

## PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL District 27

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### School Board Business Meeting Minutes

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**Wednesday, February 11, 2026**

#### CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 5:51 p.m. by Board Chair Ryan Wade.

#### ATTENDANCE:

Ray Anderson, Vice Chair; Richelle Sheets, Lead Teacher; and Lori Sheets, District Clerk; attended in person. Ryan Wade, Board Chair; and Max Edington, Trustee; attended remotely via Google Meet.

#### 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 January 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 informed the Board that the Fortinet Firewall was reaching end of life in July 2026. She was able to have the E-Rate consultant file the 471 form with USAC to receive bids for a replacement. Bids are accepted for 28 days. Brent was notified that he could place a bid through USAC.

MSGIA property insurance values were reviewed and we are maintaining the same values as last year. Spring count was February 2<sup>nd</sup>. All 9 students were in attendance. The count was sent to OPI.

Lori reviewed the warrant report explaining expenditures for February. Lori shared the general fund budget vs. actual which shows that 56% has been committed. Ryan moved to approve the February warrant report with Ray giving the second. The Board voted all in favor.

#### TEACHER'S REPORT:

Richelle briefed the Board on the following:

PVS Update: No Changes

High School Registration Update: Due to a lack of sub-availability, I am unable to find a substitute for Brave Beginnings on the 18th. Lori will be transporting and accompanying our 8th grader through his school tour.

Noting the lack of sub availability, Richelle shared that Lori had reached out to Marion to see if they had any that would like to sub for us. Marion replied that they only have 2. Later they emailed that they had a sub interested. Lori shared details about the need to obtain fingerprint background check. The process is underway. Richelle will have further details at the next meeting when she requests to add the person to the sub list.

End of Year Field Trip: All arrangements have been made with locations and hotels. We are ready for final preparations and departure in May.

OLD BUSINESS:

Accreditation 2026: Richelle updated the trustees about accreditation. This year’s process was easy and filed with OPI in about 10 minutes. Richelle worked with Marcia to complete it. Richelle had the authorization to certify it.

NEW BUSINESS:

Emergency Plan and Embark Closure: The trustees discussed Embark’s closure and the impact on the school’s emergency plan. All references to Embark need to be removed and add in 911 as needed. Richelle will make updates and present it at the next meeting.

Power Outage Back Up: The trustees discussed backup power options for power outages. The Board will seek estimates for backup power generator for the school and teacherage. At this time, the funding would be from building maintenance. Lori will investigate grant options.

Chaperone Fingerprint Background Check: The trustees discussed the need for chaperone fingerprint background checks to be done prior to the state history field trip due to the new law and school policy. Richelle needs some male chaperones to have the check done so that they can escort the boys to the restroom. Lori asked if the district would cover the cost as the chaperone is doing it to assist on the field trip. Ryan recused himself as he is one of the chaperones. Ray moved that the district covers the cost of the background checks for the chaperones as needed. Max seconded. Ray and Max voted in the affirmative and Ryan abstained.

MAINTENANCE & SAFETY:

Ramp needed on new shed. The Board requested that Lori see if it was something that Kyle could do this spring as part of his groundskeeper position. Lori will inquire.

INFORMATION & CORRESPONDENCE:

*School Safety Compliance Newsletter, February 2026, emailed to trustees*

Trustees Election: Trustee candidate filing closed on February 9th. Write-in candidates may file a Declaration of Intent and Oath of Candidacy with the district clerk until March 2 at 5 pm. Candidates must be registered to vote by the filing deadline. Lori had the forms available.

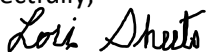
Gym Use Agreement Received. Lori received an agreement to use the gym to practice basketball. The parent will work with Richelle on usage.

Next Regular Meeting Date: The next regular school board meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 11th, 2026 at 5:45 pm at Pleasant Valley School.

ADJOURNMENT:

Ryan adjourned the meeting at 6:54 p.m.

Respectfully,



Lori Sheets, District Clerk

Ryan Wade, Board Chair: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved as submitted: 3/11/2026

Approved as corrected: