

PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education Meeting
October 20, 2005

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Pleasant Valley School District Board of Education was called to order by President, Nancy Kresge, on Thursday, October 20, 2005 at 8: 16p.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:

- ▶ Personnel / hiring of full-time, part-time, and substitute staff

ROLL CALL

Board Attendees:	President Nancy Kresge	Russ Gould, H. Charles Hoffman,
	Treasurer Thomas J. Murphy	Susan Kresge, Linda Micklos,
	Vice-President Michelle Palmer	James Spinola

Board Absentees: John Sabia

Administrative Attendees: Dr. Frank A. Pullo, Mr. Fadule, Ms. Rissmiller, Ms. Zeliznik, Mr. C. Fisher, Ms. M. Kotzmann, Mr. Gress, Mr. Hines, Mr. Dimmick, Mr. Drake, Mr. Hamlin, Ms. Chamberlain, Mr. Storm, Mr. Gunnels, Mr. Heath, Mr. Wunder, Ms. Derr, Ms. Ms. Tartar, Ms. McMasters, Ms. Caines, Ms. Grammes, Ms. Meckes, Mr. Rushefski, Mr. Scott, Mr. J. Fisher, V. Murphy

Solicitor: Mr. Daniel Corevelyn

GOOD NEWS:

Mr. Gress introduced Mr. DeVivo, marching band advisor. Mr. DeVivo stated that the marching band currently has 140 members. Three drum majors were introduced: Sam Cassese, Courtney Munier and Kevin Sodl. Each student spoke about the bands accomplishments and future activities. The students presented three trophies that they recently received to the school board.

PLEASANT VALLEY CITIZENS:

None

OTHER:

None

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Ms. Linda Zeliznik

H. Charles Hoffman motioned; seconded by Linda Micklos to approve the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, September 22, 2005.

Roll Call: Voice Vote - 8-0 Carried

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mr. Tom Murphy

Susan Kresge motioned; seconded by Russ Gould to approve the budget transfers on pages 13-15; accounts payable 9/1/05-9/30/05 on page 16; accounts payable 10/1/05-10/20/05 on pages 17-26; Trial Balance/Financial Statement on pages 27-32 as per the attached copies:

- ▶ James Spinola questioned page 16 payroll account compared to the same account on page 26. Ms. Kotzmann replied that the difference varies because of stipends paid and other items paid.
- ▶ Tom Murphy questioned the DAC bill and asked for an explanation - Jason Fisher replied that the bucket truck was used to hang banners on the poles around the high school.
- ▶ Susan Kresge stated that she could not find the bill for Freidman Electric and Kovatch Mobile Equipment. Ms. Kotzmann replied she would find them.
- ▶ Sue Kresge questioned the rental truck from Rider. Jason Fisher replied it was used for the summer moves.

Roll Call: 8-0 Carried

The Asset Cost Summary on page 33 and the Revenues/Expenditures on pages 34-37 are included for information only.

OLD BUSINESS:

SOLICITOR: Mr. Daniel Corveleyn, Mr. Gerard Geiger

No report

OTHER

No reports

NEW BUSINESS:

COLONIAL INTERMEDIATE UNIT #20: Ms. Nancy Kresge

Ms. Kresge reported that the new Assistant Director replacing Charlene Brennan will be Jackie Walsh. Ms. Kresge stated that the new building is on schedule and they are looking at purchasing furniture.

LEGISLATIVE REPORTS: Mr. James Spinola

Mr. Spinola reported that next week is the state conference in Hershey Park. A fourteen page packet was sent to the voting Delegates to review. Mr. Spinola stated that he would provide copies to the board members.

PV STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE: Ms. Meghan German

Ms. Meghan German reported:

- ▶ Homecoming events are being planned
- ▶ Spirit week begins on Monday October 24th. Each day a different theme is planned
- ▶ Homecoming Dance is Saturday, October 29th from 7-10:30 pm at PVI
- ▶ All sports club has offered to help with food and drink at the bonfire on Thursday evening
- ▶ At football games, representative from each class have been handing out raffle tickets to the students seated in the student section. Gifts include a one week parking space next to Mr. Gress
- ▶ Same concept will be done at basketball games
- ▶ SGA has held meetings in the new auditorium and is very excited about the large amount of space

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: Dr. Frank A. Pullo

Nancy Kresge motioned; seconded by H. Charles Hoffman to approve the Resolution for the Auditor General's Audit Report Response for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2001 and June 30, 2002.

Roll Call: 8-0 Carried

Dr. Pullo stated that copies of Policy 424.1 were distributed at the last meeting to the school board. Susan Kresge motioned; seconded by Tom Murphy to approve Policy 424.1 - Confidential Information and the Oath on pages 42 & 43 per attached copy:

Discussion arose concerning additional language to be included in the policy; therefore Susan Kresge and Tom Murphy both withdraw their motions and the item was withdrawn until the next meeting.

Dr. Pullo distributed a copy of policy 810.5 School Bus Idling. Ms. Murphy indicated to the board that Mr. Pierri feels very strongly about the policy and states that our buses are not idling for any length of time. Mr. Pierri feels their will be great savings to the district including some health benefits. Approval will be sought at the November 17th meeting. Dr. Pullo stated that if there are any questions, direct them to Mr. Pierri or Ms. Murphy. He also stated that if the policy is approved staff will need to be notified of the policy.

Nancy Kresge motioned; seconded by James Spinola to approved settlement with support staff on grievances TR01091304, TR3041404 and TR21004.

Roll Call: 6-2 Carried

Voting no: M. Palmer, T. Murphy

Tom Murphy motioned; seconded by Russ Gould to approve the wavier of residency for student ID#201747.

Roll Call: 8-0 Carried

Dr. Pullo distributed a copy of a memo from Mr. Gress to Dr. Pullo updating his special objective on guidance and NCAA information.

PERSONNEL AND GENERAL ADMINISTRATION: Mr. Anthony Fadule

Mr. Fadule requested the following revisions/additions: on page 45 item #6.4.1.1.5 should read part/time security officer; page 47 item #6.4.1.2.4.A is retroactive to 10/17/05; additions: Hiring of George Donadi, Assistant Principal at PV High School, at \$67,000 per year effective December 1, 2005 or sooner (replacement position for Holly Marsili); and the Memorandum of Understanding: Mechanic, between the Pleasant Valley School District and the Pleasant Valley Educational Support Personnel Association, ESPA/PSEA/NEA.

Nancy Kresge motioned; seconded by H. Charles Hoffman to approve item #6.4.1- #6.4.3 on pages 45-48 and item # 6.4.1- #6.4.2 and additions on the addendum as follows:

6.4 Personnel and General Administration October 20, 2005

6.4.1 Hiring of Personnel*

6.4.1.1 Support Staff

- 6.4.1.1.1 Patricia Cambria was approved for the position of part-time cafeteria helper, effective October 24, 2005 at an hourly wage of \$8.93. Her 2005-06 school year assignment is PVI. (replacement position for Helen Smale)
- 6.4.1.1.2 Susan Fahrenkopf was approved for the position of secretary, effective October 24, 2005 at an annual salary of \$22,702, prorated. Her 2005-06 school year assignment is the middle school. (Replacement position for Roseann Fleming)
- 6.4.1.1.3 Beth Klausman was approved for the position of custodian, effective October 24, 2005 at an hourly wage as per the support staff collective bargaining agreement. Her 2005-06 school year assignment is PVI. (Replacement position for Kevin Overfield)
- 6.4.1.1.4 Barbara Weibley was approved for the position of transportation aide, effective October 24, 2005 at an hourly wage of \$12.48.
- 6.4.1.1.5 The following individuals were approved for the position of part time security officer, effective October 24, 2005 at an hourly wage of \$9.00:

- a. Jonathan Donaghy
 - b. Donald Wuebber
- 6.4.1.1.6 Substitutes
- a. Barbara Christiana-Transportation Aide,retroactive to 9/26/05
 - b. Judith Clossey -Bus Driver, retroactive to October 4, 2005.
 - c. Karen D'Antonio-Heathroom Technician,retroactive to 10/13/05
 - d. Marcus Sandstrom-Bus Driver, retroactive to August 30, 2005.
 - e. Carmela Trani -Monitor/Secretary/Cafeteria Helper/
Transportation Aide, retroactive to 9/28/05
 - f. Erika Wolf-PPA, retroactive to 10/12/05

6.4.1.2 Professional Staff

6.4.1.2.1 Pleasant Valley Elementary School

6.4.1.2.1.1 Susan Price was approved for a change of employment status from long-term substitute to temporary professional employee, effective October 31, 2005, at the following level: BS + 12, step 2, \$33,500, prorated. (replacement position for Monica Williamson)

6.4.1.2.1.2 Mark Getz was approved for the position of long-term substitute 2nd grade teacher, effective October 31, 2005 at a salary of \$33,300, prorated. (replacing Susan Price as LTS for Danielle Argot)

6.4.1.2.2 Pleasant Valley Intermediate School

6.4.1.2.2.1 Michael Ogin was approved for the position of long-term substitute Spanish teacher for Marsha Beers, effective October 24, 2005, at a salary of \$33,300, prorated.

6.4.1.2.2.2 Allen Frank BS + 25, Step 1
BA, Music Salary=\$33,300
Moravian College (prorated)
(Music teacher, replacement position for Jessica Lepley, effective December 21, 2005, or sooner, depending upon release)

6.4.1.2.3 Transfers

NAME	ORIGINAL ASSIGNMENT	TRANSFERRED TO
Ana Gonzalez	Spanish Teacher, Middle School	High School, Spanish Teacher, effective September 26, 2005.
Alysia Phillips	Spanish Teacher, PVI	Middle School, Spanish Teacher, effective September 6, 2005
Monica Williamson	3 rd Grade Teacher, PVE	PVE, IST Teacher (replacement position for Megan McAndrew)

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

6.4.1.2.4 Substitutes

- a. Jennifer Cinque-Elementary retroactive to 10/17/05
- b. Cynthia Lucas-Elementary (retroactive to September 23, 2005)
- c. Judith Parker-Markowitz-All Areas
- d. Stacie Roos-All Areas
- e. Maryellen Ross-All Areas
- f. Lisa Venable-Biology/All Areas
- g. Kristen Wolf- Elementary

6.4.1.3 Administration

6.4.1.3.1 Viola Murphy was approved for the position of administrative assistant to the director of transportation, at an annual salary of

\$44,500, prorated, retroactive to October 3, 2005.
(Replacement position for Joyce Smith)

