

PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL District 27

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School Board Business Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, December 10, 2025

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 5:47 p.m. by Board Chair Ryan Wade.

ATTENDANCE:

Ryan Wade, Board Chair; Ray Anderson, Vice Chair; Max Edington, Trustee; Richelle Sheets, Lead Teacher; Lori Sheets, District Clerk; and Marcia Stolfus, Flathead County Superintendent of Schools. All attended remotely via Google Meet due to inclement weather.

AGENDA:

Ryan Wade moved to approve the agenda and Ray seconded the motion. The Board voted all in favor.

MINUTES:

Ryan moved to approve the minutes from the Regular November Meeting. Max seconded the motion, and the Board voted all in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment.

CLERK'S REPORT/WARRANT APPROVAL:

Lori reviewed the warrant report explaining expenditures for November. Lori highlighted the first tuition payment was made. Ryan asked about the lower than usual power bill and Lori explained that it was due to the annual capital credit given last month. Lori shared the general fund budget vs. actual which shows that 42% has been committed. Ryan moved to approve the December warrant report with Max giving the second. The Board voted all in favor.

TEACHER'S REPORT:

Richelle briefed the Board on the following:

PVS Update: Christmas break will begin December 19th and goes through the 4th of January. School will resume on January 5th.

MAST Testing Update: The first testing window closed on December 5th. The next session will begin January 12th.

Holiday Program: Our annual Holiday program will be Thursday, December 18th at 6 pm. We will be having a pasta potluck dinner and cookie exchange following the student program. Lori watched the program and said that it was going to be good. Lori cannot attend and Mrs. Presley will be taking on her responsibilities for the potluck.

OLD BUSINESS:

Emergency Operations Plan Annual Review: The Board continued the annual review of the plan. The Board reviewed 5 of the emergencies most likely to occur and updated the procedures. Another 7 emergencies will be reviewed in January. The goal is to have the document updated by the February meeting.

Bridged Health Alliance: Trustees continued to consider Bridged Health Alliance. Lori did not receive any reply to the questions which were emailed to Bridged Health Alliance. Lori shared an email that stated districts would not be responsible for any "runout" claims when the provision is in the law. Lori noted that the agreement was a 5-year commitment. After discussion of a cost comparison of Bridged Health Alliance and the Healthcare Marketplace, Ryan moved that we don't accept the proposal from Bridged Health Alliance. Ray

seconded the motion and the Board voted all in favor. Ryan asked for a discussion on the rising healthcare costs and funds available for bonus/stipend for all staff members. This will be added to the January agenda.

NEW BUSINESS:

County Superintendent Report: Marcia shared information from a meeting she recently attended about College and Career Readiness. While funds used to be focused on the high school level, in FY 2028, the funding will be available for younger grades. Pleasant Valley could use Digital Academy courses to receive the future ready payment in FY 2028. This area will be a part of future accreditation. Marcia will assist Lori and Richelle to complete the accreditation that is due in February.

Update on special education child count. Marcia completed this for Pleasant Valley. There are 2 homeschool students registered with the County Superintendent who qualified and were reported on the child count.

MTSBA November Policy Updates: Trustees reviewed recommended policy updates. After review, Ryan moved to approve 1700 form, Notice Form 3600, 1401, 2161, 2700, 3110, 3150, 3600, 4550, 5015, 5321, Procedure 2158, Procedure 2161, Procedure 3600, Procedure 5321, and Procedure 5334, with the notable changes made. Ray seconded the motion and the Board voted all in favor.

MAINTENANCE & SAFETY:

Removal of volleyball court: Will be completed based on equipment availability and weather. Most likely in the spring.

Tree trimming is needed along the fence where the trees are overhanging into the parking lot drive lane. Ryan will try to remove branches during winter break.

INFORMATION & CORRESPONDENCE:

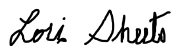
School Safety Compliance Newsletter, December 2025, was emailed to trustees.

Next Regular Meeting Date: The next regular school board meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 14th, 2026 at 5:45 pm at Pleasant Valley School.

ADJOURNMENT:

Ryan adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully,



Lori Sheets, District Clerk

Ryan Wade, Board Chair: _____

Approved as submitted: 1/14/2026

Approved as corrected: