

PYMATUNING VALLEY LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION

June 24, 2024

REGULAR SESSION

MINUTES

The Pymatuning Valley Local Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, June 24, 2024 at 6:00 pm in the High School Lecture Room with the following Board Members present: President Jodie Hitchcock, Vice President Margaret Struna, Mr. Curt Harvey, Mr. Duane Marcy and Mr. Josh Peyton.

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

Anne Siembor, representing the Academic Boosters presented the Valedictorian Scholarships to students, Emily Blanford and Zachary Morgret. Zachary was not able to attend.

Superintendent Christopher Edison recognized all of the retirees for the 2023-2024 school year. Kevin Brown, High School Art Teacher, Teresa Cecelic, First Grade Teacher and Chris Root, Middle School Educational Aide.

The following correspondence was reviewed by the Board:

Letter of Retirement - Classified Staff

Mr. Peyton moved to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2024 Regular Meeting with Mr. Harvey seconding the motion. Roll call: Mr. Peyton-Yes, Mr. Harvey-Yes, Mr. Marcy-Yes, Mrs. Struna-Yes, President Hitchcock-Yes. Motion passed.

Mr. Harvey moved to approve the minutes of the June 3, 2024 Special Meeting with Mrs. Struna seconding the motion. Roll call: Mr. Harvey-Yes, Mrs. Struna-Yes, Mr. Marcy-Yes, Mr. Peyton-Yes, President Hitchcock-Yes. Motion passed.

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

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

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

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

There was no old business.

Mr. Edison recommended that the Board approve the following recommendations 1A. through 1J. with no objections from the Board.

1. Employment & Personnel Recommendations:

- A. Accept the retirement notice of High School Secretary, Catherine Fassett effective November 30, 2024.
- B. Reassign Elizabeth Westerberg, Primary School Cook to an (8) hour Middle School Educational Aide position at a salary rate of \$17.41 an hour (Step 4) effective 2024-2025 school year.
- C. Reassign Rebecca Sanders from a Bus Driver to a Head Bus Driver position at a salary rate of \$22.85 an hour (Step 26) effective July 1, 2024.
- D. Reassign Julia Schaff from High School Cook to a 5.25-hour Primary School Cook position at a salary rate of \$16.98 an hour (Step 2) effective 2024-2025 school year.
- E. Approve \$1,250.00 stipends for the following teachers for the completing structured literacy training beyond the contractual day as part of the Comprehensive Literacy State Development Subgrants:
 - a. Danielle Croston
 - b. Kristy Dismukes
 - c. Celeste Fenton

- d. Sarah Fetters
 - e. Amber Herren
 - f. Nicole Miller
 - g. Shaunah Morris
 - h. Rachael Richards
 - i. Rachel Timlin
- F. Employ Grace Wlotzko and Jason Jewett as substitutes for the Summer of 2024 at the salary rate of \$16.00 an hour.
- G. Employ the following as certified teacher substitutes under the Ohio Department of Education temporary non-bachelor substitute teaching license rule effective for the 2024-2025 school year:
- a. Jason Jewett
 - b. Lisa Rhoades
 - c. Cortney Shinault
 - d. Grace Wlotzko
- H. Employ the following classified substitutes for the 2024-2025 school year at the salary rate of \$16.00 an hour:
- a. Rebecca Burford
 - b. Helen Cortright
 - c. Kim Crawford
 - d. Victoria Day
 - e. Danelle Lavo
 - f. Marsha Leonard
 - g. Rebecca Modock
 - h. Patricia Pappas
 - i. Lisa Rhoades
 - j. Jama Rose
 - k. Julia Schaff
 - l. Grace Wlotzko
- I. Approve the following list of bus drivers and substitute bus drivers for the 2024-2025 school year pending appropriate certification. (Exhibit "A")
- J. Employ the following under one year limited Supplemental and Activity Contracts for the 2024-2025 school year at the negotiated salary rate:

High School Supplementals:

