

PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Brodheadsville, PA 18322

Minutes of the September 7, 2023 Board of Education Meeting

Board Approved 9-21-2023

CALL TO ORDER:

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Pleasant Valley School District Board of Education was held on September 7, 2023 and called to order by President Susan Kresge at 7:04 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ms. Debra Duff followed by a moment of silence. The meeting was held in the Pleasant Valley School District Conference Room, 2233 Route 115, Brodheadsville, PA 18322.

Roll Call – School Board Recorder: Ms. Debra Duff

School Board members in attendance: Mrs. Susan Kresge, Mr. Todd Kresge, Mr. Robert Clark, Mr. Norm Burger, Ms. Teresa Greggo, Mrs. Melanie Zipp, Mrs. Diane Serfass. Absent: Mr. Delbert Zacharias, Mr. Michael Galler.

Administrative staff in attendance: Dr. James Konrad, Superintendent, Dr. Rae Lin Howard, Mrs. Lori Fulmer, Supervisor of Human Resources, Mr. Michael Simonetta, Business Manager, Mrs. Tammy Smale, Assistant Business Manager, Mrs. Kathleen Franklin, Assistant Board Secretary, Mr. Randy Smale, Director of Operations, Ms. Bernadette Fierro, Curriculum Supervisor, Mr. Chuck Tomori, Technology Coordinator, Ms. Julie Harris, Director of Special Education, Mr. Robert Miller, Chief of School Police.

Building Administrative staff in attendance: Ms. Josephine Fields, Ms. Sara Adams, Ms. Ms. Jamie Rockwell, Ms. Kendal Askins, Mr. Tim McCutchan.

School Solicitor in attendance: Mark Fitzgerald, Esq.

Notification of Executive Session:

President Susan Kresge announced that an executive session was held on September 7, 2023 immediately prior to the regularly scheduled meeting for the purposes of personnel matters including, but not limited to, performance and/or discipline; negotiations; and legal issues.

Recognition: President Susan Kresge read a Proclamation by the School Board honoring PVSD teacher Marc Fleming for actions taken by performing the Heimlich maneuver on an individual who was choking and he was able to dislodge the food. Mr. Fleming was present to receive the honor. The School Board commended and expressed appreciation and gratitude for Mr. Fleming's heroic actions in saving the life of another. The Proclamation is attached hereto.

Superintendent's Response to Community Questions: Dr. Konrad addressed the concerns expressed about transportation issues. He spoke about the construction issues and the delays in bus schedules. He explained the high school busing issues as well as the combined bus routes for PVI and PVE being a new process and explained the rationale for the change which has proved to be more efficient and effective to get students home in a more timely fashion. Dr. Konrad said that staff continues to have weekly transportation meetings to discuss how we can facilitate more expedited bus routes and he thanked First Student, bus drivers, and staff in navigating through the ongoing construction issues. Dr. Konrad also addressed the question about earlier drop off at the high school and stated that the staff at the high school arrives before students and the doors open at 7:05 AM.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Mrs. Tammy Smale, Board Secretary

Mr. Burger motioned, seconded by Mr. Clark to approve the minutes of the Board of Education Meeting held on August 24, 2023; approve the Board Meeting Agenda of September 7, 2023, amended to include Informational Agenda item #9.I. – Resignation of Taylor Womack as JV Volleyball Coach, effective August 24, 2023.

VOICE VOTE: 7-0 CARRIED

President Kresge announced the meeting procedures and an opportunity was given for Pleasant Valley citizens to address the Board on agenda items:

Pleasant Valley Citizens – (Agenda items): There were no community members wishing to comment.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mrs. Diane Serfass

Mr. Burger motioned, seconded by Mrs. Zipp to approve Agenda item #4.A. – Accounts Payable, as attached:

Approval of Agenda item #4.B. – Manual Checks August 1, 2023 through August 31, 2023.

Approval of Agenda item #4.C. – Manual Checks August 1, 2023 through August 2023 – PSDLAF
 Approval of Agenda item #4.D. – Accounts Payable September 7, 2023.

