

PYMATUNING VALLEY LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION  
March 8, 2021

REGULAR SESSION  
MINUTES

The Pymatuning Valley Local Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, March 8, 2021 at 6:00 pm at the Middle School Cafeteria with the following members present: President Duane Marcy, Vice President Margaret Struna, Mr. Curt Harvey, Mrs. Jodie Hitchcock and Mr. Josh Peyton.

President Marcy invited all present to join in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by each person introducing themselves.

Superintendent Chris Edison, along with Mr. Eric Senor on behalf of the Andover Bank representing the Pymatuning Area Chamber of Commerce, presented each Student of the Month with a certificate. Primary School Principal Lori Slekar introduced Katelynn Konopinski, February Primary School Student of the Month. Middle School Principal Wendy Tisch introduced Justin Summers, February Middle School Student of the Month. High School Principal Dan Jackson introduced Mason Inman, February High School School Student of the Month.

Building Principals each presented a brief update of their respective buildings.

There were no correspondences reviewed by the Board.

Mrs. Struna moved to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2021 Regular Meeting with Mr. Harvey seconding the motion. Roll call: Mrs. Struna-Yes, Mr. Harvey-Yes, Mrs. Hitchcock-Yes, Mr. Peyton-Yes, President Marcy-Yes. Motion passed.

Mr. Harvey moved to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2021 Special Meeting with Mrs. Hitchcock seconding the motion. Roll call: Mr. Harvey-Yes, Mrs. Hitchcock-Yes, Mr. Peyton-Yes, Mrs. Struna-Yes, President Marcy-Yes. Motion passed.

Mr. Peyton moved to approve the Financial Reports for February with Mrs. Struna seconding the motion. Roll call: Mr. Peyton-Yes, Mrs. Struna-Yes, Mr. Harvey-Yes, Mrs. Hitchcock-Yes, President Marcy-Yes. Motion passed.

Mr. Harvey moved to approve the Payments of Bills for February with Mrs. Hitchcock seconding the motion. Roll call: Mr. Harvey-Yes, Mrs. Hitchcock-Yes, Mr. Peyton-Yes, Mrs. Struna-Yes, President Marcy-Yes. Motion passed

Mr. Peyton moved to approve the Investments for February with Mrs. Struna seconding the motion. Roll call: Mr. Peyton-Yes, Mrs. Struna-Yes, Mr. Harvey-Yes, Mrs. Hitchcock-Yes, President Marcy-Yes. Motion passed.

No one spoke during the opportunity for the Public to speak on agenda items.

There was no old business.

Superintendent Edison recommended that the Board approve the following employment recommendations 1a through 1d and asked for a combined Board vote and there were no objections from the Board.

1. Employment Recommendations:

- a. Non-renew the activity contracts of the following coaches:
  1. Geena Gabriel, Asst. & JV Girls Basketball
  2. Terrance Jones, Jr. High Wrestling
  3. Todd Neczeporenko, Freshman Boys Basketball
- b. Approve the job description and evaluation form for Speech & Language Pathologist. (Exhibit "A")
- c. Employ Tarah Heffernan as a Substitute Custodian for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year at the current substitute pay rate.
- d. Accept the resignation of Amber Herren, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Coach, eff. Mar. 8, 2021.

Mr. Harvey made a motion to approve the Superintendent's recommendations 1a. through 1d. with Mrs. Struna seconding the motion. Roll call: Mr. Harvey-Yes, Mrs. Struna-Yes, Mrs. Hitchcock-Yes, Mr. Peyton-Yes, President Marcy-Yes. Motion passed.

Superintendent Edison then recommended the following recommendations 2. through 6. and asked for a combined Board vote and there were no objections from the Board.

2. Approve new open enrollment students for the 2020-2021 school year. (Exhibit "B")
3. Approve a 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade State Assessment Resolution allowing 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students to be administered the English Language Arts and Mathematics Assessments in a paper format for the 2021-2022 school year. (Exhibit "C")
4. Approve the proposed 2021-2022 school year calendar. (Exhibit "D")
5. Approve a resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor. (Exhibit "E")
6. Approve the following donations:
  - a. The PV Music Boosters donated \$1,500.00 to PV Band for classroom TV's and mounts.
  - b. The following donations towards the Steven A. Urchek Memorial Scholarship Fund. (Exhibit "F")

Mrs. Struna made a motion to approve the Superintendent's recommendations 2. through 6. with Mr. Peyton seconding the motion. Roll call: Mrs. Struna-Yes, Mr. Peyton-Yes, Mr. Harvey-Yes, Mrs. Hitchcock-Yes, President Marcy-Yes. Motion passed.

No one spoke during the time for Staff with comments.

During the time for Board Members with comments, Mr. Harvey complimented Mr. Jackson's efforts for his participation in the High School Spring Play as well as thanked the gentlemen from 440 and Goal that produced the live streaming of our high school athletic events on YouTube. Mr. Peyton highlighted recent issues of staff and students having difficulty in returning back to in-person classroom instruction at other larger school districts and he thanked our staff and parents in how everyone has adapted nicely to the new safety protocols this school year.

No one spoke during the time for the Public with comments.

At 6:43 pm Mrs. Struna made a motion for the Board to enter into executive session for the purpose to discuss preparations for negotiations with the certified and classified staff bargaining units with Mr. Peyton seconding the motion. Roll call: Mrs. Struna-Yes, Mr. Peyton-Yes, Mr. Harvey-Yes, Mrs. Hitchcock-Yes, President Marcy-Yes. Motion passed.

At 8:51 pm Mrs. Struna made a motion for the Board to exit from executive session with Mr. Harvey seconding the motion. Roll call: Mrs. Struna-Yes, Mr. Harvey-Yes, Mrs. Hitchcock-Yes, Mr. Peyton-Yes, President Marcy-Yes. Motion passed.

At 8:52 pm Mrs. Struna made a motion for the Board to adjourn the regular meeting with Mr. Harvey seconding the motion. Roll call: Mrs. Struna-Yes, Mr. Harvey-Yes, Mrs. Hitchcock-Yes, Mr. Peyton-Yes, President Marcy-Yes. Motion passed.