

**PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL, District 27**  
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# School Board Business Meeting Minutes

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**Monday, Sept. 11, 2017**

## CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 5:40 p.m. by Board Chair Ryan Wade.

## ATTENDANCE:

Ryan Wade, board chair; Carolyn McIsaac, trustee; Jack Eggenesperger, Richelle Sheets, lead teacher; and Ann Marie Becker, district clerk/business mgr.

## AGENDA:

Ryan moved to approve the agenda; Carolyn seconded. Board voted all in favor.

## MINUTES:

- **Final Budget Meeting:** Ryan moved to approve the minutes and Carolyn seconded motion. Board voted all in favor.
- **August Regular School Board Meeting:** Ryan moved to approve the minutes and Carolyn second motion. Board voted all in favor.

## PUBLIC COMMENT:

No public comment.

## CLERK'S REPORT/WARRANT APPROVAL:

Ann presented the September 2017 warrant report. The following reports were also distributed:

- ✓ Check register for payrolls from September 1-30, 2017
- ✓ July 2017 Final & Balanced Report

The Lighting Retrofit Project is complete and Flathead Electric Coop will issue to PVS an incentive check for \$1,110. Total cost of this project was \$2,704.55. Payment was made with \$1,729.49 of encumbered funds and \$975.06 from general funds. \$1,110 will be restored into the general fund once our check is received. PVS now has state-of-the-art, energy-saving LED fixtures throughout the main building and gym. According to FEC's energy study, should reduce monthly electric costs.

Ryan moved to approve the warrant and clerk's reports. Carolyn seconded the motion. Board voted all in favor.

## TEACHER'S REPORT:

Richelle presented the September Teacher's Report.

- **Enrollment Update:** Three students are currently enrolled for the 2017-18 school year.
- **School Spirit Painting Project:** This project is complete. Richelle painted a blue accent line bordered with a silver line across the front of the classroom. On top of the blue accent line between the flags reads "Pleasant Valley Wolves" and wolf paw prints, both in silver.
- **Slow and non-existent internet connection:** The school experienced a major connectivity problem the first few days of school which resulted in students MAPS testing via Wi-Fi at the Office of the Superintendent of School's Office in Kalispell.
- **Open House:** Planned for Tuesday, October 3 from 4-5:30 p.m. (Prior to the Board Meeting)
- **Fall Festival:** Planned for Saturday, October 28.
- **Field Trips:** Trips are planned for this fall including Big Fork Playhouse and Pumpkin Patch.

Also presented for review:

- ✓ September Newsletter
- ✓ 2017-2018 Daily Classroom Schedule
- ✓ Monthly Calendar
- ✓ Updated Contact List

## OLD BUSINESS:

- **Internet Service:** The school's slow internet service provided by MontanaSky Networks was discussed. Current service is often not adequate for students' online testing. The Board discussed getting Hughes Net as a secondary source. Bambi has Hughes Net and Richelle will ask her for speed test results. Carolyn made a motion, seconded by Ryan for Ann to look into obtaining more information from Hughes Net regarding their business plans and how their service would benefit PVS's internet accessibility. Ann will explore options, including Hughes Net cost, if a 30-day trial is available and if they offer any discounts for schools. Ann will also look into fiber options and costs, grants, etc.
- **Statement of Claim for Existing Water Right – Exempt Stock Use:** Ryan explained this will be in the best interest of the school and will discuss it in greater detail at a future Board meeting.

## NEW BUSINESS:

- **School Nursing Contract:** Ryan made a motion, seconded by Carolyn, that PVS not enter a service contract with Flathead City-County Health Department for August 1 through July 31, 2018. The Board voted all in favor.
- **School Policy:** The Board reviewed MTSBA's August Policy Notes regarding revised and new policies. Ann will prepare drafts of the suggested revisions to PVS policy for the Board review and vote for adoption at the October Board Meeting.

**MAINTENANCE & SAFETY:**

- **Teacherage:** Ryan and Janet checked heat tape and spread out the black vapor barrier under teacherage. Ryan mentioned additional insulation needs to be added under the hall bath on the north end.
- **School Suburban:** Tire Rama checked out the front end and all looks good. They repaired the air-conditioning unit. Kevin repaired the exhaust system. Ann ordered replacement control knobs for the dashboard.

**INFORMATION & CORRESPONDENCE:**

- *Top Safety*, September 2017
- **Next meeting:** Regular School Board Business Meeting is Tuesday, Oct. 3, 2017 @ 5:30 p.m.
- *The Trustee*, August 2017

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Ryan motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m.; seconded by Carolyn. The Board voted all in favor.

Respectfully,

Ann Marie Becker  
District Clerk

Approved as submitted: \_\_\_\_\_ Date:  
Approved as corrected: \_\_\_\_\_ Date:  
Ryan Wade, Board Chair: \_\_\_\_\_