

PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Brodheadsville, PA 18322

Minutes of the May 8, 2025 Board of Education Meeting

Board Approved 5-22-2025

CALL TO ORDER:

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Pleasant Valley School District Board of Education was held on May 8, 2025 and called to order by Vice President Matthew Walters at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Ryan O'Keefe 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: Mr. Matthew Walters, Mrs. Diane Serfass, Mr. John Gesiskie, Mr. Ryan O'Keefe, Mr. Norm Burger, Mrs. Melanie Zipp, Mr. Robert Clark. Absent: Mrs. Susan Kresge, Mr. Michael Galler.

Administrative staff in attendance: Dr. James Konrad, Superintendent, Dr. Rae Lin Howard, Assistant Superintendent, Mrs. Lori Fulmer, Director of Human Resources, Mrs. Tammy Smale, Business Manager, Mrs. Kathleen Franklin, Assistant Board Secretary, Mr. Jason Van Voorhis, Director of Instructional Technology & Innovation, Mr. Randy Smale, Director of Operations, Ms. Deena Boyne, Supervisor of Transportation.

Building Administrative staff in attendance: Ms. Sarah Adams, Mr. Ramon Rodriguez, Ms. Lauryn Bencker, Ms. Sabrina Albright, Mr. Tim McCutchan, Ms. Amber Chiafulio.

School Solicitor in attendance: Mark Fitzgerald, Esq.

Student Government President in attendance: Ms. Mira Giunta

Notification of Executive Session:

Vice President Matthew Walters announced that an executive session was held on May 8, 2025 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.

Election of Board Treasurer:

Mr. Norm Burger nominated Mrs. Diane Serfass for Board Treasurer. There being no further nominations, Mr. Burger motioned to close the nominations, seconded by Mr. Gesiskie. Mrs. Diane Serfass is elected as Board Treasurer, term to begin on July 1, 2025 and to expire on June 30, 2026 by unanimous vote 7-0.

Student Highlights: Pleasant Valley Middle School – Mr. Tim McCutchan, Mrs. Josephine Fields, Mr. Ramon Rodriguez

Principal Tim McCutchan thanked his staff in honor of Teacher Appreciation Week. He and Assistant Principal Ramon Rodriguez presented a video highlighting the wonderful things happening at the Middle School which showcased their staff's commitment to fostering strong student connections.

Student Government: Ms. Mira Giunta, President

Ms. Giunta highlighted events and activities:

- Fifty-two new members were inducted into the Pleasant Valley National Honor Society on April 23rd.
- The Envirothon Teams participated in the Monroe County High School Envirothon and the teams received 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th place.
- Pleasant Valley Concert and Jazz Bands held concerts on April 30th.
- The bands participated in the Music in the Parks competition at Hershey and both placed first in their respective categories earning a gold medallion superior rating. Concert and Jazz Band soloist awards were announced.
- The NHS Chapter held elections for officers for the 2025-2026 school year.
- The FBLA Chapter held elections.

In acknowledgement of Ms. Giunta's last Board meeting, a plaque in appreciation was presented recognizing her participation at School Board meetings during the 2024-2025 school year.

Superintendent's Response to Community Questions – Dr. Konrad responded to one community question submitted by Ms. Janet Dooner of Polk Township regarding how much time is utilized by teachers for the monitoring of Securly Pass. He stated that Securly Pass is a digital sign-in and sign-out process that can be reviewed by administration to address issues

in the middle school and high school creating a safer environment. There is no physical pass that students carry and it only takes teachers a few seconds to use the system when a student is leaving class.

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

Mr. Burger motioned, seconded by Mr. O’Keefe to approve the minutes of the Board of Education Meeting held on April 24, 2025; approval of the Board Meeting Agenda of May 8, 2025.

VOICE VOTE: 7-0 CARRIED

Vice President Matthew Walters 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):

Ms. Denise Hopely, Chestnuthill Township, wished the Debate Team good luck at Nationals. She commented on the IU Newsletter; and costs of NWEA.