VOICE VOTE: 7-0 CARRIED
 Abstained on Agenda item #4.D. Check No. 0000238420: Mr. Kresge 6-0-1 CARRIED (Abstention form attached)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Solicitor: Mark Fitzgerald, Esq. – No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Monroe Career & Technical Institute: Mrs. Diane Serfass – No report.

Colonial IU20: An informational report was provided.

PSBA Legislative Liaison Report: Mrs. Melanie Zipp – No report.

Education Committee: Mrs. Susan Kresge – No report.

Finance Committee: Mr. Norm Burger – Mr. Burger stated that the remaining items in the 2023-2024 budget which have not been approved by a lack of fiscal code are in limbo. The PA House returns at the end of the month.

Athletic Committee: Ms. Teresa Greggo – No report.

Policy Committee: Mrs. Diane Serfass – No report.

Capital Improvement Plan Report: Mr. Norm Burger – Mr. Burger stated that the Committee met with KCBA Architects to view some primary areas that might be impacted by renovation. In addition discussion was held about the list of requirements and some of the preliminary concepts that KCBA will be using for renovation. Mr. Burger said that between now and November, meetings will be held every other week.

SUPERINTENDENT-REPORT/REQUESTS: Dr. James Konrad

Agenda item #7.A. – Informational: The September Enrollment Report was provided. Dr. Konrad stated that a significant number of students have come back to brick and mortar.

HUMAN RESOURCES: Mrs. Lori Fulmer

Ms. Greggo motioned, seconded by Mr. Kresge to approve Agenda item #8.A. – Personnel Items:

Approval of Agenda item #8.B. – Hiring of Professional Staff – Long Term Substitute:

1.	Name:	David Imhof
	Position:	Music Teacher
	Building:	½ PVHS and ½ PVMS
	Salary:	B, Step 1: \$47,357 (prorated)
	Effective Date:	September 5, 2023 – December 22, 2023
	Replace:	Employee #3774

Approval of Agenda item #8.C. – Supplemental Contracts – Athletic:
 Appointment herein and the District's obligation to pay the coaches and supplemental positions approved in this motion(s) is subject to the District's ability to hold and/or participate in the activity in light of the COVID-19 Crisis. In the event (1) the District is closed or providing modified services, (2) unable to hold the activity as the result of direction from outside agencies such as PDE, PIAA, the CDC, the Governor's Office, District XI, etc., or (3) the Administration determines not to hold such activities for the safety of the students and community, the District shall have no obligation to pay athletic and non-athletic contracts appointed herein. In the event sports and/or activities are reduced, the athletic and non-athletic contracts approved herein shall be paid a pro-rata amount of the stipends herein based on the percentage of the season/activity that was held and students participated. The decision to cancel and/or discontinue the activities or sports season shall be at the exclusive discretion of the administration based, in part, on guidance from the Center for Disease Control, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, other health agencies, and student participation in such activities.

	Name	Sport	Position	Level	Salary
1.	Melissa Bruckman	Girls Volleyball	JV Assistant Coach	L1	\$4,550.00

Approval of Agenda item #8.D. – Supplemental Contracts – Non-Athletic:

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	Name	Position	Salary
1.	Jennifer Mulder	Social Studies Department Chairperson (3-5)	\$1,137.50 Split Stipend
2.	Leticia Dipipi	Social Studies Department Chairperson (3-5)	\$1,137.50 Split Stipend
3.	Paul McCrone	Social Studies Department Chairperson (6-8)	\$2,275.00
4.	Roxanne Scott	Library Media Department Chairperson (K-12)	\$2,275.00
5.	Bron Leupold	Special Education Department Chairperson (K-5)	\$2,275.00

Approval of Agenda item #8.E. – Leave Without Pay:

1.	Name:	Donna Lamb
	Position:	Custodian
	Building:	PVIS
	Number of Days:	Eight (8) Hours
	Dates:	August 8, 2023

VOICE VOTE: 7-0 CARRIED

Agenda item #8.F. – Informational: Resignation:

