

PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education Meeting
April 28, 2005

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Pleasant Valley School District Board of Education was called to order by President, Nancy Kresge, on Thursday April 28, 2005 at 8:04 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.

Notification of Executive Session

President Nancy Kresge announced Notification of Executive Sessions as follows:

- ▶ April 18, 2005 (after B&G workshop) – personnel / staffing for 2005-06
- ▶ April 28, 2005 – personnel / hiring of support staff, professional staff, and substitute employees; negotiations / support staff

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. M. Kotzmann, Ms. Tartar, Dr. Holmes, Mr. Blubaugh, Ms. McMasters, Ms. Caines, Ms. Grammes, Mr. Pierri, Mr. J. Fisher, Mr. Scott, Mr. Gress, Mr. Hines, Mr. Dimmick, Ms. Marsili, Mr. Drake, Mr. Hamlin, Ms. Chamberlain, Mr. Storm, Ms. Szader, Mr. Gunnels, Mr. Wunder, Ms. Derr, Ms. Metz, Ms. Meckes, Mr. Rushefski

Solicitor: Mr. Daniel Corevelyn

GOOD NEWS REPORT:

President Kresge introduced Mr. Storm who introduced PVI Librarian, Sandy Stone. Ms. Stone distributed a brochure that highlighted the programs that are offered at the PVI Library. She introduced the top readers in grades four, five and six who use the Accelerated Reader program and gave a slide presentation that encourages reading.

Ms. Stone further informed the Board that, as part of the Read Across America Program, the students at PVI are attempting to break the record for most books read in a certain period of time.

MEETING PROCEDURES

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

PLEASANT VALLEY CITIZENS:

- ▶ Karen Deppen, Ross Township, expressed her opinion regarding the impact the Instrumental Music Program has had on her high school student. She urged the district to keep the program intact.
- ▶ Bonnie Fair, Polk Township, commented on a bus stop at El-Do Lake. She stated that the present owner of the property in front of the bus stop has placed horse manure in the path of the students so that they must stand in the middle of the road to wait for the bus. Parents feel it is very dangerous for the students. Discussion followed concerning a consolidated effort to help the students at this bus stop.

James Spinola motioned; seconded by Tom Murphy to have the District's solicitor write a letter to the El-Do Lakes Association asking them to make every effort to provide a safe bus stop for the children who are picked up and dropped off at the entrance to that development.

Roll Call: 5-4 Carried

Voting no: N. Kresge, M. Palmer, S. Kresge, L. Micklos

- ▶ Susan Kresge commented that she was concerned that if a letter was written for this purpose, it would set a precedent for other requests.
- ▶ Linda Micklos commented that writing a letter to the association is appropriate, but not to the property owner.

OTHER:

None

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Ms. Linda Zeliznik

H. Charles Hoffman motioned; seconded by John Sabia to approve the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, April 14, 2005, page 1-9.

Roll Call: 9-0 Carried

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mr. Tom Murphy

John Sabia motioned; seconded by Tom Murphy to approve the accounts payable on pages 10-18 excluding check #00167496 on page 11 as per the attached copies:

- ▶ James Spinola asked what program is being used for accounts payable. Ms. Les replied it is software through Central Susquehanna IU 16. He asked if there is any way to increase the number of descriptions instead of going through the invoices or the files. Ms. Les replied that they are standardized based on the account code they are assigned to. Ms. Kotzmann suggested that the check register could be used, as it gave a breakdown of every invoice. However, it is approximately twenty pages long and would still not list any further description. The description is based on the object codes by the State's Accounting Manual.