6.4.2 Leaves of Absence

6.4.2.1 Family & Medical Leave

- 6.4.2.1.1 Shirley Dorshimer, bus driver, was approved for family & medical leave, as per Board policy, effective for the following total of two and one-half (2-1/2) days: September 9-(1/2) day, September 12, September 14-(1/2) day, and September 19, 2005-(1/2) day.
- 6.4.2.1.2 Diane Dudak, middle school teacher was approved for an extension of her FML effective for the following total of four and one-half (4-1/2) days: September 20, September 22-(1/2) day, September 23-(1/2) day, and the week of September 26 through 30, 2005 inclusive, all-(1/2) days.
- 6.4.2.1.3 Darlene Johnson, high school cafeteria helper, was approved for an extension of her FML for nineteen (19) days, effective September 6 through September 30, 2005.
- 6.4.2.1.4 William Kresge, middle school teacher, was approved for family & medical leave, as per Board policy for ten (10) days, effective October 17 through October 28, 2005.
- 6.4.2.1.5 Joseph Malocheski, middle school teacher, was approved for family medical leave, as per Board policy for twenty-nine (29) days, effective August 25 through October 7, 2005.
- 6.4.2.1.6 Richard Whiteford, PVI teacher, was approved for family & medical leave, as per Board policy for eleven (11) days, effective October 12 through October 26, 2005
- 6.4.2.1.7 Deborah Williams, PVE teacher, was approved for family & medical leave, as per Board policy for twelve (12) days, effective October 13 through October 28, 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 Kim Dieter, Eldred PPA, was approved for leave without pay for four (4) days, effective October 25 through October 28, 2005.
- 6.4.2.2.2 Fran Suswal, PVE cafeteria helper, was approved for leave without pay for three (3) days, effective November 14, 15, and 16, 2005.
- 6.4.2.2.3 Diane Kelchner, bus driver, was approved for to rescind her previously approved request for leave without pay on September 30, 2005.

6.4.2.3 Sabbatical Leave of Absence

Rose Kwolek, middle school guidance counselor, was approved for a sabbatical leave of absence for the purpose of professional development, effective the 2nd semester of the 2005-06 school year.

6.4.3 Resignation

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

- 6.4.3.1 Sheila Bohanon, high school special education teacher, effective September 22, 2005.
- 6.4.3.2 Cindy Frey, PVI reading teacher, effective December 2, 2005 or sooner, depending upon release.

6.4.1 Hiring of Personnel*

6.4.1.1 Support Staff

6.4.1.1.1 Anna Hill was approved for the position of part-time cafeteria helper, effective October 24, 2005 at an hourly wage of \$8.93. Her 2005-06 school year assignment is PVE. (replacement position for Nisha Shah)

6.4.1.1.2 Samuel Lucas was approved for the position of part-time security officer, effective October 24, 2005 at an hourly wage of \$9.00.

6.4.1.1.3 Substitutes

- a. Samuel Lucas - Custodian
- b. Henry Snyder - Custodian

6.4.1.2 Professional Staff

6.4.1.2.1 Substitutes

- a. Heather LaBarre- All Areas

6.4.2 Leaves of Absence

6.4.2.1 Family & Medical Leave

6.4.2.1.1 Jessica DiBilio, PVE teacher, was approved for family & medical leave, as per Board policy, for twenty-three and one-half (23-1/2) days, effective September 29, through November 2, 2005.

6.4.2.1.2 Anne Frohnheiser, PVE teacher, was approved for family & medical leave, as per Board policy, for sixty (60) days, effective on or about November 29, 2005 through on or about March 2, 2006.

6.4.2.1.3 Pat Penchishen, middle school secretary, was approved for family & medical leave, as per Board policy, for forty-seven and one-half (47-1/2 days), effective August 2, 2005 through October 7, 2005.

6.4.2.2 Leave of Absence

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

6.4.2.2.1 Jayne Werkheiser, middle school monitor, was approved for leave without pay for four (4) days, effective December 6, 7, 8, and 9, 2005.

6.4.3 Approval was granted for the Memorandum of Understanding: Mechanic, between the Pleasant Valley School District and the Pleasant Valley Educational Support Personnel Association, ESPA/PSEA/NEA.

6.4.4 Administration

6.4.4.1 George Donadi was approved for the position of assistant high school principal, effective December 21, 2005, or sooner, depending upon release at an annual salary of \$67,000, prorated. (Replacement position for Holly Marsili)

Roll Call: 6-2 Carried

Voting NO to item #6.4.4.1 on the addendum - L. Micklos

Voting NO to item #6.4.1.3 - J. Spinola

Abstaining from vote on item #6.4.1.3 - T. Murphy

Abstaining from vote on item #6.4.2.2.1 on the addendum - S. Kresge

Abstention memorandums are attached.

ASST. TO THE SUPERINTENDENT FOR PROFESSIONAL /SUPPORT PERSONNEL: Mr. C. Fisher
Linda Micklos motioned; seconded by Susan Kresge to approve #6.5.1.1 - #6.5.1.6 as follows:

- 6.5.1.1 Please accept the following advisor resignations:
 - 6.5.1.1.1 Middle School Musical Advisor - Ms. April Kresge
 - 6.5.1.1.2 Middle School Asst. Musical Advisor - Ms. Rollene Gougher
- 6.5.1.2 2005 - 2006 Winter Assistant Coaching Positions
 - 6.5.1.2.1 Boys' Jr. High Basketball - Mr. Ty Wertman
 - 6.5.1.2.2 Girls' Freshman Basketball - Mr. Dan Beck
 - 6.5.1.2.3 Girls' Jr. High Basketball - Ms. Jennifer Netwell
- 6.5.1.3 2005 - 2006 Spring Assistant Coaching Positions
 - 6.5.1.3.1 J. V. Softball - Ms. Angela Wincek
 - 6.5.1.3.2 J. V. Softball - Mr. Jim Taylor
 - 6.5.1.3.3 Jr. High Softball - Ms. Amy Kucherek
 - 6.5.1.3.4 Varsity/J.V. Track & Field - Mr. Mike Wertman
 - 6.5.1.3.5 Jr. High Track & Field - Mr. Drew Davis
 - 6.5.1.3.6 Jr. High Track & Field - Ms. Sandy D'Agostino
- 6.5.1.4 2005 - 2006 Supplemental / Non-coaching Advisor Positions
 - 6.5.1.4.1 Jr. High Cheering Co-advisor(s)-
(split stipend-one position) - Ms. Tracey Toth
Ms. Melanie Hinline
 - 6.5.1.4.2 AP Coordinator Co-advisor(s) - Ms. Patty Kupstas
(split stipend-one position) - Ms. Sherri Fallon
 - 6.5.1.4.3 High School Computer Club - Ms. Melissa Ruschak
 - 6.5.1.4.4 Middle School Diversity Club - Ms. Liliana Lear
 - 6.5.1.4.5 Middle School Musical Advisor- Ms. Rollene Gougher
 - 6.5.1.4.6 Middle School Asst. Musical Adv.- Ms. Amy Wilusz

6.5.1.5 Field Trip Requests: Pleasant Valley High School

- 6.5.1.5.1 Grade / Organization - F.B.L.A., grades 10-12
Teacher(s) Involved - Melissa Ruschak, Teresa Galicki
Destination of the Trip - State Leadership Workshop,
Harrisburg
Date of the Trip - October 22-24, 2005
District Buses Needed - none
Cost per Student - \$45.00
- 6.5.1.5.2 Grade / Organization - AP Studio / AAI / Foundations, gr 10-12
Teacher(s) Involved - Barbara Cortese
Destination of the Trip - Museum of Modern Art, NYC
Date of the Trip - October 27, 2005
District Buses Needed - 1
Cost per Student - none
- 6.5.1.5.3 Grade / Organization - SADD, grades 9-12
Teacher(s) Involved - Elaine Snow, Shannon Mackes
Destination of the Trip - SADD State Conference, Lancaster /
Reading
Date of the Trip - November, 2005
District Buses Needed - 1 van
Cost per Student - none
- 6.5.1.5.4 Grade / Organization - F.B.L.A., grade 11
Teacher(s) Involved - Melissa Ruschak
Destination of the Trip - National F.B.L.A. Conference,
Pittsburgh
Date of the Trip - November 3-6, 2005
District Buses Needed - none

- 6.5.1.5.5 Cost per Student - none
Grade / Organization - Yearbook Production, grades 10-11
Teacher(s) Involved - Philomena Reduzzi
Destination of the Trip - Josten's Plant, State College
Date of the Trip - November 4, 2005
District Buses Needed - 1
Cost per Student - none
- 6.5.1.5.6 Grade / Organization - AP Studio Art, grade 12
Teacher(s) Involved - Barbara Cortese
Destination of the Trip - Tyler School of Art, Elkins Park, MD
Date of the Trip - November 13, 2005 (Sunday)
District Buses Needed - 1 van
Cost per Student - none
- 6.5.1.5.7 Grade / Organization - Media I & II, grades 10-12
Teacher(s) Involved - Peggy Moore
Destination of the Trip - School Press Assoc. Seminar,
Harrisburg
Date of the Trip - November 18, 2005
District Buses Needed - 1
Cost per Student - none
- 6.5.1.5.8 Grade / Organization - Yearbook Production, grades 10-11
Teacher(s) Involved - Philomena Reduzzi
Destination of the Trip - PA School Press Assoc. Conf.,
Harrisburg
Date of the Trip - November 18, 2005
District Buses Needed - 1
Cost per Student - none
- 6.5.1.5.9 Grade / Organization - Chorus, grades 10-12
Teacher(s) Involved - Lois Mann
Destination of the Trip - Central Dauphin High School
Date of the Trip - November 18, 2005
District Buses Needed - 1 van
Cost per Student - none
- 6.5.1.5.10 Grade / Organization - Band, grades 9-12
Teacher(s) Involved - James DeVivo
Destination of the Trip - Parkland High School, Allentown
Date of the Trip - December 3, 2005
District Buses Needed - 1
Cost per Student - none
- 6.5.1.5.11 Grade / Organization - Business, grades 10-12
Teacher(s) Involved - Teresa Galicki, M. Ruschak, Maura Angle
Destination of the Trip - Sony Tour & South Street Seaport, NYC
Date of the Trip - December 6, 2005
District Buses Needed - none
Cost per Student - \$25.00
- 6.5.1.5.12 Grade / Organization - Vocal Techniques Class/Chorus, gr10-12
Teacher(s) Involved - Lois Mann
Destination of the Trip - Bucks County Playhouse, New Hope, PA
Date of the Trip - December 7 or 8, 2005
District Buses Needed - 1
Cost per Student - \$25.00
- 6.5.1.5.13 Grade / Organization - 20th Century, World, & U.S. History
Government Economics, grades 10-12
Teacher(s) Involved - High School History Dept Teachers