Mr. Matt Gould, Chestnuthill Township, expressed concern about the AR for Policy 201-1 Early Admissions for Students requesting the Board reconsider.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Mrs. Diane Serfass

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

Approval of Agenda item #4.B. – Manual Checks April 1, 2025 through April 30, 2025.

Approval of Agenda item #4.C. – Accounts Payable May 8, 2025.

Mr. Gesiskie questioned the renovation relating to piping. Discussion was held. Mr. Smale and Mr. Burger commented about the rationale in order to prevent future damage.

VOICE VOTE: 7-0 CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Solicitor: Mark Fitzgerald, Esq. – No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Monroe Career & Technical Institute – Mrs. Diane Serfass: An informational report was provided. Mrs. Serfass reported on the progress of the construction project and stated that it is on track for an anticipated completion date by early June.

B. Colonial IU20 – An informational report was provided.

C. PSBA Legislative Liaison Report – Mrs. Melanie Zipp: Informational reports were provided including the PSBA Update, School Mandate Report, and the State of Education Report.

D. Education Committee – No report.

E. Finance Committee – Mrs. Diane Serfass: Mrs. Serfass stated that these items will be covered later on in the Agenda.

F. Athletic Committee – Mr. Ryan O’Keefe: An informational report was provided including PV athletic team competitions:

- Boys and Girls Track & Field athletes competed in the EPC Championships on May 7th and May 8th. Congratulations to the Boys 3200 Relay team for securing fourth place, and congratulations to Demetrius Outten for achieving second place in the 300 Hurdles with a personal best and school record of 39.77 seconds.
- Girls Lacrosse team currently battling Nazareth in the EPC Quarterfinals at Northampton High School. Announcement of EPC All-Star selections: 1st team and MVP – Rylee Rath; 1st team – Devon Bush, Olivia Iandoli and Alivia Rath; 2nd team – Briana Palmieri.

Mr. O’Keefe wished athletes best of luck in postseason competition. He reminded all of St. Luke’s sports physicals to be held May 19th from 5:00-8:00 PM I the new high school gym. Cheerleading tryouts (HS & MS) to be held May 27th-29th from 5:00-7:00 PM at the high school.

G. Policy Committee – Mrs. Melanie Zipp: Mrs. Zipp stated that there are three policies on the Agenda for a first reading.

H. Capital Improvement Plan Report – Mr. Norm Burger: Mr. Burger stated that the next meeting is scheduled for May 22, 2025.

I. Technology Report – Mr. Robert Clark: An informational report was provided.

J. Security Report – Mr. Matthew Walters: Mr. Walters stated that on April 15th and 16th students in grades 5 through 12 conducted their annual Safe to Say training through the Sandy Hook Promise Foundation which is a youth violence prevention program. In addition, he addressed additional security camera installation which is on the agenda for approval this evening.

K. Citizens Advisory Committee – Mr. John Gesiskie and Mrs. Susan Kresge:
Mr. Gesiskie gave an overview of the first meeting which was held on May 7th. He said that the topic was the use of technology in the classroom and there was good discussions and questions answered by Ms. Fierro, Mr. Ayre, and Mr. Van Voorhis. Mr. Gesiskie outlined key points to be shared with the Board which included technology to be more balanced with students involved with more hands-on activities; students to perform small group work without technology being used so as to facilitate more social interaction; and homework not to be a continuation of more technology. He said that the next meeting is scheduled for June 4th from 6:30-7:30 PM and the topic will be “relating real life skills/experiences in the classroom.” Assistant Principal Amber Chiafulio demonstrated a poster completed by the AP Social Studies class where a number of concepts were integrated through the picture.

SUPERINTENDENT-REPORT/REQUESTS – Dr. James Konrad:

Agenda item #7.A. – Informational: Policies for a First Reading, and Administrative Regulation 201-1, as provided:

First Reading

These policies are updated and will replace Policies 103, 103.1 and 104 before August 1, 2024 and 103.3 which combined all three after August 1, 2024.