- a. Head Boys Track Coach - Richard Walters
- b. Head Girls Track Coach - Anne Siembor
- c. Asst. Girls Track Coach - Erin Meszaros
- d. Head Baseball Coach - Neal Croston
- e. Asst. & JV Baseball Coach - Jeff Compan
- f. Head Softball Coach - Andy Gray
- g. Asst. & JV Softball Coach - Mark
Limestoll
- h. Athletic Director - Melody Nowakowski
- i. Ticket Manager - Eugenia Stroeter
- j. Cheerleading Advisor - Andrea
Wonderling
- k. Instrumental Music Director - Justin Dye
- l. Color Guard Advisor - Taylor Brown
- m. Choral Music Director - Taylor Brown
- n. Spring Musical Director - Taylor Brown
- o. Spring Musical Accompanist - Colleen
Sabeh
- p. Freshman Class Advisor - Dan Jackson
- q. Sophomore Class Advisor - Misty
Irizarry
- r. Junior Class Advisor - Andrea
Wonderling
- s. Senior Class Advisor - Anne Siembor
- t. Student Council Advisor - Amy Moyer
- u. National Honor Society Advisor - Alexis
DeMott
- v. VMPAC Facility Manager/Sound Technician
- Justin Dye
- w. VMPAC Asst. Facility Manager/Lighting
Technician - Colleen Sabeh
- x. Percussion Advisor - Hugh Yeckle
- y. FFA Advisor - Thomas Mazzaro
- z. Assistant FFA Advisor - Mandy Orahood
- aa. Yearbook Advisor - Andrea Wonderling

Middle School:

- a. Junior High Boys Track Coach - Michael
Calderone
- b. Junior High Girls Track Coach - Ellen
Darby
- c. Athletic Director - Andy Gray
- d. Music Director (Instrumental) - Justin Dye
- e. Music Director (Vocal) - Taylor Brown
- f. Drama Director - Taylor Brown
- g. Overnight Extended Trip Sponsor - Tracy
Cleland
- h. Yearbook Advisor - Rob Wludyga

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

Mr. Edison recommended the Board approve the following recommendation 2. through 22. With no objections from the Board:

2. Approve the list of open enrollment students for Pymatuning Valley Local Schools for the 2024-2025 school year. (Exhibit "B")
3. Approve the 2024-2025 Primary, Middle & High School Student Handbooks. (Exhibit "C, D & E")
4. Approve Number of Verified Incidents of Bullying, Harassment and/or Intimidation in PV Schools from January 2024 to May 2024:

Pymatuning Primary School - 0
Pymatuning Middle School - 0
Pymatuning High School - 0

5. Approve the disposal of outdated curriculum books. (Exhibit "F")
6. Approve the Gifted Teacher and Gifted Supervision Service Agreement between Trumbull County Educational Service Center and PVLSD effective August 1, 2024 through July 31, 2025. (Exhibit "G")
7. Approve the Pymatuning Valley Local School District Online Learning Plan. (Exhibit "H")
8. Approve the Pymatuning Valley Local School District Cell Phone Policy effective the 2024- 2025 school year. (Exhibit "I")
9. Approve a 3 Year Agreement between Ohio Schools Council and Waste Management beginning July 1, 2024 and ending on June 30, 2027. (Exhibit "J")
10. Approve the following rates for event support personnel for the 2023-2024 OHSAA playoff games for the following events as recommended by the High School Athletic Director. (Exhibit "K")