Roll Call: 9-0 Carried

OLD BUSINESS:

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS: Mr. Jason Fisher

No report

SOLICITOR: Mr. Daniel Corveleyn, Mr. Gerard Geiger

No report

OTHER

No reports

NEW BUSINESS:

COLONIAL IU 20: Ms. Nancy Kresge

Nancy Kresge reported that at the meeting last night:

- ▶ Saucon Valley is considering joining the Colonial Academy project which could lower our fees;
- ▶ May 2, 2005 at 9:00 am is the ground breaking ceremony for the new building;
- ▶ IU20 obtained a letter of credit from Keystone Nazareth Bank for \$1,202,893.80 for the purpose of the construction project. This will not effect what the schools have to pay.
- ▶ Audit is complete and everything is in good order.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT: Mr. James Spinola

James Spinola reported that he attended a workshop last week where they reviewed various bills. Good news report is that the Governor's initial budget included a 2 ½% increase in basic and special education subsidy. Major discussion on Act 72 took place with some school districts and state legislators.

PV STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE: Ms. Ayla Asmund

No report

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: Dr. Frank A. Pullo

Overview of 2005-06 Proposed Budget: Dr. Frank A. Pullo, Ms. Donna Les

Dr. Pullo stated that we are asking to advertise the budget for 2005-2006. He stated that the process began back in September of 2004 when administrators and department heads put together a preliminary budget. Budget will be advertised so the public may see it and review it. The budget must be advertised for at least 30 days before board approval. The district will be asking for approval on June 23, 2005. Budget will be posted on our website, www.pvbears.org on Monday. Dr. Pullo announced that the budget presentation meeting is being changed from May 12th to May 26th in order to have more time to prepare.

Dr. Pullo gave an overview of the budget for 2005-06. The following action occurred:

John Sabia motioned; seconded by Susan Kresge to approve advertising the 2005-06 proposed budget at 122.49 mills, an increase of 8.84 mills or 7.7% from the 2004-05 approved budget and to advertise for professional and support staff positions for 2005-06.

This action allows for public inspection of the budget proposal. It does not signify approval of the budget.

Roll Call: 9-0 Carried

Discussion of Act 72

Dr. Pullo stated that there were approximately 172 people who attended the two Act 72 meeting that described what Act 72 means. Dr. Pullo emphasized that it is important for the community to learn as much as they can about Act 72. The presentation is on the website and he invited anyone to call either himself or Ms. Les with questions or concerns. School Board must make a decision by May 30th whether the district will opt in or not. Dr. Pullo stated that many school districts are struggling with this decision.

School Districts have asked the governor to extend the deadline for opting in or out. The funding from gambling will not be available until 2007-2008. Dr. Pullo stated that the uncertainty of what that funding will be is one reason why a district would decide to opt out of Act 72. Other reasons are that some people feel that this kind of money (gambling) should not be used to fund schools and Act 71 is being challenged in court.

- ▶ James Spinola asked Dr. Pullo what we may learn from now until May 30th. Dr. Pullo replied that he feels nothing more except if there would be an extension on the date. There will be no dollar amounts. Mr. Spinola stated that he attended many IU 20 roundtable meetings on Act 72 and that the Governor has pointed out that PV is the poster child for Act 72. He feels we need to send a message to Harrisburg that this is not the tax relief we are asking for. James Spinola asked to make a motion for the board to opt out of Act 72. At this time a citizen asked to speak:
- ▶ Jerry McGuigan, Chestnuthill Township, commented that he agrees with Mr. Spinola on Act 72. He feels that Act 72 is not tax relief, it is tax shifting. He stated that Senator Tighe was asked if schools would still get money if they opt out and he could not answer the question. He feels that state law would not allow them to discriminate against school districts.
- ▶ At this time, James Spinola again announced that he has made a motion to opt out of Act 72. Due to a lack of a second, no further action occurred.
- ▶ Susan Kresge commented that she did not attend the April 20th presentation. She feels that the community was advised that the School Board would not make a decision until just prior to May 30, 2005 and were given until then to voice their comments and concerns.
- ▶ James Spinola commented that he is not in favor of Act 72 and that it does not help the students of our school district. It is sending the wrong message using gambling funds to educate our students.
- ▶ Susan Kresge asked Mr. Corevelyn about a resolution that was emailed to school solicitors. The resolution is about opting into Act 72 with safety clauses. Mr. Corevelyn stated that he has seen the resolution but not sure that it will work. Ms. Kresge asked Mr. Corevelyn to bring the resolution to the next meeting.
- ▶ Dr. Pullo and the PVSD Board of Education feel that there is a need for some type of tax relief.