1. Policy 103 Discrimination/Harassment Affecting Students
2. Policy 103.1 Nondiscrimination - Qualified Students With Disabilities
3. Policy 104 Discrimination/Harassment Affecting Staff

Administrative Regulation

Retiring Administrative Regulation 201-1 Early Admission of Students - To follow suit with school districts in the intermediate unit and after conferring with PVE Principal Roger Pomposello and Assistant Principal Sarah Adams, we are going to keep the PA state age for Kindergarten Registration of five (5) years old on or before September 1st with no exceptions.

Dr. Konrad clarified that the Administrative Regulation is not a policy but rather a procedure in which we are going to operate and honor what is written within such policy. Dr. Konrad opened up discussion on the first reading policies and the Administrative Regulation relating to Policy 201-1. Mr. Burger stated that with regard to the Administrative Regulation, he would suggest that data be presented to the Board at some point in order to have a complete understanding. He commented that early admission has been helpful for a number of individuals and suggests the Board consider ways to accommodate them and allow them to progress. Mr. Walters expressed his thoughts including that early admission be looked at on a case by case basis. Dr. Konrad commented about the selection of a cut-off date and explained the process for making decisions in the best interest of the students educationally. Ms. Sarah Adams provided data and perspective on early admission for students and decisions made for student readiness both academically and socially. Lengthy discussion was held and several Board members expressed their thoughts. Vice President Walters stated that additional data will be provided on this issue. Any changes made would not impact the upcoming 2025-2026 school year and that a future discussion will be had.

HUMAN RESOURCES: Mrs. Lori Fulmer

Mr. Gesiskie motioned, seconded by Mrs. Zipp to approve Agenda item #8.A. – Personnel Items:

Approval of Agenda item #8.B. – Hiring of Support Staff:

1.	Name:	Karl Cabral
	Position:	Custodian (M-TH 3:30 PM – 12:00 AM; Sat. 6:30 AM – 2:30 PM)
	Building:	PVES
	Salary:	19.21 per hour
	Effective Date:	TBD
	Replace:	Nannette Gower

Approval of Agenda item #8.C. Change of Assignment:

1.	Name:	Brian Silliman
	Current Position:	Assistant Police Chief (12 months)

	New Position	Sergeant (10 months)
	Salary:	\$31.40 per hour
	Effective Date:	July 1, 2025
2.	Name:	Jill Goffredo
	Current Position:	Kindergarten Teacher
	New Position	Reading Specialist
	Building:	PVES
	Effective Date:	August 20, 2025
	Replace:	Nancy Harkins
3.	Name:	April Rice
	Current Position:	Grade 2
	Current Building:	PVES
	New Position:	Grade 4
	New Building:	PVIS
	Effective Date:	August 20, 2025
	Replace:	new position
4.	Name:	Chelsea Markes
	Current Position:	Learning Support
	New Position:	Life Skills
	Building:	PVIS
	Effective Date:	August 20, 2025
	Replace:	Eileen Decker
3.	Name:	Jennifer Mulder
	Current Position:	Family/Consumer Science
	Current Building:	PVMS
	New Position:	Grade 3
	New Building:	PVI
	Effective Date:	August 20, 2025
	Replace:	Donna Cimino
2.	Name:	India Johnson
	Position:	Paraprofessional Associate
	Current Building:	PVES
	New Building:	PVMS
	Effective Date:	August 20, 2025
	Replace:	Mariclaire Hosking

Approval of Agenda item #8.D. – Supplemental Contracts: Athletic (2025-2026 school year):

1.	Name:	Isaac Blagogee
	Sport:	Boys Soccer
	Position:	Head Coach
	Level:	3
	Salary:	\$6,506.00
2.	Name:	Jillian Janotti
	Sport:	Cheerleading
	Position:	Head Coach (Fall/Winter)
	Level:	2
	Salary:	\$7,006.00
3.	Name:	Blaec Saeger
	Sport:	Football
	Position:	Head Coach
	Level:	4
	Salary:	\$8,641.00
4.	Name:	Drew Dymond
	Sport:	Girls Volleyball
	Position:	Head Coach
	Level:	4
	Salary:	\$6,604.00
5.	Name:	Laura Ammermann

