



PLEASANT VALLEY

SCHOOL DISTRICT #62

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January 18, 2022

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Regular Meeting

The regular meeting minutes of December 14, 2021 approved at the regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting on January 18, 2022.

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Regular Meeting
Tuesday, December 14, 2021 6:00 PM

Intermediate Music Room
3314 W. Richwoods Blvd.
Peoria, IL 61604

Mary Gray: Absent
Gia Jones: Present
Adam Larck: Present
Alan Paredes: Present
Cliff Quine: Present
Robert Ramoska: Present
Gennett Smith: Absent

Present: 5, Absent: 2.

Others in Attendance: Mrs. Tracy Forck Ms. Kelly Galyean Mr. Jacob Wall Miss Rebecca Trecek Mrs. Colleen Ryan Mrs. Amanda Wiest Miss Ashley Henegar Mrs. Rachel Adkins

I. Call to Order

II. Communications and Visitors

Mrs. Ryan was present and she shared in regards to the donation made to our school district by Simantel through their Adopt a Family program. Last year, Simantel was able to raise \$6,500.00 for our district and gave us 6500 \$100 gift cards to families in need. This year, Simantel was able to raise \$10,600.00 for our district to deliver 53 gift cards in the amount of \$250.00 each.

Mrs. Ryan shared that the community churches are still involved in making snack packs for our students for our normal weekends as well as longer holiday weekends. She shared also the Church Women Unite group is picking a school in need and they have chosen our school district to gift once again. They gather wish lists from our teachers, then they gift teachers in the spring.

II.A. A huge thank you to Simantel for their generous and continued support of Pleasant Valley Families

II.B. A huge thank you to Bartonville Baptist and Universal Unitarians for supporting our Pleasant Valley families at Christmas.

II.C. A huge thank you to Church Women Unite for their donations to our Pleasant Valley teachers.

III. Approve Regular and Executive Minutes

Moved to approve the minutes as corrected. This motion, made by Robert Ramoska and seconded by Cliff Quine, Passed.

Mary Gray: Absent, Gennett Smith: Absent, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Alan Paredes: Yea, Cliff Quine: Yea, Robert Ramoska: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

IV. Financial Statement and Approval of Bills

Moved to approve the financial statements and payment of bills. This motion, made by Cliff Quine and seconded by Alan Paredes, Passed.

Mary Gray: Absent, Gennett Smith: Absent, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Alan Paredes: Yea, Cliff Quine: Yea, Robert Ramoska: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

V. Business

V.A. Approve leasing agreement with Digital Copiers

Moved to approve the leasing agreement with Digital Copy Systems. This motion, made by Robert Ramoska and seconded by Gia Jones, Passed.

Mary Gray: Absent, Gennett Smith: Absent, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Alan Paredes: Yea, Cliff Quine: Yea, Robert Ramoska: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

V.B. Adopt Tax Levy

Moved to approve the recommendation to adopt the tax levy as presented. This motion, made by Cliff Quine and seconded by Robert Ramoska, Passed.

Mary Gray: Absent, Gennett Smith: Absent, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Alan Paredes: Yea, Cliff Quine: Yea, Robert Ramoska: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

V.C. Approve all Executive session minutes remain as closed session minutes including those in the last 6 months.

Moved to approve the motion that all executive session minutes remain as closed. This motion, made by Cliff Quine and seconded by Robert Ramoska, Passed.

Mary Gray: Absent, Gennett Smith: Absent, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Alan Paredes: Yea, Cliff Quine: Yea, Robert Ramoska: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

V.D. Approve SEAPCO hiring survey

Moved to approve the SEAPCO Hiring Survey. This motion, made by Cliff Quine and seconded by Robert Ramoska, Passed.

Mary Gray: Absent, Gennett Smith: Absent, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Alan Paredes: Yea, Cliff Quine: Yea, Robert Ramoska: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

VI. Information

VI.A. Update on Primary building construction and HVAC

Due to the increased cost in all areas from materials to services, Keach provided an updated cost estimate for the Primary Building addition and HVAC replacement.

The total out of local funds for both the Intermediate and Primary work after ESSER III (\$2,277,393) is \$1,853,384

VI.B. Enrollment

VI.C. Life Health Safety Visit

VI.D. Resignation of Tonia Poulsen , cook at Primary School

VII. Reports

VII.A. Teacher Reports

Mrs. Rachel Adkins and Mrs. Amanda Wiest reviewed the 3rd grade Amplify science curriculum on Inheritance & Traits.

VII.B. Principal(s)

Ms. Galyean's Report:

- The Primary School Winter concert is Thursday, December 15 @ 2:00 pm with doors opening at 1:30 pm.
- Friday is our PBIS celebration and holiday parties.
- Again, I want to thank the staff for all they have done throughout this year. Everyone has had to wear many hats and help when needed.
- Wishing all our PV Staff, Tracy, Jake and the Board a very Merry Christmas and a safe holiday.