	Name	Position	Building	Effective Date
1.	Linda Chiesa	Custodian	PVMS	September 6, 2023
2.	Christina Blomberg	Food Service Employee	PVE	August 23, 2023

ADDENDUM – HUMAN RESOURCES: Mrs. Lori Fulmer

Ms. Greggo motioned, seconded by Mr. Kresge to approve Addendum item #9.A. – Personnel Addendum Items:

Approval of Addendum item #9.B. – Start Date Correction:

1.	Name:	Erin Steiner
	Position:	Guidance Counselor
	Correct Start Date:	August 21, 2023
	Previously Approved:	July 20, 2023

Approval of Addendum item #9.C. – Hiring of Support Staff (pending receipt of required paperwork):

1.	Name:	Gwendolyn Harris
	Position:	Building Secretary
	Building:	PVMS
	Salary:	\$32,786 (prorated)
	Effective Date:	October 2, 2023

Approval of Addendum item #9.D. – Supplemental Contracts: Non-Athletic:

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on the percentage of the season/activity that was held and students participated. The decision to cancel and/or discontinue the activities or sports season shall be at the exclusive discretion of the administration based, in part, on guidance from the Center for Disease Control, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, other health agencies, and student participation in such activities.

	Name	Position	Salary
1.	Brian Morgan	School Counseling Department Chairperson (6-12)	\$2,275.00
2.	Christie Doll	Audio-Visual Building Coordinator (PVES)	\$862.50
3.	Christie Doll	Technology Building Coordinator (PVES)	\$2,312.50
4.	Craig Morris	Audio-Visual Building Coordinator (PVHS)	\$862.50
5.	Craig Morris	Technology Building Coordinator (PVHS)	\$2,312.50
6.	Sean Crosby	Audio-Visual Building Coordinator (PVIS)	\$862.50
7.	Sean Crosby	Technology Building Coordinator (PVIS)	\$2,312.50
8.	James Igoe	Audio-Visual Building Coordinator (PVMS)	\$862.50
9.	Christopher Jarrow	Technology Building Coordinator (PVMS)	\$2,312.50

Approval of Addendum item #9.E. – Intramural Advisors: If the intramural runs at least 9 weeks and a total of 54 hours, one stipend of \$1,240.00 will be distributed. In the event the intramural does not meet the 54-hour requirement, payment will be distributed using the hourly intramural rate of \$21.00 per hour per the Supplemental Contract.

1.	Club/Activity:	Fall Baseball/Speed Work
	Advisor:	Joe Anderton
	Advisor:	Mike Borger
	Advisor:	Mike Walters
	Volunteer:	Jeremy Gigliotti
	Dates:	September 8, 2023 – October 27, 2023
	Day(s):	Monday – Friday
	Times:	4:00 PM – 6:00 PM
	Building:	PVHS

Approval of Addendum item #9.F. – Affiliation Agreement between Pleasant Valley School District and Temple University as provided.

VOICE VOTE: 7-0 CARRIED

Addendum item #9.G. – Informational: Family and Medical Leave:

1.	Employee ID:	1520
	Position:	Professional
	Building:	PVMS
	Number of Days:	Forty-Four (44)
	Dates:	August 28, 2023 – October 30, 2023

Addendum item #9.H. – Informational: Retirement:

	Name	Position	Building	Effective Date
1.	Susan Marcin	Paraprofessional Associate	PVES	November 3, 2023

Addendum item #9.I. – Informational: Resignation:

	Name	Position	Effective Date
1.	Taylor Womack	JV Volleyball Coach	August 2,4 2023

CURRICULUM & STAFF DEVELOPMENT: Dr. Rae Lin Howard – No report.