- Destination of the Trip - Washington, D.C.
Date of the Trip - December 9, 2005
District Buses Needed - none
Cost per Student - \$35.00
- 6.5.1.5.14 Grade / Organization - F.B.L.A., grades 9-12
Teacher(s) Involved - M. Rushack, Teresa Galicki, Maura Angle
Destination of the Trip - East Stroudsburg High School South
Date of the Trip - January 13, 2006
District Buses Needed - 2 or 3 for 80-100 students
Cost per Student - none
- 6.5.1.5.15 Grade / Organization - Chorus, grades 10-12
Teacher(s) Involved - Lois Mann
Destination of the Trip - Muhlenberg High School
Date of the Trip - February 2, 2006
District Buses Needed - 1 van
Cost per Student - none
- 6.5.1.5.16 Grade / Organization - Junior Statesmen of America, Gr 9-12
Teacher(s) Involved - Peggy Moore
Destination of the Trip - Washington, D.C.
Date of the Trip - February 6, 2006
District Buses Needed - none
Cost per Student - \$250.00
- 6.5.1.5.17 Grade / Organization - Chorus, grades 10-12
Teacher(s) Involved - Lois Mann
Destination of the Trip - Carbon County Chorus, Jim Thorpe High School
Date of the Trip - February 23, 2006
District Buses Needed - 1
Cost per Student - none
- 6.5.1.5.18 Grade / Organization - Creative Communications, grades 10-12
Teacher(s) Involved - Ramona Parsons
Destination of the Trip - DeSales University, Allentown
Date of the Trip - February 28, 2006
District Buses Needed - 1
Cost per Student - \$15.00
- 6.5.1.5.19 Grade / Organization - Chorus, grades 10-12
Teacher(s) Involved - Lois Mann
Destination of the Trip - TBA, Regional Chorus
Date of the Trip - March 16, 2006
District Buses Needed - 1 van
Cost per Student - none
- 6.5.1.5.20 Grade / Organization - Advanced Art I, Foundations, gr 10-12
Teacher(s) Involved - Barbara Cortese, Amy Pettit
Destination of the Trip - Metropolitan Museum of Art, NYC
Date of the Trip - March 16, 2006
District Buses Needed - 1
Cost per Student - none
- 6.5.1.5.21 Grade / Organization - HS Musical Drama Club, gr 10-12
Teacher(s) Involved - Dan Mulligan, Marcie Mulligan, Carol Ring
Destination of the Trip - Broadway Musical, NYC
Date of the Trip - March 22, 2006
District Buses Needed - none
Cost per Student - \$50.00
- 6.5.1.5.22 Grade / Organization - Chorus, grades 10-12
Teacher(s) Involved - Lois Mann

- Destination of the Trip - State Chorus Competition, Valley Forge
Date of the Trip - March 30, 2006
District Buses Needed - 1 van
Cost per Student - none
- 6.5.1.5.23 Grade / Organization - 20th Century, World, & U.S. History
Government Economics, grades 10-12
Teacher(s) Involved - High School History Dept Teachers
Destination of the Trip - Washington, D.C.
Date of the Trip - March 31, 2006
District Buses Needed - none
Cost per Student - \$35.00
- 6.5.1.5.24 Grade / Organization - Cultural Diversity Club, grades 10-12
Teacher(s) Involved - Ramona Parsons, Caroline Gold
Destination of the Trip - Philadelphia Museum of Art
Date of the Trip - April, 2006
District Buses Needed - 1
Cost per Student - \$8.00
- 6.5.1.5.25 Grade / Organization - HS Musical Drama Club, gr 10-12
Teacher(s) Involved - Dan Milligan, Marcie Mulligan, Carol Ring
Destination of the Trip - DeSales University, Allentown
Date of the Trip - April, 2006
District Buses Needed - 1
Cost per Student - \$15.00
- 6.5.1.5.26 Grade / Organization - Media I & II, grades 10-12
Teacher(s) Involved - Peggy Moore
Destination of the Trip - Kent State University, Ohio
Date of the Trip - April 4-5, 2006
District Buses Needed - none
Cost per Student - \$150.00
- 6.5.1.5.27 Grade / Organization - Gifted, grades 10-12
Teacher(s) Involved - Bob Young, Woody Metzger
Destination of the Trip - Philadelphia (college/university visitations)
Date of the Trip - April 5, 2006
District Buses Needed - 1
Cost per Student - none
- 6.5.1.5.28 Grade / Organization - Varsity Chorale/Tri-M Music, gr 10-12
Teacher(s) Involved - Lois Mann (and other faculty members)
Destination of the Trip - Broadway Show, NYC
Date of the Trip - April 6 or April 13, 2006
District Buses Needed - none
Cost per Student - \$100.00
- 6.5.1.5.29 Grade / Organization - Business, grades 10-12
Teacher(s) Involved - Teresa Galicki, M. Ruschak, Maura Angle
Destination of the Trip - Sony Tour & South Street Seaport, NYC
Date of the Trip - April 12, 2006
District Buses Needed - none
Cost per Student - \$25.00
- 6.5.1.5.30 Grade / Organization - Gifted, grades 10-12
Teacher(s) Involved - Bob Young, Janice Young, Peggy Wolfe
Destination of the Trip - Washington, D. C.
Date of the Trip - April 21, 2006
District Buses Needed - none
Cost per Student - \$30.00
- 6.5.1.5.31 Grade / Organization - National Honor Society, grades 11-12