Enrollment as of April 22, 2005 = 7,010 (page 19)

PERSONNEL AND GENERAL ADMINISTRATION: Mr. Anthony Fadule

John Sabia motioned; seconded by Russ Gould to approve item #6.4.1-6.4.2 and items # 6.4.1-6.4.3 on the addendum with the following revisions noted:6.4.1.1.2A - retroactive to 4/18/05, #6.4.1.1.2E - retroactive to 4/15/05, and #6.4.3 on the addendum, add "wishes to remain on the substitute list". The report is as follows:

6.4 Personnel and General Administration

April 28, 2005

6.4.1 Hiring of Personnel*

6.4.1.1 Support Staff

6.4.1.1.1 Sandra Broyles was approved for a change in employment status from part-time to full-time bus driver, effective April 14, 2005.

6.4.1.1.2 Substitutes

- a. Diane Bednarek - Custodian (retroactive to April 18, 2005)
- b. Nancy Foertsch - Secretary
- c. Victoria Garrido - Monitor/Cafeteria helper (retroactive to April 13, 2005)
- d. Antoinette Mullen - Custodian
- e. Carol Rothrock - Custodian (retroactive to April 21, 2005)

6.4.1.2 Professional Staff
6.4.1.2.1 High School Spring School

The following were approved for high school spring school:

English -1 credit course-30 hours -Mr. Pappalardo
Mathematics -1 credit course-30 hours -Mr. Witinski
Social Studies - 1 credit course-30 hours - Ms. Snopek
Graduation Project - .5 credit course-15 hour-Mr. Brown

- 6.4.1.2.2 Substitutes
a. Jennie Fiore - All Areas
b. Jessica Tombs - Elementary

6.4.2 Leaves of Absence

6.4.2.1 Family and Medical Leave

- 6.4.2.1.1 Nancy Everett, PVE PPA, was approved for an extension of her family & medical leave for the following eighteen (18) days: March 9 through April 5, April 8 and one-half (1/2) day on April 13 and one-half (1/2) day on April 15, 2005.

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

- 6.4.2.1.2 Dan Mulligan, high school teacher, was approved for family & medical leave, as per Board policy, for nine (9) days, effective April 12 through April 22, 2005.

- 6.4.2.1.3 Ruby Solt, high school nurse, was approved for family & medical leave, as per Board policy, for approximately twenty-eight (28) days, effective April 26 through on or about June 3, 2005.

6.4.2.2 Leaves Without Pay

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

- 6.4.2.2.1 Kathy Beidleman, Eldred Elementary School monitor, was approved for leave without pay for one (1) day, effective April 26, 2005.
- 6.4.2.2.2 Sandra Soto-Cadiz, Polk Elementary School cafeteria helper, was approved for leave without pay for one-half (1/2) day effective April 1, 2005.
- 6.4.2.2.3 Colleen Campbell, PVI monitor, was approved for leave without pay for two (2) days, effective April 4 and 5, 2005.
- 6.4.2.2.4 Kimberly Chiselko, PVE cafeteria helper, was approved for leave without pay for one (1) day, effective May 13, 2005.
- 6.4.2.2.5 Gina DeVito-Curry, middle school cafeteria helper, was approved for leave without pay for one (1) day, effective April 11, 2005.
- 6.4.2.2.6 Elsa Henn, monitor, was approved for leave without pay for three (3) days, effective April 4, 11, and 14, 2005.
- 6.4.2.2.7 Carol Kearns, high school monitor, was approved for leave without pay for one (1) day, effective April 1, 2005.
- 6.4.2.2.8 Debra LaBar, high school PPA, was approved leave for without pay for two (2) days, effective April 22 and 25, 2005.
- 6.4.2.2.9 Lisette Marks, PVE PPA, was approved leave for without pay for one (1) day, effective April 19, 2005.
- 6.4.2.2.10 Tauyna Pettis, bus driver, was approved for leave without pay effective for the following one-half (1/2) days: April 4, 15, and 19, 2005.
- 6.4.2.2.11 Karen Rice, bus driver, was approved for leave without pay for one (1) day, effective April 7, 2005.
- 6.4.2.2.12 Christine Rizzi, high school monitor, was approved for leave without pay for one (1) day, effective April 11, 2005.
- 6.4.2.2.13 Judy Sanbeg, PVI cafeteria helper, was approved for leave without pay for one (1) day, effective April 13, 2005.