OPERATIONS SERVICES: Mr. Randy Smale –

Mr. Kresge motioned, seconded by Ms. Greggo to approve Agenda item #11. – Operations Items:

Approval of Agenda item #11.A. – Facility Usage:

A.	Organization	Girls on the Run Pocono
	Schedule ID Number	12359
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley Middle School Cafeteria

	Purpose	Empower Girls to Run
	Dates/Times	September 18, 2023 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
	Requestor	Alison Fennell
	Attendance	25
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 3, All Appropriate Fees Apply
B.	Organization	Girls on the Run Pocono
	Schedule ID Number	12361
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley Intermediate School Parking Lot
	Purpose	After School Health and Wellness
	Dates/Times	September 19, 2023 through November 30, 2023 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. September Dates: 19, 21, 26, 28 October Dates: 3, 5, 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, 26, 31 November Dates: 2, 7, 9, 14, 16, 21, 28, 30
	Requestor	Jodi Swanson
	Attendance	24
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 3, All Appropriate Fees Apply
C.	Organization	Girls on the Run Pocono
	Schedule ID Number	12362
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley Intermediate School Auxiliary Gym
	Purpose	After School Health and Wellness
	Dates/Times	September 19, 2023 through December 7, 2023 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. September Dates: 19, 21, 26, 28 October Dates: 3, 5, 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, 26, 31 November Dates: 2, 7, 9, 14, 16, 21, 28, 30 December Dates: 5, 7
	Requestor	Alison Fennell
	Attendance	24
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 3, All Appropriate Fees Apply
D.	Organization	PV Bruins Wrestling
	Schedule ID Number	12393
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley Middle School Cafeteria
	Purpose	Regular Season Practices
	Dates/Times	November 1, 2023 through December 28, 2023 November Dates: 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 28, 29, 30 December Dates: 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 27, 28
	Requestor	Trista Vanderah
	Attendance	30
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 3, All Appropriate Fees Apply
E.	Organization	PV Bruins Wrestling
	Schedule ID Number	12394
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley High School New Gym, Lobby, Concession Stand
	Purpose	Bruins Annual Youth Team Wrestling Tournament
	Dates/Times	November 12, 2023 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
	Requestor	Trista Vanderah
	Attendance	30
	Tuition	None

	Fee by District	Class 3, All Appropriate Fees Apply
F.	Organization	PV Bruins Wrestling
	Schedule ID Number	12395
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley High School New Gym, Lobby, Concession Stand
	Purpose	Set Up for Duel in the Den Tournament
	Date/Times	November 11, 2023 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
	Requestor	Trista Vanderah
	Attendance	20
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 3, All Appropriate Fees Apply
G.	Organization	Pleasant Valley Cheerleading
	Schedule ID Number	12403
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley Middle School Old Gym, Cafeteria, Lobby, Concession Stand
	Purpose	Craft/Vendor Fair
	Dates/Times	December 9, 2023 7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
	Requestor	Eilyne Kautzsch
	Attendance	200
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 3, All Appropriate Fees Apply
H.	Organization	Girl Scouts in the Heart of PA
	Schedule ID Number	12412
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley Intermediate School Cafeteria/Stage
	Purpose	Girl Scout Fall Event
	Dates/Times	October 23, 2023 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
	Requestor	Robbin Serfass
	Attendance	40
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 3, All Appropriate Fees Apply
I.	Organization	Community Wellness Basketball
	Schedule ID Number	12414
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley Middle School New Gym
	Purpose	Adult Basketball Intramurals
	Dates/Times	September 13, 2023 through May 15, 2024 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. September Dates: 13, 20, 27 October Dates: 4, 11, 18, 25 November Dates: 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 December Dates: 6, 13, 20, 27 January Dates: 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 February Dates: 7, 14, 21, 28 March Dates: 6, 13, 20, 27 April Dates: 3, 10, 17, 24 May Dates: 1, 8, 15
	Requestor	Thomas Kresge
	Attendance	12
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 3A, All Appropriate Fees Apply
J.	Organization	Girls on the Run Pocono
	Schedule ID Number	12419
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley Middle School Cafeteria
	Purpose	After School Health and Wellness
	Dates/Times	September 18, 2023 through December 4, 2023 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

