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Pleasant Valley School District Appoints Former Board Member To Fill a Vacant Seat on the Board of Trustees

At the Board Meeting of July 1, 2021, the Pleasant Valley School District Board appointed former board member Patricia Lerner to fill the provisional vacancy. Ms. Lerner will hold office through the next regularly scheduled election on November 8, 2022. This provisional appointment shall expire on December 2, 2022. The vacancy was created due to the death of Suzanne Kitchens, a long-standing board member and California School Boards Association leader.

The deadline to submit applications was 4:00 p.m. on Friday, June 18. The District received a total of 15 complete applications submitted by the deadline. Four candidates withdrew their applications and one was not present for the interviews. After a two-round, public process, the Board thanked all of the candidates for their time, preparation, and for answering the call to civic duty before moving to appoint Trustee Lerner who then took the Oath of Office and began her term.

The newly appointed trustee is not new to service as a Board member. She served the district from 2006-2010 during a time of significant economic crisis in California schools. Since then she has played other roles in the district including serving as the Chairperson on the Measure C Citizen's Oversight Committee to monitor progress on facility modernizations from the general obligation bond. She is also the treasurer for the Camarillo Academic Olympics, a community organization.

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