Up"

Ms. Rissmiller distributed an updated document regarding the PSSA results which was a request by the board to show 2004 scores and 2005 scores.

Ms. Rissmiller distributed a handout on the tutoring program, Stepping Up that is being organized throughout the district. Over 2300 students were invited to take part in the program. Students were identified based on the results of 2004-05 PSSA scores. Each building is making large efforts to recruit qualified students to participate. Ms. Rissmiller did indicate that the response is very low. This program is being offered through grant funds and indications were made that transportation is an issue. Dr. Pullo added that there are not enough funds in the grant for the district to provide transportation for the students who may participate. Parents that do not respond to the letter that was sent home are being contacted by phone. A recruitment tracking log is being kept on each parent that is called. Ms. Rissmiller included an outline of how the program is being structured.

School Board members were concerned if some of the remediation is being duplicated and if transportation was the only issue. Ms. Rissmiller responding by stating that repeating work is not a bad practice. Other comments by parents not allowing their student to participate were that students are already involved in other after school activities, student is not a good test taker and transportation.

Dr. Pullo commended Ms. Rissmiller and Mr. C. Fisher for obtaining the EAP grant.

John Sabia motioned; seconded by Nancy Kresge to approve acceptance of the Strategic Planning Monitoring Document to be submitted to the state by September 30, 2005.

- ♦ James Spinola questioned page 28, school safety. He asked if all schools have school safety teams. Ms. Rissmiller explained that some of the smaller buildings combined safe team meetings with their EIE meeting and faculty meeting. He also asked about the suicide preventive program and why it was not included. Ms. Rissmiller stated that the suicide preventive program was not initialized until after the document was prepared and would be included the next time around. The document will be updated in January.

Roll Call: 9-0 Carried

MATHEMATICS: Mr. John Rushefski, Ms. Carole Rissmiller

Nancy Kresge motioned; seconded by Susan Kresge to approve Scott-Foresman Math Textbook Series.

Mr. Rushefski stating the Scott-Foresman math textbook series has been evaluated for use in grades five and six. The Math Task Force has obtained seventy (70) student textbooks for both grades free of charge. Evelyn Beautz (Grade 5 math teacher) and Larry Court (Grade 6 math teacher) have been selected to utilize the series. The request is for approval for the series to begin in early October. Parental notifications will be made prior to its implementation.

The Scott-Foresman Math series is currently being utilized for the first year in grades one, two, three, and four at Chestnuthill, Eldred, PVE, and Polk Elementary. The Scott Foresman series was determined to be the best series for Pleasant Valley elementary students as determined by the elementary task force members. Books are free to the district.

Mr. Murphy left the meeting at 9:14 pm and returned at 9:16 pm. He was not present to vote.

Roll Call: 8-0 Carried

- ♦ Susan Kresge commented that she has heard very positive remarks regarding the books in the First grade classrooms.

READING SUPERVISOR: Ms. Dora Tartar
Informational report included

SPECIAL EDUCATION: Ms. Ellen McMasters, Ms. Cheryl Caines
Informational report included

TECHNOLOGY: Dr. Jeffrey Holmes, Mr. Jason Blubaugh
Informational report included

Dr. Pullo asked for the following action to occur:

Charles Hoffman motioned; seconded by James Spinola to approve the following requests for homebound instruction:

PLEASANT VALLEY INTERMEDIATE

Student ID# 204648 Medical, retroactive to August 2, 2005

PLEASANT VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

<u>I.D.#</u>	<u>Reason</u>
200951	Medical, retroactive to September 14
200952	Medical, retroactive to September 14
202216	Medical, retroactive to September 14
201503	Medical, retroactive to September 14
201479	Medical, retroactive to September 22

As per board policy, a re-evaluation will be done in 45 days

Roll Call: 9-0 Carried

PLEASANT VALLEY INTERMEDIATE: Mr. James Storm, Mr. J. Gunnels

Mr. Storm's report was informational. Enrollment was attached.

- ♦ Susan Kresge asked Mr. Storm to get back to her on why some teachers have more students, no gifted students or special education while others have less students with gifted and special education students. Mr. Spinola asked to be informed also.

PLEASANT VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL: Mr. Dan Wunder, Ms. Lila Metz, Ms. Penny Derr

Mr. Wunder's report was informational. Enrollment report was attached.

POLK/ELDRED ELEMENTARY: Ms. Kris Meckes

Ms. Meckes's report was informational. Enrollment report was attached.

CHESTNUTHILL ELEMENTARY: Mr. John Rushefski

Mr. Rushefski's report was informational. Enrollment report was attached.

PLEASANT VALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL: Mr. Howard Drake, Mr. Barry Hamlin, Ms. Jill Chamberlain

Mr. Drake's report was Informational. He invited everyone to open house on Monday, September 26th. Enrollment report was attached.

PLEASANT VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL: Mr. John Gress, Mr. R. Hines, Ms. H. Marsili, Mr. C. Dimmick

Mr. Gress's report was informational. He stated that Parent Teacher night is scheduled for October 5th and High School had a great start to the new year. Enrollment report was attached.

BUSINESS MANAGER: Ms. Donna Les, Ms. Monica Kotzmann

Ms. Les revised item # 6.10.4, under 2003 AA Bond to change payment to Wind Gap Electric to \$20,450.84 and the Total of 2003AA Bond Fund to read \$434,214.50.