		September Dates: 18, 25 October Dates: 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 November Dates: 6, 13, 20 December Date: 4
	Requestor	Alison Fennell
	Attendance	13
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 3, All Appropriate Fees Apply
K.	Organization	PA Thunder
	Schedule ID Number	12433
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley Elementary School Upper Athletic Field
	Purpose	PA Thunder Lacrosse Practice
	Dates/Times	September 10, 2023 through October 29, 2023 4:00 PM – 6:00PM September Dates: 10, 17, 24 October Dates: 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
	Requestor	Lindsay Lafferman
	Attendance	40
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 3A, All Appropriate Fees Apply

VOICE VOTE: 7-0 CARRIED

BUSINESS MANAGEMENT: Mr. Michael Simonetta

Mr. Burger motioned, seconded by Mrs. Serfass to approve Agenda item #12.A. – Business Management Items:

Approval of Agenda item #12.B. – The following Contracts:

1. Skuba Entertainment - 5 hour DJ package for Prom 05/11/2024. Total Cost \$ 2,500.00
2. Colonial Intermediate Unit# 20 - Special Education Contract for the 2023-2024 school year. Cost for special education services are estimated to be \$2,403,243.
3. Colonial Intermediate Unit# 20 - To provide sign language interpreting service at Pleasant Valley School District. Cost is \$57.72 per hour per student for the 2023-2024 school year.
4. Colonial Intermediate Unit# 20 and Pleasant Valley School District - Alternate and Regular Education Transportation Contract for the 2023-2024 School Year. The cost is projected to be \$3.05 per mile, for each student transported.
5. Colonial Intermediate Unit# 20 - Provide for Child Find Evaluations for the 2023-2024 school year. Rate of services are as follows:
 - a. Adaptive Physical Education - \$ 87.53/hour
 - b. Alternative Augmentative Communication (MC) Evaluation - \$748.00/evaluation
 - c. Educational Audiology Services - \$276.74
 - d. Feeding Team Evaluation - \$1,200.00/evaluation
 - e. Itinerant Hearing Support - \$184.93/hour
 - f. Itinerant Vision Support - \$325.27/hour
 - g. Occupational Therapy - \$140.36/hour
 - h. Orientation and Mobility Services - \$325.27/hour
 - i. Physical Therapy - \$161.33/hour
 - j. Psychological Services - \$136.41/hour
 - k. Speech and Language Support - \$137.73/hour

Approval of Agenda item #12.C. – Student Placement:

- Student #23-24-M-04 – Marple Newtown School District, effective 7/18/2023
- Student #23-24-C-05 – Canon-McMillan School District, effective 9/5/2023

Approval of Agenda item #12.D. – Payment from the 2018 Bond Fund, as provided - \$60,623.02.

VOICE VOTE: 7-0 CARRIED

ADDENDUM – BUSINESS MANAGEMENT: Mr. Michael Simonetta

Mrs. Zipp motioned, seconded by Mr. Burger to approve Addendum item #13:

Approval of Addendum item #13.A. – Playground Project Agreement – Ratification of the attached contract with Recreation Resource USA for the equipment and installation of Playground Equipment at Pleasant Valley Elementary and Intermediate Schools as presented.

Equipment purchased with ESSER funding. Professional Fees and Installation Costs purchased through capital reserve funding.

VOICE VOTE: 7-0 CARRIED

SOLICITOR: Mark Fitzgerald, Esq. – Mr. Fitzgerald provided information with regard to a directive from PDE surrounding eligibility for students who are disabled under IDEA to remain under their IEP until they turn twenty-two (22) years old and that families whose children had aged out at twenty-one (21) need to be alerted that they are under IDEA until the age of twenty-two (22). Mr. Fitzgerald said that there will likely be law suits filed seeking an injunction to stop this claiming that PDE did not have the authority to issue this directive.