Mr. Wall's Report:

- Our band and choir students did a great job at their concert last night. Very pleased with the attendance.
- We will have our PBIS movie and classroom parties on Thursday. I am sure our students will enjoy watching the 2014 version of Annie.
- Faculty / Staff Spotlight: Jennifer Morgan (School Nurse). She has done a great job navigating calendars, phone numbers and paperwork dealing with the Covid-19 cases and close contacts. I enjoy having her in the office.

VII.C. Superintendent

Mrs. Forck's Report:

- Mrs. Forck shared, we are going to be utilizing our food truck for the holiday program this Thursday. We will be handing out free hot chocolate and cookies to everyone attending the concerts.

VII.D. Board of Education

- Mr. Ramoska shared the Triple I Conference, it was pretty packed in with the sessions and some were standing room only. He highlighted *Every Voice Matters* and how to engage our community more. This was presented by Octavia School District. They shared good information on ways to engage not only staff and the board but also with students.
- Mr. Ramoska shared that almost 1/2 of the board members sitting in this session were new.
- He highlighted *You Can't Make This Stuff Up* - a 2021 legal review in the 2nd session. It highlighted mandates and the impact on teachers. It also covered what can be handled on campus and off campus, as well as potential mandates and benefits that could be coming in the future.
- Mr. Ramoska praised the winter concert for a job well done. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Holiday and to enjoy the next 2 weeks off.

Adam Larck's report:

- Mr. Larck shared he enjoyed the winter concert.
- Mr. Larck shared the key thing he came away with from the Triple I Conference was the session on mental health. He attended a president round table and shared it was interesting to hear from presidents that have been around for thirty years to brand new presidents.
- He voiced it was great to work for a district that works with each other and not against each other.
- Mr. Larck wished everyone a great 2 weeks off for winter break.

Gia Jone's report:

- Mrs. Jones shared she sat in on a session about unconscious biases. How we process things mentally and how shortcuts can sometimes work against us due to our internal unconscious bias. She shared how to learn to be careful of stereotyping. She shared the importance of looking at life through your student's eyes when teaching and looking for avenues to avoid unconscious bias.
- She also shared the general sessions were packed.
- Mrs. Jones thanked the school district for allowing her to attend.

Cliff Quine's report:

- Mr. Quine shared the 7th and 8th grade boys basketball team has been invited to attend the Limestone Community High school game this Friday vs. Canton. He shared that they are being given the opportunity to sit behind the players' bench during the game as well as join the high school basketball team in the locker room for their pre-game talk.

VIII. Adjourn to Executive Session

Moved to adjourn to executive session at 6:45 PM. This motion, made by Robert Ramoska and seconded by Gia Jones, Passed.

Mary Gray: Absent, Gennett Smith: Absent, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Alan Paredes: Yea, Cliff Quine: Yea, Robert Ramoska: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

IX. Action from Executive Session

moved to hire Carl Connor as a full time second shift custodian. This motion, made by Robert Ramoska and seconded by Cliff Quine, Passed.

Mary Gray: Absent, Gennett Smith: Absent, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Alan Paredes: Yea, Cliff Quine: Yea, Robert Ramoska: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

moved to hire Shawn Craig as a part time second shift custodian. This motion, made by Alan Paredes and seconded by Robert Ramoska, Passed.

Mary Gray: Absent, Gennett Smith: Absent, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Alan Paredes: Yea, Cliff Quine: Yea, Robert Ramoska: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

moved to hire Danara Tran as a recess supervisor. This motion, made by Robert Ramoska and seconded by Alan Paredes, Passed.

Mary Gray: Absent, Gennett Smith: Absent, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Alan Paredes: Yea, Cliff Quine: Yea, Robert Ramoska: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

moved to release Jake Wall from his principal contract effective December 17, 2021. This motion, made by Robert Ramoska and seconded by Alan Paredes, Passed.

Mary Gray: Absent, Gennett Smith: Absent, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Alan Paredes: Yea, Cliff Quine: Yea, Robert Ramoska: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

moved to hire Ashley Henegar as the interim principal for the remainder of the 2021-22 school year. This motion, made by Gia Jones and seconded by Robert Ramoska, Passed.

Mary Gray: Absent, Gennett Smith: Absent, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Alan Paredes: Yea, Cliff Quine: Yea, Robert Ramoska: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

X. Adjournment

moved to adjourn at 7:45 pm. This motion, made by Robert Ramoska and seconded by Cliff Quine, Passed.

Mary Gray: Absent, Gennett Smith: Absent, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Alan Paredes: Yea, Cliff Quine: Yea, Robert Ramoska: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2