

**West Valley Central School Board of Education
Official Minutes**

Regular Meeting

June 22, 2021 at 7pm

via in person and ZOOM

Members Present: Niesyty, Ploetz, Davis, Harmony, Klahn, Lawrence

Absent: Frank

Others Present: O'Brien, Dr. Farrar, Gugino, Amodeo, Boberg, Bryan Hansen, Carla Heitman, Mark Jagord – Springville Journal, Michael Frascella, Scott Payne, Alex Fisher, chemistry class, Glenn Keller, Meghan George-Baker

I. CALL TO ORDER

Regular Meeting called to order at 7p.m. with Ploetz presiding.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the UNITED STATES FLAG

III. Moved by Klahn, seconded by Niesyty to **ADOPT** the **AGENDA** as stated.

Additions none:

Deletions: none

Changes: none

5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

IV. Correspondence/BOE information

none

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Board of Education invites you, the residents of our school community, to feel comfortable in sharing matters of interest or concern that you might have with us.

The Board President will be happy to recognize those of you who wish to speak. Please indicate this on the sign in sheet and you will be called on in order, identify yourself with your name and address.

Those items brought to the attention of the Board during this time may be taken under consideration for future response or action. We ask that individual comments be limited to a few minutes in order to accomplish the evening's agenda.

We respectfully ask that issues related to specific school district personnel or students be brought to the attention of the Superintendent or Principal privately.

VI. BOARD COMMENTS

Within this section of the agenda, the Board of Education or Administration may take the opportunity to comment on matters of interest or concern.

none

VII. PRESENTATIONS

None

VIII. REPORTS

A. Superintendent, Dr. Farrar, reports that we will be collaborating with Springville for volleyball and swimming in the fall. We will have cross country coming to West Valley. Boys' and Girls' soccer with Holland Central School. The district is also working on adding winter sports. We are approving teachers for summer enrichment program which will be covered through a grant. There will also be academic science and sports offered to our students this summer. Some other items recently, we had prom which was a great success, it was well attended, and the students are absolutely well mannered and a great venue. We had our kindergarten and prek graduation yesterday and that went really well. Reminder to the board that we do have our retreat scheduled for July 8th with Mr. Payne who will be facilitating from 3pm-9pm in Ellicottville. Our next BOE meeting is July 13 at 6:30pm so note the earlier time because it is also the reorganization meeting. The five year financial plan and they've been working very diligently on that, so that presentation will happen in addition to our auditor, who will also be doing a training workshop as the board now will be the audit committee, so that will be happening all on the July meeting. Some things that we have been working on, is the 1st draft of the policy manual. I know the board is super excited to have the opportunity to go through these policies. In the first round we are doing more logistical internal corrections putting who is been responsible for what. In August Young and Wright will be here to review on the capital project. Jim Andreas will also be here who has been helping out with the facilities plan, and this is really going to be a primary focus on safety. Then in September Dan Amodeo and myself will be presenting the five-year academic plan, so we have a lot of incoming information for you. She ended her report by thanking outgoing board president Tim plotz for his service during he past fine years. Ploetz's board seat will be replaced by Amanda Lawrence at the district's next meeting set for July 13 in the annual reorganization meeting, where a new president will be selected. Unlike other board meeting, the reorganization meeting begins at 6:30pm and is followed by a regular meeting.

B. Principal, Daniel Amodeo stated that because of the emerging lifting of COVID-19 restrictions, that the June 26 high school graduation set for 1pm will now be held indoors and will be fashioned around past graduations, It will be close to a normal experience that they have experienced this year.

C. Business Official, Ann O'Brien explained the rationale behind a motion on the agenda to either transfer or return unused funds to various accounts. She also detailed creation of new fund accounts once all balances are settled in correlation with the end of the school year on June 30. Among those custodial funds detailed were those that involved payroll taxes, student activities and scholarships.