John Sabia motioned; seconded by Russ Gould to approved items # 6.10.1 - #6.10.7 with revisions noted as follows:

6.10 BUSINESS MANAGEMENT REPORT for September 22, 2005

6.10.1. Approval was granted for the cafeteria accounts payable for August 2005.

Total amount: \$35,393.60

Approval was granted for the bills payable for August 2005.

Total amount: \$40,448.20.

6.10.2. Student Activity Accounts – for informational purposes – pending year-end audit

Beginning Balance, August 1, 2005	\$
Receipts	\$
Expenditures	\$
Ending Balance, August 31, 2005	\$188,353.49

6.10.3. Informational – District investment report for August 2005.

6.10.4 The following invoices/applications were approved for payment from the Bond Fund listed:
1996 Bond Fund

School Specialty Inc.	\$241.06
Furniture bid, reconfiguration: PVMS	
Washington Music Center	6,067.00
Music bid, reconfiguration: PVMS	
Total	\$6,308.06

1997 Bond Fund

Jim Lagana Plumbing & Heating, Inc.	\$55,205.87
Polk Project: application #5	
Total	\$55,205.87

2003AA Bond Fund

Yannuzzi, Inc.	\$146,906.28
Polk Project: application #5	
G. R. Noto Electrical Construction, Inc.	153,662.50
Polk Project: application #5	
Lagana Construction Services	98.80
PVI Project: application #12	
Lagana Construction Services	23,750.77
PVI Project: application #13, final payment	
Wind Gap Electric, Inc.	20,450.84
PVI Project: application #12, final payment	
United Inspection Services	5,625.85
Polk Project: testing services	
Jim Lagana Plumbing and Heating, Inc.	794.64
Polk Project: grilles/sheetmetal labor	
Modern School Supplies	5,145.00
PVI Project: furniture bid	
Roberts & Meck, Inc.	33,407.50
PVI Project: furniture bid	
School Specialty, Inc.	44,372.32
PVI Project: furniture bid	
Total	\$434,214.50

2004 Bond Fund

S. G. Mastriani Construction	\$434,171.90
Polk Project: application #10	
Lobar, Inc.	138,027.41
PVHS Project: application #14	
JBM Plumbing, Inc.	16,510.90
PVHS Project: application #14, HVAC	
JBM Plumbing, Inc.	3,903.55
PVHS Project: application #15, plumbing	
Lombardo & Lipe Electrical Contractors, Inc.	20,191.08
PVHS Project: application #13	
United Inspection Services	826.50
High School Project: testing services	
Total	\$613,631.34

6.10.5 Approval was granted for the following payment from the Capital Reserve Fund:

Rohrer Bus Sales	\$355,145.00
5 72-passenger school buses as per bid	

6.10.6 Approval was granted for PlanCon Part K – Project Refinancing. This document is for the Series of 2005 General Obligation Bonds which refinanced the Series of 1995 bonds.

6.10.7 Approval was granted for the following bid award, with payment from the 2005-2006 general operating budget:

1 Ton Utility Service Van	
Sunbury Motor	\$26,335.60

A copy of the bid tabulation is attached for your perusal.

Roll Call: 9-0 Carried

Nancy Kresge motioned; seconded by Tom Murphy to approve the recommendation to not exonerate the delinquent penalties from the 2004 tax on property #138C244.

Roll Call: 8-1 Carried

Voting no: James Spinola

- ♦ Charles Hoffman asked if this was an added van; Ms. Les replied it was a replacement.

SOLICITOR: Mr. Daniel Corveleyn, Mr. Gerard Geiger

No report

PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Dr. Pullo announced that the October meeting scheduled has changed. Next board meeting will be October 20th, the third Thursday of the month. There will be no meeting on October 13th or October 27th due to meeting conflicts. Buildings and Grounds workshop is scheduled for Monday, October 17th.

- ♦ Susan Kresge commented by stating to all Administrators to list future items only, not past items.
- ♦ Tom Murphy commented on an outstanding dry cleaning bill whether it had been paid. Ms. Kotzmann stated that it was paid this past week.
- ♦ Tom Murphy stated that last year, discussion took place regarding a special education document outlining certain procedures for the student. Mr. Murphy stated that there was no place for the parent to sign the form. Ms. McMasters replied that the document is not a document that the parent is to sign; it was to provide information from IEP meetings to the bus drivers concerning transportation for the student. Signatures at the bottom are for the principal to verify that he is aware of the events of the IEP meeting; her signature is to show the student is or is not special education and that she is aware of the special needs and Mr. Fisher signs showing he is aware of the transportation involvement. Discussion took place regarding accommodations for the student and transportation drivers being aware of the frame of mind of the special education student or other information that the driver should be aware of to transport the student.

- Tom Murphy commented that he agrees with June O'Neill's concerns regarding the extension of the application date and would like to form a board committee.
- James Spinola stated that there was a recognition program earlier this evening and he welcomed all the new employees and thanked the cafeteria for the food provided.

PLEASANT VALLEY CITIZENS

- Denise O'Connell, Polk Township, stated she is taking a course at ESU and would like to know the per pupil expenditure amount. Dr. Pullo stated approximately \$9,800.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Nancy Kresge motioned, seconded unanimously by the Board to adjourn the meeting at approximately 9:31PM.

Carried

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: October 20, 2005 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved Minutes 10-20-2005

Donna Les
Board Secretary

Linda Zeliznik
Board Recorder