- Teacher(s) Involved - Philomena Reduzzi, Valerie Eblin
 Destination of the Trip - Boston, MA
 Date of the Trip - April 21-23, 2006
 District Buses Needed - none
 Cost per Student - \$300.00
- 6.5.1.5.32 Grade / Organization - Concert & Jazz Band, grades 10-12
 Teacher(s) Involved - James DeVivo
 Destination of the Trip - Disney World, Orlando, FL
 Date of the Trip - April 27-May1, 2006
 District Buses Needed - none
 Cost per Student - \$650.00
- 6.5.1.5.33 Grade / Organization - National Art Honor Society, gr. 10-12
 Teacher(s) Involved - Barbara Cortese, Amy Pettit
 Destination of the Trip - Hartford, CT and Boston, MA
 Date of the Trip - April 28-29, 2006
 District Buses Needed - none
 Cost per Student - \$122.00
- 6.5.1.5.34 Grade / Organization - Creative Communications, gr 10-12
 Teacher(s) Involved - Ramona Parsons
 Destination of the Trip - DeSales University, Allentown
 Date of the Trip - May 1, 2006
 District Buses Needed - 1
 Cost per Student - \$15.00
- 6.5.1.5.35 Grade / Organization - Chorus, grades 10-12
 Teacher(s) Involved - Lois Mann (and additional staff)
 Destination of the Trip - Broadway Show, NYC
 Date of the Trip - May 3, 2006
 District Buses Needed - none
 Cost per Student - \$100.00
- 6.5.1.5.36 Grade / Organization - High School Drama, grades 10-12
 Teacher(s) Involved - Ms. Parsons, Mr. Morris, Ms. Moore
 Destination of the Trip - Broadway Show, NYC
 Date of the Trip - May 6, 2006
 District Buses Needed - none
 Cost per Student - \$50.00
- 6.5.1.5.37 Grade / Organization - Physics, grades 11-12
 Teacher(s) Involved - Keith Bast
 Destination of the Trip - Dorney Park, Allentown
 Date of the Trip - May 12, 2006
 District Buses Needed - 2
 Cost per Student - \$17.50
- 6.5.1.5.38 Grade / Organization - F.B.L.A., grades 9-12
 Teacher(s) Involved - M. Ruschak, Maura Angle, Teresa Galicki
 Destination of the Trip - Knobel's Grove, Elysburg, PA
 Date of the Trip - May 13, 2006
 District Buses Needed - 1
 Cost per Student - \$25.00
- 6.5.1.5.39 Grade / Organization - Life Skills, grades 10-12
 Teacher(s) Involved - K. Matweecha, S. Massey
 Destination of the Trip - Knobel's Grove, Elysburg, PA
 Date of the Trip - May 23, 2006
 District Buses Needed - 1
 Cost per Student - none

- 6.5.1.6 Field Trip Requests: Pleasant Valley Middle School
- 6.5.1.6.1 Grade / Organization - Drama/Musical Clubs, grades 8 and 9
 Teacher(s) Involved - Rollene Gougher, Amy Wilusz
 Destination of the Trip - Dinner Theater, Wilmington, DE
 Date of the Trip - April 27, 2006
 District Buses Needed - none
 Cost per Student - \$40.00
- 6.5.1.6.2 Grade / Organization - National Junior Honor Society, grade 8
 Teacher(s) Involved - Rollene Gougher
 Destination of the Trip - Philadelphia, PA
 Date of the Trip - May, 2006
 District Buses Needed - none
 Cost per Student - \$30.00
- 6.5.1.6.3 Grade / Organization - Student Council, grades 8 and 9
 Teacher(s) Involved - Nicole Composto, Jill Chamberlain
 Destination of the Trip - Philadelphia, PA
 Date of the Trip - May, 2006
 District Buses Needed - none
 Cost per Student - \$20.00
- 6.5.1.6.4 Grade / Organization - Gifted, grades 8 and 9
 Teacher(s) Involved - S. D'Agostino, Nicole Davis, K. Catina
 Destination of the Trip - College of Physicians, Philadelphia, PA
 Date of the Trip - April 26, 2006
 District Buses Needed - none
 Cost per Student - \$20.00

- ▶ Linda Micklos questioned why the field trips to Broadway shows all have different costs to the students. Mr. Fisher and Mr. Gress stated that the difference in price is due to the amount of fundraiser money that is being contributed to the cost of the trip and how many buses are needed.
- ▶ Tom Murphy asked if there was an academic requirement to attend overnight field trips. Mr. Gress stated yes there is.
- ▶ Susan Kresge asked if a line could be added to the field trips stating the purpose.

Roll Call: 7-1 Carried

Voting no: M. Palmer

Informational Items included:

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

Susan Kresge motioned; seconded by Nancy Kresge to approve the following facility usage requests on page 60 with the addition of #6.5.9.7 as follows:

6.5.9 Facility Usage Requests:

6.5.9.1	Organization	West End Soccer League
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley Intermediate Cafeteria
	Purpose	Travel Soccer Banquet
	Dates/Times	Saturday December 3 rd 2005 4:00-9:00PM
	Requestor	Cathy Cunningham
	Attendance	Estimated 300

	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply
6.5.9.2	Organization	Pleasant Valley Cubs
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley Intermediate as per Schedule Approval by Jake Percey
	Purpose	Cheerleading Practice
	Dates/Times	Monday thru Thursday October 24 th -November 24 th 2005 5:45-9:00PM
	Requestor	Jacki Coursey
	Attendance	Estimated 150
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply
6.5.9.3	Organization	Saylorsburg Saylors
	Facility	Pleasant Valley Intermediate Auxiliary Gym
	Purpose	Indoor Baseball Skills
	Dates/Times	Thursdays December 1 st -April 6 th 2006 7:30-9:00
	Requestor	Emil Suarez
	Attendance	Estimated 15-20
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply
6.5.9.4	Organization	West End Little League
	Facility	Pleasant Valley High School Old Gym
	Purpose	Winter Training/Clinics
	Dates/Times	Friday 7:30- 9:00/Sunday 4:30-6:00 November 2005 - February 2006
	Requestor	Lisa Kaye
	Attendance	Estimated 20-25
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply
6.5.9.5	Organization	West End Kiwanis
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley High School Cafeteria and Auditorium Lobby
	Purpose	Dinner Theatre
	Dates/Times	Saturday, December 3, 2005, 12:00 -9:00
	Requestor	Carole Rissmiller
	Attendance	Estimated 150
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply
6.5.9.6	Organization	Colonial IU 20
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley High School Classroom
	Purpose	Praxis Prep Course
	Dates/Times	Tuesdays & Wednesdays October 25 - November 14, 2005, 5:00-8:30
	Requestor	Kelly Pauling
	Attendance	Estimated 10
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply
6.5.9.7	Organization	Monroe County AEYC
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley Classroom & Cafeteria
	Purpose	MCAEYC Annual Conference