11. Authorize the Treasurer to publish public notice to proceed with a public hearing on July 22, 2024 at 5:00pm at the High School Lecture Room to address a proposed change of its levy within the ten-mill limitation to 1.0 mills for permanent improvement purposes with the balance of such levy to remain for current operational expenses. (Exhibit "L" & "M")
12. Approve a Resolution declaring intent to proceed with election on the question of renewal of an emergency tax levy. (Exhibit "N")
13. Approve Liability Insurance Coverage with Love Insurance effective July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025. (Exhibit "O")
14. Approve payment of late arriving bills before June 30, 2024.
15. Authorize FY2024 year-end transfers, adjustments, additions, and deletions to revenues, appropriations, and line items as needed.
16. Authorize the Treasurer to amend the Certificate of Estimated Resources and adjust appropriations, as needed on June 30, 2024, and transfer to any other fund as necessary in order to avoid an operating deficit on June 30, 2024.
17. Approve the final FY2024 Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources and Appropriation Resolution as presented. (Exhibit "P" and "Q")
18. Approve the list of appropriation adjustments and fund to fund transfers and advances as presented. (Exhibit "R")
19. Authorize the Treasurer to establish temporary appropriations for FY2025 at 35% of the 2023-2024 expenditures to provide for operating expenses until permanent appropriations are adopted at the September 2024 regular meeting of the Board of Education.
20. Approve the Little Laker Academy Preschool Program Handbook. (Exhibit "S")

21. Accept the following donations:
- a. Lakeside Dance donated \$1,000.00 towards VMPAC improvements.
 - b. Randy and Sally Cotton donated \$1,500.00 to the Kevin Larusch Scholarship.
 - c. Jim and Sonia Malz donated \$4,000.00 to the Gold Pride Scholarship.
 - d. OASBO donated \$500.00 to go towards a Mentorship Scholarship.
 - e. The Roaming Shores Polar Bear Plunge Committee donated \$12,000.00 to the Jeffrey Meddock Scholarship.
 - f. The Music Boosters donated \$7,386.00 to the High School Drama department.
 - g. Bruns Insurance donated \$250.00 to the FFA.
 - h. SCI donated \$50.00 to the FFA.
 - i. The Athletic Boosters donated \$144.70 to High School Track and \$171.94 to High School Football.
 - j. The following donated to the High School Volleyball Team:
 - Athletic Boosters - \$200.60
 - Robert & Stephanie Vickery - 45.00
 - Ben & Emily Pittman - 45.00
 - Harvey Homes & RV Sales - \$200.00
 - Cherry Valley Furniture - \$150.00
 - Anonymous - \$185.00
 - H & H Enterprises - \$200.00
 - Shawn & Amy Hurst - \$45.00
22. Approve the change of the July Regular Board Meeting from July 8, 2024 to July 22, 2024 at 6:00PM in the High School Lecture Room.

Mrs. Struna moved to approve the Superintendent's recommendations 2. through 22. with Mr. Peyton seconding the motion. Roll call: Mrs. Struna-Yes, Mr. Peyton-Yes, Mr. Harvey-Yes, Mrs. Marcy-Yes, President Hitchcock-Yes. Motion passed.

During the time for Staff with comments, Anne Siembor thanked the Board for the newly hired staff members.

During the time for Board Members with comments, President Hitchcock thanked Mrs. Siembor for putting together the High School Graduation Ceremony.

No one spoke during the time for the Public to speak.

At 6:26 pm Mrs. Struna made a motion for the Board to enter into executive session to discuss other matters related to a student required to be kept confidential in accordance with Federal law and State statutes. Mr. Harvey seconding the motion. Mrs. Struna-Yes, Mr. Harvey-Yes, Mr. Peyton-Yes, Mr. Marcy-Yes, President Hitchcock-Yes. Motion Passed.

At 8:31 pm Mrs. Struna made a motion for the Board to exit the executive session with Mr. Harvey seconding the motion. Roll call: Mrs. Struna-Yes, Mr. Harvey-Yes, Mr. Peyton-Yes, Mr. Marcy-Yes, President Hitchcock-Yes. Motion passed.

At 8:33 pm Mr. Peyton made a motion for the Board to adjourn the regular meeting with Mr. Marcy seconding the motion. Roll call: Mr. Peyton-Yes, Mr. Marcy-Yes, Mr. Harvey-Yes, Mrs. Struna-Yes, President Hitchcock-Yes. Motion passed.