	Sport:	Girls Tennis
	Position:	Head Coach
	Level:	3
	Salary:	\$5,066.00
6.	Name:	Steven Krechel
	Sport:	Golf
	Position:	Head Coach
	Level:	off chart
	Salary:	\$5,670.00
7.	Name:	Angelica Zimmerman
	Sport:	Girls Basketball
	Position:	Head Coach
	Level:	4
	Salary:	\$7,313.00
8.	Name:	James Weiss
	Sport:	Wrestling
	Position:	Head Coach
	Level:	3
	Salary:	\$7,035.00
9.	Name:	Mark Allison
	Sport:	Boys Tennis
	Position:	Head Coach
	Level:	off chart
	Salary:	\$5,670.00
10.	Name:	Michelle Albanese
	Sport:	Softball
	Position:	Head Coach
	Level:	3
	Salary:	\$6,506.00
11.	Name:	Corin Oweremohle
	Sport:	Field Hockey
	Position:	Head Coach
	Level:	4
	Salary:	\$6,604.00
12.	Name:	Alison Rundle
	Sport:	Cross Country
	Position:	Head Coach
	Level:	3
	Salary:	\$5,066.00
13.	Name:	Joseph Anderton
	Sport:	Baseball
	Position:	Head Coach
	Level:	3
	Salary:	\$6,506.00
14.	Name:	John Smith
	Sport:	Boys Lacrosse
	Position:	Head Coach
	Level:	3
	Salary:	\$6,506.00
15.	Name:	James DeVivo
	Position:	Marching Band Director
	Level:	off chart
	Salary:	\$7,295.80
16.	Name:	Tara Hyland
	Sport:	Girls Soccer
	Position:	Head Coach

Level:	4
Salary:	\$6,604.00

Approval of Agenda item #8.E. – Supplemental Contracts: Athletic Non-Coaching (2025-2026 school year):

1.	Name:	Timothy Hinton
	Position:	HS Athletic Coordinator
	Salary:	\$5,540.00
2.	Name:	Nadia Gauronsky
	Position:	MS Athletic Coordinator
	Salary:	\$5,540.00

Approval of Agenda item #8.F. – Supplemental Contracts: Non-Athletic (2025-2026 school year):

1.	Club/Activity:	Speech & Debate Club (Fall)
	Advisor:	Anthony Chupa
	Building:	PVHS
	Salary:	\$2,450.00
2.	Club/Activity:	Speech & Debate Club (Winter)
	Advisor:	Anthony Chupa
	Building:	PVHS
	Salary:	\$2,450.00
3.	Club/Activity:	Chess Team
	Advisor:	Jamile Ferrara
	Building:	PVHS
	Salary:	\$2,450.00
3.	Club/Activity:	Scholastic Scrimmage
	Advisor:	Michelle Piontkowski
	Building:	PVHS
	Salary:	\$2,450.00

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

1.	Name:	Dana Varone
	Position:	Monitor
	Building:	PVES
	Number of Days:	Three (3)
	Dates:	April 7, 2025 - April 9, 2025
2.	Name:	Taylor Lenahan
	Position:	Paraprofessional Associate
	Building:	PVES
	Number of Days:	One (1)
	Dates:	April 25 2025

Mr. Gesiskie acknowledged Chief Miller and wished him well on his retirement. Dr. Konrad also acknowledged Chief Miller and thanked him for keeping our schools safe.