Dates/Times	Saturday, November 19, 2005, 7:00am - 4:30pm
Requestor	Cindy Mack
Attendance	Estimated 150
Tuition	None
Fee by District	Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply

Roll Call: 8-0 Carried

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

Dr. Pullo asked Roger Borger and Jason Fisher, if where the propane tanks are located, is there any other kind of compactor or anything else? Jason Fisher stated no. Nancy Kresge asked if there was a release valve on the top, Jason Fisher replied yes, Ms. Kresge asked that if anything would be released from the valve, what color would it be. Jason Fisher replied clear. Nancy Kresge asked to take a look on Friday. She would call Jason with a time.

CUSTODIAL AND WAREHOUSE : Mr. Howard Scott

No report

CLERKS OF THE WORKS: Mr. Roger Borger

No report

CURRICULUM AND STAFF DEVELOPMENT: Ms. Carole Rissmiller

Update on Stepping Up: Ms. Rissmiller distributed a document updating the Stepping Up program in each building. She indicated the number of invitations sent out was approx. 2300. There are 476 students participating across the district. She explained that program leaders are both professional and support staff. Support staff is placed in areas where paperwork and other organizational issues are needed. Ms. Rissmiller thanked key people who helped make this program happen in a short amount of time: Chris Fisher, Building Principals, Dora Tartar, John Rushefski, Danielle Argot and Lori Meinhart.

- ▶ Michelle Palmer asked if any of the remediation work was being done during the day. Ms. Rissmiller explained no, but most staff work it in if they have free time to make this program successful
- ▶ Dr. Pullo mentioned that this program success is also due to Ms. Rissmiller.

MATHEMATICS: Mr. John Rushefski, Ms. Carole Rissmiller

No report

READING SUPERVISOR: Ms. Dora Tartar

Ms. Tartar referred to a letter she distributed from Hillary Clinton. The letter was addressed to Margaret Spellings, Secretary of Education urging her not to dismiss the Reading Recovery program. Ms. Tartar reported on the Reading and Language Arts Task force. She presented a PowerPoint outlining the tasks that have been completed such as: Remediation activities K-12, Reading Strategies 1-8, Integration of reading with content areas K-4, Writing across the curriculum Gr. 5-6, Standardization of finals exams Gr. 9-12. Ms. Tartar outlined the process. Purpose of the task force is to improve student knowledge and skills in reading and language arts and to enhance reading and language arts curriculum and instruction.

Ms. Tartar ended her presentation with questions from the board members.

SPECIAL EDUCATION: Ms. Ellen McMasters, Ms. Cheryl Caines

No report

TECHNOLOGY: Dr. Jeffrey Holmes, Mr. Jason Blubaugh

No report

Dr. Pullo asked for the following action to occur:

James Spinola motioned; seconded by Tom Murphy to approve the following requests for homebound instruction:

PLEASANT VALLEY INTERMEDIATE

Student ID#	Reason
204094	Medical, retroactive to September 29, 2005

PLEASANT VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

Student ID#	Reason
201472	Medical, retroactive to September 27
201943	Medical, retroactive to September 28

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

Eldred Elementary School

Student ID#	Reason
207135	Medical, retroactive to October 3, 2005

Roll Call: 8-0 Carried

Dr. Pullo stated that the board asked to review homebound instruction and Ms. Rissmiller is looking at better ways of providing homebound instruction.

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

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

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' 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.

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

Mr. Gress's reported that on Monday, October 24th at 9:00 am student athletes and their parents are invited to attend an informational meeting with representatives from ESU regarding NCAA regulations and requirements; November 9th at 7:30 pm speakers will be addressing the Student Athlete and College Recruiting; Will Power and Shakespeare activity recently took place in the new auditorium.

Mr. Gress also announced that Sarah Knoedler has been named as a Commended Scholar in the 2006 National Merit Scholar Program.

Michelle Palmer referred to the registration of new students being handled by one secretary in the high school. She asked what additional duties the other registration secretaries have been giving since they no longer are involved with registrations.

- ▶ Mr. Hines responded that it is running smoothly, we had rough spots but they have been ironed out.
- ▶ Dr. Pullo added that the secretary that was given this assignment, Doreen Dunlap has been very positive and secretary, Janice Bukovac, has been helping her out as much as possible.

- ▶ Tom Murphy asked if the district is communicating with transportation on class size so they know where to place a student.
- ▶ Mr. Hines replied that placement of school is determined by the child's location. Mr. Fisher added that most of these decisions are made over the summer, after that communication is established and the principals work together.

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

Nancy Kresge motioned; seconded by Susan Kresge to approve items #6.10.1 - #6.10.8A-H as follows:

6.10.1. The cafeteria accounts payable for September 2005 were approved.
Total amount: \$72,269.23.

The bills payable for September 2005 were approved.
Total amount: \$112,756.83.

