

BOARD OF EDUCATION
PLEASANT HILL R-III SCHOOL DISTRICT
PLEASANT HILL, MISSOURI
Open Minutes of Regular Session
May 19, 2026

President John Edenburn called the open session to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Central Office at 318 Cedar.

CALL TO ORDER

Garrett Hitch led the Pledge of Allegiance
Todd Wilson recited the district's Mission Statement.

The following board members and district staff members were present (unless otherwise noted):

Board Members

John Edenburn, President
Lori Redwine, Vice President
Todd Wilson
David Adamczyk
Jason Hull
Lisa Vescovi
Travis Ross

District Staff Members

Dr. Wayne Burke, Superintendent
Dr. Suzanne Brennaman- Assist Superint
Cathy Jobe, Board Secretary
Jana Little- Board Clerk-absent

REGULAR AGENDA

The motion was made by David Adamczyk to approve the regular agenda, The motion was approved with a 7 yes, 0 no vote.

The Consent agenda motion was approved with unanimous consent.

Consent Agenda was presented:

- A. Approve the minutes of the previous meeting dated April 21, 2026.
- B. Approve the financial statements, monthly bills, transfer of funds.
- C. Misc. Contracts- Behavioral Alliance, Byrd Vision, LLC, Quantum Health Services, Pear Assessment, KVC Behavioral Health, EGL Associates, Northwest Missouri State MOU.
- D. Curriculum Resources: Delta Math, All Things Algebra
- E. Sunshine Law Custodian of Records designee
- F. School Building Handbook Revisions

CONSENT AGENDA

PHHS Job Olympics-

JOB Olympics-Kristin Juliette presented to the Board an update on the Job Olympics that her students participated in this year. The students participated in both the local competition and the State competition at University of Missouri. The team brought home 12 gold medals, 8 silver medals and 10 participation medals between the two competitions. Garrett Hitch was awarded the Jake Jacobs award for showing compassion. Congratulations to all Job Olympics participants.

Distinguished Poetry Piece of Writing: Staff-Christie Diederich and Jamie Price presented to the board 2 sixth grade students, Traeh Horpinjuk & Remy Rindels. The students presented their free verse poetry that was submitted into a distinguished poetry contest this year.

LETRS Graduates: Sherry Helus presented to the board Megan Brewer for graduation of the LETRS program. Megan Brewer makes the 13th graduate from the LETRS program at the Primary School. LETRS (Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling) is a comprehensive program to provide early childhood, elementary educators and administrators with the knowledge to be literacy and language experts in science and reading. LETRS teaches the skills needed to master the foundational and fundamentals of reading and writing instruction. These teachers are committed to meeting 4x a year for 2 years. They will earn College credits for training.

Optimist Club Cookie Presentation: Myra Doehla from the Optimist Club presented cookies to the board and provided an overview of the cookie program from the Optimist Club. Myra shared her appreciation with working with the district and allowing the Optimist Club to share in the celebration of students.

Bond Construction Update: Newkirk Novak shared bond updates in the district. DLR presented two graphic designs for the field house exterior. Todd Wilson made the motion to accept the PH graphic design as presented. Ross-yes, Adamczyk-yes, Wilson-yes, Vescovi-yes, Hull-yes, Redwine-yes, Edenburn-yes. The motion was approved with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Newkirk Novak shared the bleacher project update and cost associated with this design. The scope of work cost came in at \$473,367 for concrete, roofing, electrical, earthwork and structure demo, fencing and gates, landscaping and transformer relocation. This scope of work includes the removal of the existing locker room outside the middle school. Todd Wilson made the motion to approve the bleacher project as presented. Travis Ross-yes, David Adamczyk-yes, Todd Wilson-yes, Lisa Vescovi-yes, Jason Hull-yes, Lori Redwin-yes, John Edenburn-yes. The motion was approved with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Dr. Burke shared with the board the plans for the removal of lockers from the locker room and the possibility of selling existing bleachers from the stadium.

NWEA Test Results-The building principals presented to the board the students results from their spring NWEA testing. The team shared their growth and achievements in each category.

SPED Update Refresher-Sarah Gregory provided an update on the Special Services department and gave an overview of the various programs in her department. Mrs. Gregory shared they currently have 220 students in their program from grades k-12.

PBIS Update Refresher-Dr. Brennaman provided an update on PBIS and the implementation in the buildings. The program teaches common expectations, promotes positive climate and culture.

Lori Redwine left the meeting at 8:58pm.

Literacy Screening Platform Update-Dr. Boden provided an update on the new literacy screening platform IReady. The district will be replacing the NWEA platform with IReady for the 26-27 school year.

Bus Rider Discussion- Dr. Burke presented to the board the requested information for bus riders in the district and the proposed savings of servicing regular education students in grades 9-12 who live more than a mile from either the Middle School or High School. Todd Wilson made the motion to table the discussion until October of 2026. Travis Ross-yes, David Adamczyk-yes, Todd Wilson-yes, Lisa Vescovi-yes, Jason Hull-yes, Lori Redwine-yes, John Edenburn-yes. The motion was approved with a vote of 7yes and 0 no.

Lori Redwine rejoined the meeting via phone at 9:13pm.

Board Policy updates- Dr. Burke presented to the Board MSBA policy updates for Policy DLCA and JFCF and Board Policy Forms and Procedures for JFCF-AF1, JFCF-AF2. Travis Ross made a motion to approve the policies as presented. Ross-yes, Adamczyk-yes, Wilson-yes, Redwine-yes, Vescovi-yes, Hull-yes, Edenburn-yes. The motion was passed with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

ADJOURN

Board Meeting Dates for 2026-27 School Year-The Board discussed dates for the 2026-27 school year.

Travis Ross made the motion to approve the 2026-27 School Board Meeting schedule as presented. Ross-yes, Adamczyk-yes, Wilson-yes, Vescovi-yes, Hull-yes, Redwine-yes, Edenburn-yes. The motion was approved with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Board Comments-

Jason Hull complimented the graduation ceremony.

Thank you for all the work on the bleacher project.

Superintendent Comments-

Dr. Burke shared with the Board the need to discuss a plan for making up the 1 snow days that the district has used for this year. Dr. Burke proposed dissolving the 1 snow days for students and staff and not having them make them up.

Travis Ross made the motion to approve the plan to dissolve the 1 snow day for students and staff.

Ross-yes, Adamczyk-yes, Wilson-yes, Vescovi-yes, Hull-yes, Redwine-yes, Edenburn-yes. The motion was approved with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Special BOE meeting Tuesday June 2 @ 7:30am. Dr. Burke reminded the board that this was a scheduled board meeting and he felt the need to have this meeting.

Dr. Brennaman provided an update on the student hearing process.

Dr. Burke provided a legislative update.

John Edenburn provided an update on the Road/ Bridge tax with the county commissioner.

Board Schedule- Next regular session board meeting will be June 16th at 6pm

The motion was made by Travis Ross to adjourn the open session meeting at 9:26 pm and enter into closed session with closed record and closed vote pursuant to Section 610.021 (3)(13) of Missouri Law. The motion was approved with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Vescovi-yes; Redwine-yes; Hull-yes; Wilson-yes; Adamczyk-yes; Ross-yes; Edenburn-yes.

The motion was approved with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

President John Edenburn reconvened the open session at 10:12 pm.

With no further business the motion was made by Todd Wilson to adjourn the meeting at 10:13 pm. The motion was approved with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.