- 6.4.2.2.14 Mary Schauer, PVI cafeteria helper, was approved for leave without pay for one-half (1/2) day, effective April 7, 2005.
- 6.4.2.2.15 Rosemarie Smale, PVI custodian, was approved for leave without pay for the following two and one-half (2-1/2) days: April 1, April 8, and one-half (1/2) day on April 15, 2005.
- 6.4.2.2.16 Sharan Wernet, middle school cafeteria helper, was approved for leave without pay for one (1) day, effective April 8, 2005.

6.4 Addendum April 28, 2005

6.4.1 Hiring of Personnel*

6.4.1.1 Support Staff

6.4.1.1.1 Lingurina Ellenberger was approved for a change in employment status from substitute to part-time transportation monitor, effective April 21, 2005.

6.4.1.1.2 Substitutes

- a. Rickie Kuntzman - Custodian

6.4.1.2 Professional Staff

6.4.1.2.1 Patrick Smith was approved for the position of administrative assistant to the principal at Eldred Elementary School for the 2005-2006 school year, effective July 1, 2005 at his teacher's salary plus a stipend of \$3500.

6.4.1.2.2 Substitutes

- a. Jenelle Kiser - Elementary
- b. Janice Smith - Elementary
- c. Denise O'Connell - All Areas

6.4.1.3 Other

6.4.1.3.1 Donna Les was approved for the position of Board secretary retroactive to July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2007.

6.4.1.3.2 Monica Kotzmann was approved for the position of assistant Board secretary retroactive to July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2007.

6.4.2 Leaves of Absence

6.4.2.1 Leaves Without Pay

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

6.4.2.1.1 Sandra Broyles, bus driver, was approved for leave without pay for approximately twenty-seven (27) days, effective on or about May 2 through June 8, 2005.

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

6.4.2.1.2 Kim Chiselko, PVE cafeteria helper, was approved for leave without pay for one (1) day, effective May 10, 2005.

6.4.2.1.3 Barbara Hill, high school monitor, was approved for leave without pay for one (1) day, effective April 21, 2005.

6.4.2.1.4 Patricia Middaugh, middle school monitor, was approved for leave without pay for eleven (11) days, effective May 24 through June 8, 2005.

6.4.2.1.5 Christine Rizzi, high school monitor, was approved for leave without pay for one (1) day, effective April 21, 2005.

6.4.2.1.6 Judy Sanbeg, PVI cafeteria helper, was approved for leave without pay for two (2) days, effective May 2 and 3, 2005.

6.4.2.1.7 Cindy Walters, high school monitor, was approved for leave without pay for three (3) days, effective April 14, 15, and 19, 2005.

6.4.3 Resignation

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

- a. Sharon Frigiola, high school secretary, effective April 28, 2005. Ms. Frigiola wishes to remain on the substitute list.

- ▶ Michelle Palmer asked what the duration of Spring School was. Mr. Gress replied that it ran from April 19, 2005, to May 9, 2005.