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

Beginning Balance, September 1, 2005	\$208,940.19
Receipts	\$
Expenditures	\$
Ending Balance, September 30, 2005	\$

6.10.3. Informational - District investment report for September 2005.

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

<u>1996 Bond Fund</u>	
Office Service Company	\$2,972.88
Furniture Bid: PV Elementary, reconfiguration	
Office Service Company	1,677.84
Furniture Bid: Middle School, reconfiguration	
Total	\$4,650.72

<u>1997 Bond Fund</u>	
Jim Lagana Plumbing & Heating, Inc.	\$7,846.99
Polk Project: Application #6	

Total	\$7,846.99
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<u>2003AA Bond Fund</u>	
Virco	\$2,888.40
Furniture Bid: Polk project	
Office Service Company	170.12
Furniture Bid: PVI project	
Office Service Company	701.60
Furniture Bid: Polk project	
United Inspection Services	5,357.50
Polk Project: inspection services	
School Specialty	726.18
Furniture Bid: Polk project	
Slusser Brothers	3,966.00
High School Project: additional concrete slab work	
G. R. Noto Electrical Construction, Inc.	7,505.00
Polk Project: Application #6	
Yannuzzi, Inc.	117,248.00

Polk Project: Application #6

Total \$138,562.80

2004 Bond Fund

S. G. Mastriani Construction	\$154,992.15
Polk Project: application #11	
Lobar, Inc.	412,967.15
PVHS Project: application #15	
Lombardo & Lipe Electrical Contractors, Inc.	27,122.50
PVHS Project: application #14	

Total \$595,081.80

6.10.5 Approval was granted to authorize the relocation of PPL Facilities at the Polk School not to exceed \$1,235.00. We will be taking a credit on a future payment to S. G. Mastriani.

6.10.6 The following bid awards were approved. A copy of the bid tabulation by sport is attached for your perusal.

Spring Athletic Supplies and Equipment

AAE	\$714.00
ARC Sports	764.00
Bethlehem Sporting Goods	1,849.62
Coplay Sporting Goods	2,967.98
Kelly's Sports	444.25
Passon's Sports	113.69
Sportsman's	4,270.23
Team Sports	4,671.86
Triple Crown Sports	450.10

Total \$16,245.73

6.10.7 Approval was granted to establish a new high school student activity account entitled "Tri-M Music Honor Society".

6.10.8 Supplement

A. Approval was granted to advertise for sealed bids for the following service and equipment for the 2005-2006 school year:

- Snow Plowing
- Stage Risers

B. Approval was granted for the exoneration of school taxes on the following property:

Property Owner: Pleasant Valley School District
Property Number: 13/5/1/35-2
Base Tax Amount: \$183.70

C. The following invoice was approved with payment from the Bond Fund indicated.

1996 Bond Fund

School Specialty	\$6,919.35
Furniture bid: Middle School	

Total \$6,919.35

D. Approval was granted to authorize the relocation of a support pole and guide wire at the Polk Elementary School. The charge for this relocation will be \$1,235.00 which will be paid by the district and reimbursed to the district by S. G. Mastriani.

- E. Approval was granted for Cornerstone Community Baptist Church not be given a waiver on the payment of rollback taxes under Act 319. Total amount of the school tax rollback to be paid will be \$3,352.45.
- F. Approval was granted from the Board to re-authorize the hardship application on property tax #2/8/1/57-4. The payment plan called for monthly payments of \$150.00. Failure to comply with the payment plan will result in further legal action by Portnoff Law Associates.
- G. Approval was granted from the board for the revised salary schedule for the Secretary Level 2 for the period 2005-06 through 2007-08. A copy is attached.
- H. The following change orders were approved:

Polk Elementary School Project

PC-03 Jim Lagana Plumbing & Heating Inc. \$1,255.19 add
Provide 4" extension on grease interceptor at kitchen; Change invert on existing kitchen ejector pump

MC02 Yannuzzi, Inc. \$2,825.07 add
Ductwork and fire damper revisions for UV-6

Pleasant Valley High School Project

EC002 Lombardo & Lipe Electrical \$2,336.44 add
Add wiring and relays for elevator smoke alarm controls

GC009 Lobar, Inc. \$19,516.42 add
Removal of two columns at corridor 127

- ▶ James Spinola questioned the tent purchase on page 93. Mr. Fisher replied that this will be used for the Special Olympics, track meets etc.

Roll Call: 5-3 Carried

Voting no: M. Palmer

Voting no to #6.10.8F: T. Murphy

Voting no to #6.10.8G: S. Kresge

SOLICITOR: Mr. Daniel Corveleyn, Mr. Gerard Geiger

Mr. Corveleyn reported that he will be attending the Semi-Annual School Board Association conference in Hershey on October 26th which is part of the state conference.

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- ▶ Linda Micklos commented that she attended the band performance on Saturday night and she complimented all the talented musicians that were there including those from our area as well as other areas.
- ▶ Nancy Kresge asked Chris Fisher when the next scheduled event in the new auditorium will take place. Mr. Gress mentioned that December 2nd is a Christmas Carol.
- ▶ Tom Murphy commented that he attend the Drug and Gang Awareness seminar that took place in the new auditorium on October 9th. He commented that it was not well attended. He stated that he read it in the newspaper. Mr. Gress stated that a flier went home to parents with the progress reports.

PLEASANT VALLEY CITIZENS

None

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 9:34PM.

Carried

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: November 17, 2005 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Board Approved November 17, 2005

Monica Kotzmann
Assistant Board Secretary

Linda Zeliznik
Board Recorder