PLEASANT VALLEY
SCHOOL DISTRICT #62

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April 21, 2026

PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT #62
Regular Meeting Minutes

The regular meeting minutes of March 24, 2026 were approved at the regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting on April 21, 2026

Tracy Forck

Tracy Forck, Secretary
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Suzanne Johnstone

Suzanne Johnstone, Vice President
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Regular Meeting
Tuesday, March 24, 2026 6:00 PM

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

Briana Allen:	Present
Isaac Downing:	Present
Suzanne Johnstone:	Present
Gia Jones:	Present
Adam Larck:	Present
Rachel Lukehart:	Present
Liz Tiethoff:	Present

Present: 7.

- Suzanne Johnstone Arrived at 6:03 pm
- Rachel Lukehart Arrived at 6:18 pm

Other in Attendance:

- Tracy Forck
- Kelly Galyean
- Rebecca Trecek
- Alyssa Waters
- Eve Harlan
- Anna Barkley

I. Call to Order

II. Communications and Visitors

II.A. Recognition of Adam Larck 40 under 40

III. Approve Regular and Executive Minutes
Moved to approve the regular and executive meeting minutes of February 24, 2026. This motion, made by Isaac Downing and seconded by Liz Tiethoff, Passed.
Briana Allen: Yea, Isaac Downing: Yea, Suzanne Johnstone: Yea, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Rachel Lukehart: Yea, Liz Tiethoff: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

IV. Financial Statement and Approval of Bills
Moved to approve the financial statements, payment of bills, and payroll for February 2026. This motion, made by Isaac Downing and seconded by Liz Tiethoff, Passed.
Briana Allen: Yea, Isaac Downing: Yea, Suzanne Johnstone: Yea, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Rachel Lukehart: Yea, Liz Tiethoff: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

V. Business

V.A. *Approve the Resolution declaring the intention to issue $3,000,000 Working Cash Fund Bonds for the purpose of increasing the District's Working Cash Fund, and directing that notice of such intention be published in the manner provided by law.*
Moved to approve the resolution declaring to issue $3,000,000.00 Working Cash Fund Bonds for the purpose of increasing the District's Working Cash Fund, and directing that notice of such intention be published in the manner provided by law. This motion, made by Suzanne Johnstone and seconded by Isaac Downing, Passed.
Briana Allen: Yea, Isaac Downing: Yea, Suzanne Johnstone: Yea, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Rachel Lukehart: Yea, Liz Tiethoff: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

V.B. Approve the Resolution authorizing Remote Participation in Board Meetings by Board Members
Moved to approve the resolution authorizing remote participation in Board meetings by Board members. This motion, made by Liz Tiethoff and seconded by Suzanne Johnstone, Passed.
Briana Allen: Yea, Isaac Downing: Yea, Suzanne Johnstone: Yea, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Rachel Lukehart: Yea, Liz Tiethoff: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

V.C. Approve recommendation to permanently transfer $74,088 from the Working Cash fund to the Transportation fund.
Moved to approve the recommendation to permanently transfer $74,088.00 from the Working Cash MMA Fund to the Transportation MMA Fund. This motion, made by Suzanne Johnstone and seconded by Isaac Downing, Passed.
Briana Allen: Yea, Isaac Downing: Yea, Suzanne Johnstone: Yea, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Rachel Lukehart: Yea, Liz Tiethoff: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

V.D. Approve recommendation to accept the retirement letter and request for the Retirement Incentive Plan from Angie Robertson
Moved to approve the recommendation to accept the retirement letter and request for the Retirement Incentive Plan for Angie Robertson. This motion, made by Suzanne Johnstone and seconded by Isaac Downing, Passed.
Briana Allen: Yea, Isaac Downing: Yea, Suzanne Johnstone: Yea, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Rachel Lukehart: Yea, Liz Tiethoff: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

V.E. Approve recommendation to accept the retirement letter and request for the Retirement Incentive Plan from Heather Hill.
Moved to approve the recommendation to accept the retirement letter and request for the Retirement Incentive Plan for Heather Hill. This motion, made by Suzanne Johnstone and seconded by Isaac Downing, Passed.
Briana Allen: Yea, Isaac Downing: Yea, Suzanne Johnstone: Yea, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Rachel Lukehart: Yea, Liz Tiethoff: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

V.F. Approve JP Seasonal's contract for lawn care for 2026
Moved to approve JP Seasonal's contract for lawn care for 2026. This motion, made by Gia Jones and seconded by Isaac Downing, Passed.

Briana Allen: Yea, Isaac Downing: Yea, Suzanne Johnstone: Yea, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Rachel Lukehart: Yea, Liz Tiethoff: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

V.G. Approve School and Families Compact for ESEA
Moved to approve the School And Families Compact for ESEA. This motion, made by Suzanne Johnstone and seconded by Liz Tiethoff, Passed.
Briana Allen: Yea, Isaac Downing: Yea, Suzanne Johnstone: Yea, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Rachel Lukehart: Yea, Liz Tiethoff: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

VI. Information

VI.A. Information on a Solar project at Pleasant Valley

VI.B. Nutrition Program Audit Findings

VI.C. Enrollment

VI.D. Resignation of Stacy Hall, Sped teacher; Randon Swearingian, Tier III; Cagni Orear, primary school dean; Hailey Strickler, Sped teacher, Olivia Johnson, Sped teacher

VII. Reports

VII.A. Principal(s)
Ms. Galyean's Report:

- Third-grade students completed IAR testing last week. They were highly motivated by the attendance and effort incentives. Students who achieved 100% attendance across all testing days will be rewarded with a movie and snack on Wednesday, March 25.
- A special thank you to Mrs. Mindy Barksdale for her dedication and hard work in preparing for and implementing the IAR Assessments.

VII.B. Superintendent

- A special thank you to Mr. Schauer and Mrs. White for creating the fun video for the Pi Day Ticket drawings. (video was shared with the board members)
- The track season is officially underway under the leadership of Ms. Michaels and Mr. Bobbitt, with approximately 30 students currently participating. The team is scheduled to compete in six meets this season.
- The annual Board/ Staff Dinner will be held at The Putt Club on May 1.
- The Fine Arts Fair will be held on April 22.
- A reminder was given that our musical this year, *The Lion King*, will be performed on May 14 and 15.

VII.C. Board of Education

- Board member, Gia Jones, shared that she enjoyed our Black History Month Celebration event, noting that students presented themselves with confidence and that the program was both engaging and highly informational.

- She also expressed appreciation for the presence of Illinois State Representative, Jehan Gordon-Booth.
- She commended everyone involved for a job well done.
- Mrs. Forck added recognition to be given to Mr. Blanks, Mr. Pickens, and Ms. Smith for their work toward putting on this event.
- Board President, Adam Larck, extended congratulations to the boys and girls basketball players for their participation in the All-Star team game.

VIII. Adjourn to Executive Session
Moved to adjourn into Executive session at 6:54 pm. This motion, made by Suzanne Johnstone and seconded by Rachel Lukehart, Passed.
Briana Allen: Yea, Isaac Downing: Yea, Suzanne Johnstone: Yea, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Rachel Lukehart: Yea, Liz Tiethoff: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

IX. Action from Executive Session
Moved to hire Anna Barkley as the Primary School Assistant Principal for the 2026-2027 school year. This motion, made by Rachel Lukehart and seconded by Suzanne Johnstone, Passed.
Briana Allen: Yea, Isaac Downing: Yea, Suzanne Johnstone: Yea, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Rachel Lukehart: Yea, Liz Tiethoff: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0
Moved to hire Rena De La Rosa as the sixth grade reading and social studies teacher for the 2026-2027 school year. This motion, made by Suzanne Johnstone and seconded by Rachel Lukehart, Passed.
Briana Allen: Yea, Isaac Downing: Yea, Suzanne Johnstone: Yea, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Rachel Lukehart: Yea, Liz Tiethoff: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0
Moved to renew Kelly Galyean's contract as principal for the 2026-2027 school year. This motion, made by Gia Jones and seconded by Suzanne Johnstone, Passed.
Briana Allen: Yea, Isaac Downing: Yea, Suzanne Johnstone: Yea, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Rachel Lukehart: Yea, Liz Tiethoff: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0
Moved to provide Tracy Forck a stipend for the additional responsibilities of acting principal of the Intermediate School and the District Superintednent for the 2026-2027 school year. This motion, made by Liz Tiethoff and seconded by Rachel Lukehart, Passed.
Briana Allen: Yea, Isaac Downing: Yea, Suzanne Johnstone: Yea, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Rachel Lukehart: Yea, Liz Tiethoff: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

X. Adjournment
Moved to adjourn at 7:36 pm. This motion, made by Suzanne Johnstone and seconded by Rachel Lukehart, Passed.
Briana Allen: Yea, Isaac Downing: Yea, Suzanne Johnstone: Yea, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Rachel Lukehart: Yea, Liz Tiethoff: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0