Roll Call: 8-1 Carried
Voting no: M. Palmer

ASST. TO THE SUPERINTENDENT FOR PROFESSIONAL /SUPPORT PERSONNEL: Ms.C. Rissmiller
Nancy Kresge motioned; seconded by Russ Gould to approve item #6.5.1, item #6.5.1.1-6.5.1.2 on the addendum and item #6.5.9.1-6.5.9.6 as follows:

- 6.5.1 For Your Approval
 - 6.5.1.1 Fall 2005 Coaching Position
 - 6.5.1.1.1 Boys' Soccer Head Coach - Mr. Steve Hicks *Step 3*

Addendum

- 6.5.1.1 Approval was granted to contract with Shawnee Academy, Licensed Private Academic School, for Alternative Education services for the academic year 2005–2006. The contract will provide for the placement of up to 15 students on a daily basis. The cost of these contracted services is \$110,000. The contract amount is the same as for the 2003-2004 and 2004–2005 school years.

- 6.5.1.2 Approval was granted to contract with the Quad 3 Group to prepare the necessary land development applications and notification to PA Department of Education for the relocation of six (6) modular classrooms from the Pleasant Valley High School to Chestnuthill Elementary, Eldred Elementary, Pleasant Valley Intermediate, and Pleasant Valley Middle School. This work will also include permitting and layout of the modular placement. The fees for this work will be billed on a time and material basis. The district will request a weekly report that details the costs incurred with this work to insure close monitoring of the project.

OPERATIONS FACILITY: Mr. C. Fisher, Mr. J. Percey

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| 6.5.9.1 | Organization | Monroe County Recreation |
| | Facility Requested | Pleasant Valley Intermediate Gymnasium, Cafeteria, Playground & Fields |
| | Purpose | Children's Summer Recreation Program |
| | Dates/Times | Monday-Friday June 27 th -August 5 th 2005 8:30-3:30PM |
| | Requestor | Rebecca Colarusso |
| | Attendance | Estimated 60 |
| | Tuition | None |
| | Fee by District | Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply |
| 6.5.8.2 | Organization | Monroe County Recreation |
| | Facility Requested | Pleasant Valley Elementary Gymnasium, Cafeteria, Playground & Fields |
| | Purpose | Children's Summer Recreation Program |
| | Dates/Times | Monday-Friday June 27 th -August 5 th 2005 8:30-3:30PM |
| | Requestor | Rebecca Colarusso |
| | Attendance | Estimated 60 |
| | Tuition | None |
| | Fee by District | Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply |
| 6.5.8.3 | Organization | Monroe County Recreation |
| | Facility Requested | Pleasant Valley Elementary Two Music Rooms |
| | Purpose | Children's Dance |
| | Dates/Times | Wednesdays June 8 th -August 24 th 2005 8:45-12:00 Noon |
| | Requestor | Rebecca Colarusso |
| | Attendance | Estimated 30 |
| | Tuition | None |
| | Fee by District | Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply |
| 6.5.8.4 | Organization | Monroe County Recreation |
| | Facility Requested | Pleasant Valley Middle School Tennis Courts |

	Purpose	Tennis Program
	Dates/Times	Tuesdays June 21st-August 2nd 2005 4:45-8:15PM
	Requestor	Rebecca Colarusso
	Attendance	Estimated 16
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply
6.5.8.5	Organization	Western Pocono Community Library
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley Middle School Tennis Courts
	Purpose	Tennis Tournaments
	Dates/Times	Saturday & Sundays June 18 th , 19 th , July 9 th , 10 th , 16 th and 17 th 2005 8:30AM-12:00 Noon
	Requestor	Barbara Wilke
	Attendance	Estimated 35
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply
6.5.8.6	Organization	Colonial IU 20
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley Intermediate Multi-Purpose Room
	Purpose	Graduate Course
	Dates/Times	Monday-Friday July 11 th -August 5 th 2005 8:00AM-12:30PM
	Requestor	Michael Caprari
	Attendance	Estimated 25
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 2, All Appropriate Custodial & Security Fees Apply

- ▶ James Spinola asked what the stipend is for the soccer head coach. To the best of Dr. Pullo's knowledge, it is \$4,600.0

Roll Call: 9-1 Carried

Following a discussion, James Spinola, seconded by John Sabia, to amend Item #6.5.1.2 to read, "not to exceed \$10,000.00."

Roll Call: 9-1 Carried

Remainder of report included metal detector report, district's events and Educational Foundation updates.

Next Buildings and Grounds workshop is scheduled for Monday, May 16, 2005 at 7:00 pm.

- ▶ James Spinola asked if the Board could receive occasional infraction reports from the Metal Detector process. He was advised that they are available to be seen. He also questioned how long the metal detector process was and advised that it took approximately 20 minutes.

FOOD SERVICES: Ms. Bonnie Grammes

Participation reports were attached.

TRANSPORTATION SERVICES: Mr. Tony Pierri, Ms. Joyce Smith

No report

ACTING DIRECTOR OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS: Mr. Jason Fisher

No report

CUSTODIAL/WAREHOUSE: Mr. Howard Scott

No report

CLERKS OF THE WORKS: Mr. Roger Borger

No report

CURRICULUM AND STAFF DEVELOPMENT: Ms. Carole Rissmiller

MATHEMATICS: Mr. John Rushefski, Ms. Carole Rissmiller

Carole Rissmiller and John Rushefski gave an update on the Accelerated Math Program. The Board was presented with information concerning the expansion of the program to the fourth grade in the 2005-2006 school year. Thomas Murphy asked about comments from the parents on this program, the training of a substitute teacher, and the cost of paper use for this program. John Rushefski encouraged the Board to visit the classrooms where this program is being taught.

READING: Ms. Dora Tartar

Informational items as listed Read, Read, Read Program, Red Baron's Reading Program, 22nd Annual Reading Fair.

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

No report

TECHNOLOGY: Dr. Jeffrey Holmes, Mr. Jason Blubaugh

No report

ELEMENTARY DIVISIONS:

PLEASANT VALLEY INTERMEDIATE: Mr. James Storm, Ms. Diane Szader, Mr. J. Gunnels

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

Susan Kresge asked for information pertaining to Student Recognition. Mr. Storm advised her of this information.

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

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

MiChelle Palmer commented on the high enrollment numbers for Grade 2. She was advised that this is being addressed before the children enter 3rd Grade in 2005-2006.

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

John Sabia motioned; seconded by Linda Micklos to approve the following requests for homebound instruction:

Student ID #

203664Medical, retroactive to April 13, 2005

203558Medical, retroactive to April 19, 2005

Roll Call: 9-0 Carried

Susan Kresge motioned, seconded by H. Charles Hoffman to approve the Summer School program for Grades 7-12, as follows:

Responsibility and Subjects

Grades 7 - 8 Middle School responsibility, located at the Middle School
Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Reading, and English

Grades 9 -12 High School responsibility, located at the High School
Any subject needed.

Hours of Operation (30)

8:00 A.M. to 10:00 A.M. (Session I)

10:00 A.M. to 10:15 A.M. Break

10:15 A.M. to 12:15 A.M. (Session II)

15 days -- June 27 through July 18, 2005

Tuition Costs (No Refunds)

\$150.00 per course for district residents

\$250.00 per course for nonresidents

Miscellaneous

Payment due by June 24, 2005 for each course. Only certified checks, money orders, or cash accepted.
Registration completed by the appropriate guidance office through June 22, 2005.
Transportation arranged by the parent.
Students may be absent only one (1) time as excused by a doctor's note.
Students dismissed from the program for discipline/attendance reasons will not receive a refund. Only one discipline warning will be given.

Roll Call: 9-0 Carried

Enrollment report was attached.

Mr. Drake made special mention of the PACE Competition involving the Middle School students. Due to their excelling in this competition they were asked to move on. As a result, a new competition was implemented to adhere to the Pocono region. Competition was held today at the High School; and, again the Middle School students were victors.