D. Director of Special Education, Shawna Gugino no report

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

none

X. PERSONNEL

A. Moved by Niesyty, seconded by Klahn to accept the resignation, of Olivia Burse from the full-time substitute teacher position (certified) and ISS facilitator positions, effective April 11, 2021. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Klahn, seconded by Chai to approve Olivia Burse as a long-term elementary substitute teacher, retroactive to April 12, 2021 through June 25, 2021, pay according to the WVCS/WVTA contract. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Harmony, seconded by Niesyty to approve Dana Lembke as the Cross-County coach for the 2021 season, starting August 23, 2021, pay according to the WVCS/WVTA contract. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

D. Moved by Harmony, seconded by Klahn to approve Girls' Volleyball, all levels, and Girls' Varsity Swim for the 2021 fall season, combining with Springville-Griffith Institute. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

E. Moved by Chai, seconded by Niesyty to approve the following summer enrichment programs.

*West Valley Science Camp for current 4th through 7th grades

*Summer Sports Camp current 6th -11th grades

*Elementary Summer Enrichment Camp for current kindergarten through 6th grades
5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

F. Moved by Chai, seconded by Klahn to approve Pat Connor to work in the Science Enrichment program for 4 weeks, two days per week, starting July 12th from 11am through 2pm, pay according to the WVCS/WVTA contract.
4 ayes, 1 nay (Harmony), motion accepted

G. Moved by Harmony, seconded by Niesyty to approve Bryan Hansen, Chris Schiumo and Rae Ann Lindberg to work in the Summer Sports Camp program starting July 13th through August 19th from 11am through 2pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays, pay according to the WVCS/WVTA contract. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

H. Moved by Chai, seconded by Klahn to approve Molly Bly, Jody Thiel and Katie Clouse to work in the Elementary Summer Enrichment Camp program starting July 12th through August 5th from 8am through 11am Monday through Thursday, pay according to the WVCS/WVTA contract. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

XI. OLD BUSINESS

none

XII: NEW BUSINESS

A. Moved by Harmony, seconded by Niesyty to approve the contract between County of Cattaraugus and West Valley Central School District for Independent Evaluations for Preschool Handicapped Children to commence July 1, 2021 and terminate June 30, 2022. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Klahn, seconded by Harmony to approve the contract between County of Cattaraugus and West Valley Central School District for Approved Preschool Special Education Related Services and Special Education Itinerant Services to commence July 1, 2021 and terminate June 30, 2022. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Harmony, seconded by Niesyty to approve the CSE recommendations. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

D. Moved by Harmony, seconded by Niesyty to approve the following:

RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the West Valley Central School District hereby authorizes and directs the following fund transfers:

1. Interfund Transfer to the Capital Fund from the General Fund, as budgeted, in the amount of \$100,000 for the 2020-2021 Capital Outlay Project

2. Interfund Transfer to the Cafeteria Fund from the General Fund as budgeted not to exceed \$20,000

3. Transfer of \$56,234.00 (2% of the total compensation or salaries of all teachers employed by the school District who are members of TRS paid during the immediately preceding fiscal year) from unassigned fund balance to the district's previously established TRS Retirement Contribution Reserve Fund

4. Return of the unused portion of the Tax Certiorari Reserve Fund in the amount of \$132,128.29 to the General Fund.

5. Transfer of \$30,870 from the unassigned fund balance to the District's previously established Retirement Contribution Fund (ERS)

6. Transfer of excess reserves over 4% to one or more of the following: Retirement Contribution Reserve Fund (ERS), Tax Certiorari Reserve Fund, and the Capital Reserve fund for transportation (exact amounts to be approved by the Board of Education, no later October 1, 2021).

5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

E. Moved by Harmony, seconded by Niesyty to approve a facility use request from Amanda Lawrence, for the summer recreation program to held here at school from July 6, 2021 through August 13, 2021 from 9am-noon, Monday through Friday.
5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

Moved by Harmony, seconded by Klahn to go into Executive session at 7:35pm for the following reasons:

*collective negotiation

*current litigations

*employment history of a particular person

5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

Moved by Harmony, seconded by Klahn to come out of Executive session at 9:15pm.
5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

XIII: Moved by Niesyty, seconded by Klahn to **ADJOURN** at 9:16pm
5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

District Clerk

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