PLEASANT VALLEY CITIZENS – Agenda items/Non-Agenda items:

Leigha McGlinch, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concerns about homeschooling issues and safety of student records.

Aleksandra Derylo, Ross Township, expressed concerns about homeschooling and request for medical records.

Mr. Fitzgerald addressed concerns about documentation requested by the District for homeschooled students. He clarified that the referenced documents are not HIPPA protected documents but are protected under FERPA. Mr. Fitzgerald stated that there are protocols in place that the District is to uphold under federal law for protection of these documents.

Leslie Ford, Eldred Township, expressed concern about correspondence received by homeschooling families.

Jessica Place, Eldred Township, expressed concern about lack of communication with regard to transportation for out-of-district students; transportation for special needs students; and combining PVI and PVE bus routes.

Jessica Granzen, Ross Township, expressed concerns about homeschooling documents requested by the District.

Maura Nixon, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concerns about communication received by homeschooling families and documentation requested.

Abby Haberle, Ross Township, expressed concern about poor conditions of the porta potty at the fields; transportation issues.

Trevor Burns, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concerns about homeschooling families and their privacy.

Christine Levin, Eldred Township, expressed concern about correspondence received by homeschooling families.

Chris Ford, Eldred Township, expressed concern about privacy of homeschooling families; reviewed evaluation process for homeschooled students.

Wendy Heller, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern about homeschooling issues and the rights of families.

Nellie Gordon, Chestnuthill Township, expressed her opinion about the public school system; homeschooling issues.

Raquel Guglielmo, Ross Township, expressed concern about transportation issues; busing schedules for PVI and PVE.

End of Public Comment

Mr. Fitzgerald addressed the issue surrounding the request by the District for information from homeschooling parents. He said that PDE has directed districts to obtain this information and referred to Section 1327.1 in the School Code as well as the Health Services provision and regulatory information as required by the State Health Department. He stated that the District is not asking for anything that is not required by law. In addition, Mr. Fitzgerald stated that the letter that was sent to families was in an effort to obtain the necessary information to be in compliance with the law.

PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DIRECTORS:

Ms. Greggo requested the substitute list to be provided at the next District Planning Meeting. In addition, she asked if the Food Services representative would be in attendance at the

meeting. Mr. Simonetta addressed this and discussion was held. Ms. Greggo also inquired about any plans moving forward about diversity meetings.

Mrs. Zipp requested prior enrollment numbers be provided at the District Planning Meeting for comparison.

Mrs. Kresge thanked all for their patience with regard to transportation issues and that the matters will continue to be looked at.

Mr. Kresge spoke about the transportation issues and stated that they will improve.

SUPERINTENDENT REMARKS:

Dr. Konrad addressed transportation issues at the elementary buildings. He said that these issues are being worked through as we continue to have transportation meetings and that PVI and PVE have made revisions to student bus loading procedures; however, there may be possible delays due to ongoing construction. Dr. Konrad also addressed concerns expressed with Homeschool paperwork and letters received and stated that we are only asking parents for information that PDE asked us to collect.

Dr. Konrad stated that school lunches increased by 617 students and thanked the food service staff for all they do. He again expressed gratitude and thanked Mr. Fleming for saving an individual from choking in the classroom. He recognized the 23 PVM students who wrote a play called "Spooky Island: Monster Edition under the direction of Dr. Alexandria Gibb and Ms. Amanda Altemose. He said that the play was funded through a grant from the Pleasant Valley Education Foundation and will run the second weekend in November. Dr. Konrad thanked Kinsley's Shoprite for providing our football team dinner scheduled for September 28th before our Mentor Night and our game against Pocono Mountain West. In addition, he expressed gratitude for community support and thanked Kinsley's for donating Nature Valley Granola Bars to our Athletic Trainers, PVE and PVI nurse's office for our students.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Kresge motioned, seconded by Mr. Clark to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 PM.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Smale, Board Secretary

Debra L. Duff, Board Recorder

The next regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting:
September 21, 2023 @ 7:00 PM