



PLEASANT VALLEY

SCHOOL DISTRICT #62

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December 17, 2024

**PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT #62
Regular Meeting Minutes - November 19, 2024**

The regular meeting minutes of November 19, 2024 were approved at the regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting on December 17, 2024.

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Regular Meeting
Tuesday, November 19, 2024 6:00 PM

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

Mary Gray: Absent
Suzanne Johnstone: Present
Gia Jones: Present
Adam Larck: Present
Rachel Lukehart: Present
Alan Paredes: Absent
Cliff Quine: Present

Present: 5, Absent: 2.
Others in Attendance:

- Tracy Forck
- Rebecca Trecek
- Melissa Strait
- Jeanette Wilcox
- Stacy Hall

I. Call to Order

II. Communications and Visitors

II.A. Hand out folders of information to board members attending the Triple I conference

III. Approve Regular and Executive Minutes

Moved to approve the regular and executive minutes of the October 15, 2024 meeting. This motion, made by Cliff Quine and seconded by Suzanne Johnstone, Passed.

Mary Gray: Absent, Alan Paredes: Absent, Suzanne Johnstone: Yea, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Rachel Lukehart: Yea, Cliff Quine: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

IV. Financial Statement and Approval of Bills

Moved to approve the financial statements, payment of bills, and October 2024 payroll. This motion, made by Cliff Quine and seconded by Suzanne Johnstone, Passed.

Mary Gray: Absent, Alan Paredes: Absent, Suzanne Johnstone: Yea, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Rachel Lukehart: Yea, Cliff Quine: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

V. Business

V.A. First Reading of policies: 2:105, 2:110, 2:120, 4:30, 4:60, 4:150, 4:170, 5:10, 5:20, 5:90, 5:120, 5:125, 5:230, 6:60, 6:135, 6:270, 7:10, 7:100, 7:180, 7:200, 8:10,

V.B. Review proposed tax levy, and approve a tax levy hearing and publication

Moved to approve a tax levy hearing at 5:45 PM on December 17, 2024 and publication of said hearing. This motion, made by Suzanne Johnstone and seconded by Rachel Lukehart, Passed.

Mary Gray: Absent, Alan Paredes: Absent, Suzanne Johnstone: Yea, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Rachel Lukehart: Yea, Cliff Quine: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

V.C. Approve contract with American Institute of Research for Needs Assessment (required by the State of Illinois)

Moved to approve the contract with American Institute of Research for Needs Assessment (required by the State of Illinois). This motion, made by Suzanne Johnstone and seconded by Rachel Lukehart, Passed.

Mary Gray: Absent, Alan Paredes: Absent, Suzanne Johnstone: Yea, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam Larck: Yea, Rachel Lukehart: Yea, Cliff Quine: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

VI. Information

VI.A. Enrollment

VI.B. Update on Illinois Report Card

VII. Reports

VII.A. Teacher

- Melissa Strait shared that she is part of the Reading Committee and the Winter Reading Buddies event will be taking place
- Stacy Hall shared that she is part of the Reading Committee at the Intermediate school and about helping out with our Spooky Hallways event
- Jeannette Wilcox is a part of the Fun Committee and shared the Winter Carnival will be taking place in approximately 2 weeks

VII.B. Principal(s)

Ms. Galyean's Report:

- We had an amazing turn-out for our Halloween parties and parade. We dressed 36 students in Halloween costumes! 22 parents came in to volunteer for classroom parties, and over 100 family members attended the parade!
- A special thank you to Mrs. Larson. She was at Target and purchased 20 new Halloween costumes which she donated to the primary school.
- Parent-Teacher Conferences that were held prior to fall break were a success. Teachers were able to make contact with 97% of our parents. Thank you to our wonderful kitchen staff for the evening meals.
- Tutoring started November 7 for students in K-3, and will continue up to winter break.
- The ELA Reading Committee is hosting the Limestone athletic players this year as part of our reading assembly on Wednesday, November 20. Students will go to different stations and hear about the different sports the athletes play. Athletes will read a book about their sport and take questions.

- Our primary school's STEAM Committee Family Night will be on November 20, from 5 to 7:00 PM. Activities include: making "pumpkin pie" for a snack, a turkey coding activity, making a turkey art project, building a Thanksgiving picture using shapes, an "it's not a turkey" craft, and a Thanksgiving sink or float activity. Limestone High School Robotics Team will be coming to perform demonstrations with their robot.
- Thursday, December 19 is the Primary School Christmas Concert at 1:30 pm, with doors opening at 1:10 pm. Miss Bialas will be sending home a save the date and will be sending out reminders.
- Thank you to all of our staff for their continued hard work and support this year. Wishing everyone a safe and Happy Thanksgiving.

Ms. Henegar's Report:

- The band will be performing the National Anthem at the start of the boys' basketball game on Tuesday, December 10. It will start at 4:30 pm with the band setting up at 4:20 pm. They did an AMAZING job at the girls' basketball game earlier this year.
- Spooky Hallways was a success! We had 257 (total) children and adults walk through the school and participate. We also had 14 school staff volunteers with some bringing their families to help. The fire department, Peoria County Sheriff's department, Alpha Park Library, Riverfront Museum, Peoria Public Library, OSF, Joe McGuire (caricature artist), and the Bradley girls volleyball all had tables to hand out information, draw portraits, and pass out candy.
- Our Pleasant Valley speech team did a great job at the speech competition in Williamsfield on November 1. Ms. Pantages shared that they all did very well.
- We had 4 girls from our basketball team featured in the Limestone Independent News in October. Ms. Michael picked some great student athletes!
- I am looking forward to the Triple I Conference this weekend! I always love to attend the Women in Leadership workshop and hear the keynote speakers.
- Everyone have a great Thanksgiving!

VII.C. Superintendent

- Mrs. Forck had a preliminary discussion with the Board members regarding remodeling at the primary building cafeteria area, to accommodate the need for additional meeting space to meet with our students.
- She shared that there is a maintenance grant that would allow for \$50,000.00 towards this project. The work at the primary building is estimated to fall under the \$100,000.00 range and this grant would offset that total cost.

VII.D. Board of Education

- Cliff Quine thanked the fellow board members for all their time as Board member appreciation day was November 15.
- Suzanne Johnstone inquired about the possible clean up of pine trees at the primary building as some elderly neighbors had inquired about their removal.

VIII. Adjourn to Executive Session

Moved to adjourn into executive session at 7:01 PM. This motion, made by Suzanne Johnstone and seconded by Gia Jones, Passed.

Mary Gray: Absent, Alan Paredes: Absent, Suzanne Johnstone: Yea, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam

Larck: Yea, Rachel Lukehart: Yea, Cliff Quine: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

IX. Action from Executive Session

There was no action taken after executive session

X. Adjournment

moved to adjourn at 7:59 pm. This motion, made by Cliff Quine and seconded by Suzanne Johnstone, Passed.

Mary Gray: Absent, Alan Paredes: Absent, Suzanne Johnstone: Yea, Gia Jones: Yea, Adam

Larck: Yea, Rachel Lukehart: Yea, Cliff Quine: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2