

PYMATUNING VALLEY LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION

August 11, 2025

REGULAR SESSION

MINUTES

The Pymatuning Valley Local Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, August 11, 2025 at 6:00 pm in the High School Lecture Room with the following Board Members present: President Margaret Struna, Vice President Josh Peyton, Mr. Curt Harvey, Mrs. Jodie Hitchcock and Mr. Duane Marcy.

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

Superintendent Christopher Edison recognized the following retirees from the 2024-2025 school year: Cathy Fassett, High School Secretary, Steve Hlabse, Bus Driver and Mel Nowakowski, Middle School Physical Education Teacher.

There was no correspondence.

Mrs. Hitchcock moved to approve the minutes of the June 30, 2025 Regular Meeting with Mr. Harvey seconding the motion. Roll call: Mrs. Hitchcock-Yes, Mr. Harvey-Yes, Mr. Marcy-Yes, Mr. Peyton-Yes, President Struna-Yes. Motion passed.

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

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

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

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

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

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

No one spoke during the opportunity 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 1C. with no objections from the Board:

1. Employment & Personnel Recommendations:

- a. Employ the following as certified teacher substitutes under the Ohio Department of Education temporary substitute non-bachelor teaching license rule effective for the 2025-2026 school year:
 - a. Kenneth Boustead
 - b. Jodie Hunter
 - c. Saige Payne
 - d. Barbara Steel
- b. Employ the following under one-year limited supplemental contracts for the 2025-2026 school year at the negotiated salary rate:

High School Supplementals:

- a. FFA Assistant Advisor - Charity Mazzaro
- b. Head Boys Track Coach - Richard Walters
- c. Assistant Boys Track Coach - Amanda Dick
- d. Head Baseball Coach - Neal Croston
- e. Assistant Baseball Coach - Jeff Compan
- f. Head Softball Coach - Andy Gray
- g. Assistant Softball Coach - Mark Limestoll

Junior High Supplementals:

- a. 8th Grade Boys Basketball Coach - Andy Gray
- b. Junior High Girls Track Coach - Ellen Darby
- c. Junior High Boys Track Coach - Michael Calderone

- c. Approve Bradly Fryauff as a volunteer Jr. High cross-country coach and Rob Vickery as a volunteer Jr. High football coach pending completion of all coaching requirements.

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

Mr. Edison recommended that the Board approve the following recommendations 2. through 12. with no objections from the Board:

2. Approve the following food service rates for the 2025-2026 school year:
 - a. Adult Breakfast - \$2.25
 - b. Adult Lunch - \$5.00
 - c. Extra Milk - .75
 - d. Extra HS Lunch - \$4.00
 - e. Extra MS Lunch - \$3.75
3. Accept bids as follows for food service products for the 2025-2026 school year:
 - a. Produce - GG's Farm & Garden
 - b. Dairy Products - Prairie Farms
 - c. Bread Supplier - Gordon Food Service
4. Approve the Bus Routes for the 2025-2026 school year. (Exhibit "A")
5. Approve a Memorandum of Understanding between ACCESS and Pymatuning Valley Local Schools for services provided for the 2025-2026 school year. (Exhibit "B")
6. Approve the following Ashtabula County Educational Service Contracts listed below:
 - a. Autism Service Contract for SY2025-2026. (Exhibit "C")
 - b. Physical Therapy Services Agreement for SY2025-2026. (Exhibit "D")
 - c. Occupational Therapy Service Agreement for SY2025-2026. (Exhibit "E")
 - d. Happy Hearts Satellite Agreement for SY2025-2026. (Exhibit "F")

- e. Building Bridges Service Contract for SY2025-2026. (Exhibit "G")
- 7. Approve the Gifted Teacher and Gifted Supervision Service Agreement between Trumbull County Educational Service Center and PVLSD effective August 1, 2025 through July 31, 2026. (Exhibit "H")
- 8. Approve the Mentor Cardinal Autism Resource and Education School (CARES) 2025-2026 agreement for Admission/Tuition. (Exhibit "I" & "J")
- 9. Approve a Pymatuning Valley Local School District Cell Phone policy effective August 1, 2025. (Exhibit "K")
- 10. Re-adopt the Title I Programs board policy, IGBJ (Exhibit "L") and the Parent and Family Involvement in Education, IGBL board policy. (Exhibit "M")
- 11. Adopt OSBA required policy IGBLA, Promoting Parental Involvement. (Exhibit "N")
- 12. Accept the following donations:
 - a. Academic Boosters donated \$285.61 for academic pins.
 - b. The Andover Eagles donated \$1,000.00 to the Jr. High Football Team.
 - c. The Andover Eagles Ladies Auxiliary donated \$300.00 to the Jr. High Football Team.

Mr. Harvey moved to approve the Superintendent's recommendations 2. through 12. with Mr. Marcy seconding the motion. Roll call: Mr. Harvey-Yes, Mr. Marcy-Yes, Mrs. Hitchcock-Yes, Mr. Peyton-Yes, President Struna-Yes. Motion passed.

During the time for staff with comments, Mr. Edison reiterated the zero use of cell phones for students with the implementation of the new Board approved policy.

During the time for board members with comments, Mr. Harvey addressed issues concerning the High School Softball program and how the School Board did not arrive at their decision lightly.

During the time for the public to speak, Stephanie Luke spoke about her concerns with the High School Softball Program and asked for further investigation into the program.

At 6:35 p.m., Mr. Peyton made a motion for the Board to adjourn the regular meeting with Mr. Harvey seconding the motion. Roll call: Mr. Peyton-Yes, Mr. Harvey-Yes, Mrs. Hitchcock-Yes, Mr. Marcy-Yes, President Struna-Yes. Motion passed.