VOICE VOTE: 7-0 CARRIED

Agenda item #8.H. – Informational: Family & Medical Leave:

1.	Employee ID:	3594
	Position:	Teacher
	Building:	PVIS
	Number of Days:	Ten (10)
	Dates:	May 21 2025 – June 4, 2025
2.	Employee ID:	3668
	Position:	Health Room Technician
	Building:	PVHS
	Intermittent Days:	April 22, 2025 – April 21, 2026

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

1.	Name:	Maria Pastrick
	Position:	Paraprofessional Associate

	Building:	PVHS
	Effective Date:	May 9, 2025

Agenda item #8.J. – Informational: Retirement:

1.	Name:	Donna Cimino
	Position:	Teacher
	Building:	PVIS
	Effective Date:	June 30, 2025
2.	Name:	Robert Miller, Jr.
	Position:	Police Chief
	Effective Date:	End of the 2024-2025 school year
3.	Name:	Lisa Dixon
	Position:	Paraprofessional Associate
	Building:	PVMS
	Effective Date:	End of the 2024-2025 school year

Agenda item #8.K. – Informational: Volunteers:

- Keith Benarz
- Rachel Green
- Heather Shuster
- Samantha Schorr
- Jennifer Sebastianelli
- Briona Sciarillo
- Natalia Cruz

ADDENDUM – HUMAN RESOURCES: Mrs. Lori Fulmer

Mr. Gesiskie motioned, seconded by Mrs. Zipp to approve Addendum item #9.A. – Personnel Addendum Items:

Approval of Addendum item #9.B. – Hiring of Support Staff:

1.	Name:	Jessica Khouri
	Position:	Monitor (1:30 PM – 5:15 PM)
	Building:	PVMS
	Salary:	\$11.81 per hour
	Effective Date:	TBD
	Replace:	Joanne Massa

Approval of Addendum item #9.C. – Change of Assignment:

1.	Name:	Monica Ohland
	Current Position:	English
	New Position:	Social Studies
	Building:	PVMS
	Effective Date:	August 20, 2025
	Replace:	Paul McCrone
2.	Name:	Christopher Chandler
	Current Position:	Grade 6
	New Position:	Dean of Students
	Building:	PVMS
	Effective Date:	August 20, 2025
	Replace:	Richard Rimple

Approval of Addendum item #9.D. – Sabbatical Leave:

1.	Employee ID:	1169
	Type:	Study
	Position:	Teacher
	Building:	PVMS
	Semester(s):	1 st Semester of the 2025 – 2026 school year
	Name:	Payton Gregory
	Building:	PVHS
	Salary:	\$27.00 per hour

VOICE VOTE: 7-0 CARRIED

CURRICULUM & STAFF DEVELOPMENT: Dr. Rae Lin Howard

Mr. Burger motioned, seconded by Mr. Gesiskie to approve Agenda item #10. – Curriculum & Staff Development items and Addendum item #11. – Curriculum & Staff Development Addendum items:

Approval of Agenda item #10.A. – Textbook Adoption for AP Pre-Calculus. Adoption of Precalculus: Graphical, Numerical, Algebraic AP Edition textbooks with etext (Standard Bundle), 6-year access to Digital Delivery, test prep workbooks and teacher edition at a cost of \$13,837.86 to be paid from Ready to Learn Grant funds, for use beginning with the 2025-2026 school year.

Approval of Addendum item #11.A. – American Studies Digital Textbook Adoption. Adoption of The American Yawp Vol 2 Since 1877, 8th Edition, digital textbook for use in American Studies classes, beginning with the 2025-26 school year. This is a free online resource.

VOICE VOTE: 7-0 CARRIED

OPERATIONS: Mr. Randy Smale

Mrs. Zipp motioned, seconded by Mr. O’Keefe to approve Agenda item #12. – Operations Items:

Approval of Agenda item #12.A. – Facility Usage Request, pending resolution and notification of any conflicting scheduling as recommended by the Director of Operations:

A.	Organization	PVE Sunshine Club
	Schedule ID Number	14893
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley Middle School Old Gym
	Purpose	Wizards Basketball Game Fundraiser
	Dates/Times	March 5, 2026 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
	Requestor	Samantha Marrero
	Attendance	500
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 3, All Appropriate Fees Apply
B.	Organization	PVI PTO
	Schedule ID Number	14896
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley High School Stadium, Track and Field
	Purpose	PV Bear Walk
	Dates/Times	September 20, 2025 12:00 PM – 3:00 PM
	Requestor	Marianne Livingston
	Attendance	500
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 3, All Appropriate Fees Apply
C.	Organization	PV Cubs Football
	Schedule ID Number	14901
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley High School Stadium, Track and Field
	Purpose	PV Cubs Games
	Dates/Times	September 14, 2025, September 21, 2025, October 12, 2025, October 19, 2025 and October 26, 2025 10:00 AM – 4:30 PM
	Requestor	Rebecca Tippet
	Attendance	350
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 3, All Appropriate Fees Apply
D.	Organization	Pleasant Valley Track & Field
	Schedule ID Number	14911
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley High School Cafeteria
	Purpose	Track & Field End of Season Party
	Dates/Times	May 21, 2025 4:00 PM – 6:30 PM
	Requestor	Anne Morton
	Attendance	125
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 3, All Appropriate Fees Apply
E.	Organization	PVYA
	Schedule ID Number	14916
	Facility Requested	Pleasant Valley Intermediate School Lower Athletic Field
	Purpose	Summer Youth Boys Lacrosse
	Dates/Times	July 11, 2025, July 28, 2025 and July 25, 2025

		5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
	Requestor	Rachael Duran
	Attendance	20
	Tuition	None
	Fee by District	Class 3, All Appropriate Fees Apply

Mr. Gesiskie expressed concern about possible interference of these requests due to the renovation. Brief discussion was held.

VOICE VOTE: 7-0 CARRIED

BUSINESS MANAGEMENT: Mrs. Tammy Smale

Mr. Burger motioned, seconded by Mr. Gesiskie to approve Agenda item #13.A. – Business Management Items:

Approval of Agenda item #13.B. – Cafeteria Fund Account Summary, as provided.

Approval of Agenda item #13.C. – The following contracts, as provided:

1. Mobile Ag Ed Science Lab. Cost: \$6,000.00. The lab will provide workshops from September 22-26, 2025 and September 29 – October 3, 2025 at Pleasant Valley Intermediate School to be paid from Title I.
2. Big Teams - Fan Central and Schedule Star - Terms: 7/1/2025 – 6/30/2026 — Cost: \$2,250.00
3. NextUp - NextUp Transition Curriculum. - Terms: 09/01/2025 - 08/31/2026. Total Cost: \$3,000.00
4. Securly - Hall Pass Terms: 7/1/2025 - 6/30/2026 Total Cost: \$7,824.00
5. All-American Publishing - Sport Poster Agreement with 15% Rebate from sponsors Terms: Fall Sport Season 2025 - Spring Sport Season 2026. No cost to district.
6. Johnson Controls - Change to Coverage from Essentials to Enhanced Labor Only - Terms 7/1/2025 - end of current contracts.
7. NWEA - Onsite Teacher Training Sessions - Total Cost: \$8,400.00 to be paid from Ready to Learn
8. IntegraOne – Cisco DNA Essentials Infrastructure Licenses. Terms: 5/7/2025-6/30/2026 – Total Cost: \$6,344.98
9. Red Cross Shelter Updated Agreement. Pleasant Valley School District to be used as shelters and other service delivery sites for disaster victims. Red Cross can use the facility to provide services during a disaster.

Approval of Agenda item #13.D. – Award PVE Carpet Replacement Bid, as provided: To Spectrum Flooring for PVE Carpet Replacement Total Cost \$35,980.03. Project to be paid from Capital Reserve Funds.

Approval of Agenda item #13.E. – Payment from Bond Fund, as provided.

Approval of Agenda item #13.F. – Advertisement for Sealed Bids for the following items:

1. Winter Athletic Supplies and Equipment 2025-2026
2. Spring Athletic Supplies and Equipment 2025-2026

Approval of Agenda item #13.G. – Payment from Capital Reserve, as provided.