PLEASANT VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL: Mr. John Gress, Mr. R. Hines, Ms. H. Marsili, Mr. C. Dimmick
Thomas Murphy motioned; seconded by Susan Kresge to approve the following requests for homebound instruction:

Request for homebound instruction for the following student(s):

<u>I.D.#</u>	<u>Reason</u>
207885	Medical, retroactive to March 9
200750	Medical, retroactive to March 23
201503	Medical, retroactive to March 31
202216	Medical, retroactive to April 4
202604	Medical, retroactive to April 12
201943	Medical, retroactive to April 18

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

Roll Call: 9-0 Carried

James Spinola motioned, seconded by Nancy Kresge to approve Fall, Winter, Spring School for Grades 10-12 for the remediation of students who have failed previous courses as follows:

Responsibility and Subjects

Grades 10-12 High School responsibility, located at the High School.

All subjects as needed.

Hours of Operation (Tentative)

3:00 PM -5:00 PM	(15/7 days)	Fall	Nov. 15-Dec. 8
		Winter	Feb. 28-Mar. 18
		Spring	April 20---May 14

(30 hours 1 credit--15 days, 15 hours .50 credit--7 days)

Tuition Costs (No Refunds)

\$150.00 per 1 credit course, \$75.00 per .50 credit course for district residents

Miscellaneous:

Payment and Registration due 1 week prior to the beginning of session. Only certified checks, money orders, or cash accepted. Registration completed by the appropriate guidance office. Transportation arranged by the parent. Students may be absent only one (1) time as excused by a doctor's note. Students dismissed from the program for discipline, attendance reasons will not receive a refund. Only one discipline warning will be given.

Roll Call: 9-0 Carried

Remainder of report was informational. Enrollment report was attached. Mr. Gress made special note of the upcoming events of the Academic and Athletic Awards Ceremonies, graduation, and Special Olympics. There will also be a mock crash, held for seniors on May 13, 2005. He commented on student, JacQueline Palmer, being nominated to the PA Governor's School of Arts and on ten FBLA students being elevated to national competition.

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

John Sabia motioned; seconded by Susan Kresge to approve items #6.10.1-6.10.5 and #6.10.8, 1-3 as follows:

6.10.1 Approval was granted for the cafeteria accounts payable for March 2005.
Total amount: \$165,144.52.

Approval was granted for the bills payable for March 2005.
Total amount: \$70,964.52.

6.10.2. Student Activity Accounts – for informational purposes

Beginning Balance, March 1, 2005	\$260,477.32
Receipts	\$55,859.14
Expenditures	\$68,700.45
Ending Balance, February 28, 2005	\$247,636.01

6.10.3. Informational – District investment report for March 2005.

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

2003AA Bond Fund

Quad Three Group	\$17,359.76
PVI Project: architect fee--\$2,508.96	
Polk Project: architect fee--\$7,856.82	
HS Project: architect fee-- \$6,993.98	
Total	\$17,359.76

1997 Bond Fund

Collinson, Inc.	\$15,500.00
Athletic fields: fencing as per bid	
Cramer's Home Building Centers	\$1,097.71
Athletic fields: materials for dugouts	
Friedman Electric Supply Co., Inc.	\$225.58
Athletic fields: electric materials	
Total	\$16,823.29

2004 Bond Fund

United Inspection Services	\$1,582.00
HS Auditorium Project: inspection services	
Total	\$1,582.00

6.10.5 Approval was granted to permit the Pleasant Valley Middle School to dispose of old, out-dated textbooks as per the attached listing.