Mr. Gesiskie commented and asked several questions regarding the contracts listed including Mobile AG Ed Science Lab, Securly Hall Pass, All American Publishing-Sport Poster Agreement, and NWEA-Onsite Teacher Training, and the Red Cross Agreement. Lengthy discussion was held and questions were answered and/or clarified. Mr. Burger raised the issue of federal funding which Mrs. Smale addressed. Mr. Fitzgerald clarified the issue further.

VOICE VOTE: 7-0 CARRIED

ADDENDUM – BUSINESS MANAGEMENT: Mrs. Tammy Smale

Mr. Burger motioned, seconded by Mrs. Serfass to approve Agenda item #14.A. – Business Management Addendum Items:

Approval of Addendum item #14. B. – The following contracts as provided:

1. Clinton Learning - LU+ Subscription for PVE Interactive System. Terms: 05/07/2025 - 05/06/2026. Cost: \$1,900.00
2. SportsCare - Turf Maintenance Contract Terms: 07/01/2025 - 06/30/2026 Cost: \$5,000.00 per year
3. Titan Mobile Shredding - Terms: 7/1/2025 - 6/30/2026 - Monthly Cost: \$488.25
4. Johnson Controls - Additional Security Camera installation. Cost: \$9,277.07 to be paid by PCCD Meritorious Grant.

Approval of Addendum item #14.C. – Purchase of Additional Teacher Furniture for Middle School from Premier Environments, as provided. Total Cost: \$37,566.38 to be paid from Capital Reserve.

Approval of Addendum item #14.D. – Student Placement: Student 24-25-N-27 – Northampton County Juvenile Detention & Treatment Center.

Mr. Gesiskie questioned contracts 1, 2, and 4 listed above. Discussion was held on the issues raised. He also commented on the purchase of additional teacher furniture which was addressed with brief discussion and clarification by Dr. Howard.

VOICE VOTE: 7-0 CARRIED

SOLICITOR: Mark Fitzgerald, Esq. – Mr. Fitzgerald stated that negotiations are ongoing and will continue with a desire to reach a successful contract.

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

Ms. Alex Gibb, Chestnuthill Township, expressed her opinion regarding early admission dates for students. She congratulated all in honor of Teacher Appreciation Week.

Ms. Janet Dooner, Polk Township, expressed her opinion regarding Policy #103.

PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DIRECTORS:

Mrs. Serfass informed all that the MCTI Senior Awards event will be held on May 28th at the Pleasant Valley Stadium at 6:00 PM with a rain date of May 29th at 6:00 PM.

Mr. Gesiskie expressed appreciation to all staff. He commended all involved with the Academic Fair, the band concerts, the Bear Facts, and the PVI concert. He questioned the Gemini licenses which Mr. Van Voorhis addressed. In addition, lengthy discussion was held on questions and comments by Mr. Gesiskie concerning the Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Burger addressed the pursuit of some other alternatives other than brick and mortar. He suggests it would be beneficial to have information on our website as a reference for parents as well as possibly a presentation this summer to help guide parents and their students to perhaps look at our Cyber Academy as an alternative.

SUPERINTENDENT REMARKS:

Dr. Konrad congratulated the Pleasant Valley FBLA National qualifiers. He announced the students who qualified for Nationals in Anaheim, California at the end of June. Dr. Konrad thanked Mr. Van Voorhis and Ms. Leibenguth for attending the PA Families for Education Choice at Signature Event Center on April 12th. He thanked all staff and acknowledged the many great things happening in the month of May in all buildings. Dr. Konrad also announced that a tab is now on our website with updates on the high school renovation.

Dr. Howard announced that \$15,000 was raised by the MiniThon event. Dr. Konrad stated that the senior class so far has earned 4.2 million dollars in scholarships.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mrs. Zipp motioned, seconded by Mr. Gesiskie to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 PM.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Smale, Board Secretary

Debra L. Duff, Board Recorder

Next Regularly Scheduled Board of Education meeting:
May 22, 2025 at 7:00 PM