6.10.8 Supplement

1. The following applications for payment were approved for payment from the Bond Fund indicated:

2004 Bond Fund

Lobar, Inc.	\$275,728.95
High School Project: Application #9	
JBM Plumbing, Inc.	103,407.50
High School Project: Application #9 HVAC	
Lombardo & Lipe Electrical Contractors, Inc.	50,999.00
High School Project: Application #8	
JBM Plumbing, Inc.	9,628.25
High School Project: Application #10 Plumbing	
Total	\$439,763.70

2003AA Bond Fund

ConMas, Inc.	\$52,372.08
PV Intermediate Project: Application #11	

Wind Gap Electric, Inc.	9,509.50
PV Intermediate Project: Application #11	
Bognet, Inc.	3,040.00
PV Intermediate Project: Application #8	
Lagana Construction Services	1,595.11
PV Intermediate Project: Application #11	

Total \$66,516.69

1997 Bond Fund

S. G. Mastriani Construction	\$190,800.00
Polk Project: Application #1	

Total \$190,800.00

2. The following change orders were approved:

Pleasant Valley High School Project

Lobar, Inc.	Change Order #GC2	\$6,959.41 add
provide ground face block in lieu of painted CMU for ramp walls		
Lobar, Inc.	Change Order #GC3	\$1,936.61 add
add vertical exit device to Door 108-2		
Lobar, Inc.	Change Order #GC4	\$2,830.42 add
provide steel lintels in lieu of masonry where door openings occur at ground face block (13 total)		
JBM Plumbing, Inc.	Change Order HVAC#1	\$3,236.14 add
furnish and install the fin tube heat in the work room 121		

3. Approval was granted to pay the following debt service payments from the 1994 bond fund, as per the 2004-2005 budget plan.

Series A of 2003	payable to M&T Investment Group	\$53,056.25
Series AA of 2003	payable to M&T Investment Group	\$99,215.00

Total \$152,271.25

- ▶ James Spinola questioned a certain change order that had been discussed previously. The one in question is not listed on this report.
- ▶ MiChelle Palmer asked for a breakdown on the cost of the athletic fields.
Roll Call: 9-0 Carried

John Sabia motioned; seconded by Susan Kresge to approve the following request:

6.10.6 Approval is requested to proceed with the third year of our computer leasing project at a cost of \$166,000 (three-year total of \$426,000).

- ▶ James Spinola questioned the possibility to lease with dollar buy-out for the above item. This cannot be done because of the debt service borrowing base.
Roll Call: 4-5 Not Carried
- Voting no: M. Palmer, T. Murphy, C. Hoffman, R. Gould, L. Micklos

Tom Murphy motioned; seconded by Russ Gould to approve the following request:

6.10.7 Approval is requested to proceed with the third year of our computer leasing project at a cost of \$130,000 (three-year total of \$390,000).

Roll Call: 7-2 Carried
Voting no: S. Kresge, J. Sabia

SOLICITOR: Mr. Daniel Corveleyn, Mr. Gerard Geiger

No report

PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DIRECTORS

- ▶ Susan Kresge asked if there is a policy that students can only travel throughout the building in pairs. The answer is "No."
- ▶ James Spinola questioned the policing of non-resident students. Dr. Pullo gave a brief overview of the process. Mr. Spinola asked for a copy of the policy.

- ▶ Linda Micklos, Nancy Kresge, and Russ Gould all commented on the Academic Fair and congratulated everyone involved.
- ▶ Nancy Kresge thanked Mr. Gress for his allowing her to participate in the High School's art program.
- ▶ MiChelle Palmer asked if all students participate in Spring photos.
- ▶ Thomas Murphy questioned the bus driver's role in the IEP process. Ms. McMasters and Ms. Caines both commented that bus drivers are asked to participate on an as needed basis, and also receive in-service training. MiChelle Palmer requested that bus drivers be invited to IEP meetings. Linda Micklos asked if this would violate any confidentiality. It was advised that as an employee of the School District, bus drivers are the same as any employee in regard to confidentiality.

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 10:23PM.

Carried

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: May 12, 2005 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved May 12, 2005

Donna Les
Board Secretary

Monica Kotzmann
Assistant Board Secretary