

West Valley Central School Board Education

Official Minutes

Regular Meeting

November 4, 2019

Library-Media Center

Members Present: Niesyty, Harmony, Ploetz, Kent, Kowalski

Members Absent: Cizdziel, Samborski

Others Present: Lawton, O'Brien, Boberg, Amodeo, Bryan Hansen, Katie and Matthew Winsor, John Seltzer, Jody Thiel, Steve Kenworthy, Scott Payne, Springville Journal – Mark Jagord

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting was called to order at 7pm by Timothy Ploetz, Board of Education President presiding.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the UNITED STATES FLAG

III. Moved by Niesyty, seconded by Harmony to **ADOPT** the amended **AGENDA** as follows:

Additions: Personnel item (O) additional wording

Deletions: Personnel item (M) Leanna Pfeffer from motion

Changes: none

5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

IV. Correspondence/BOE information

Eric reported that he attended the NYSSBA conference in Rochester last Thursday and Friday. The law section of the conference was excellent, and copies of pertinent information were distributed to the board. He highly recommends the board attending this conference next year.

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.

Katie and Matthew Winsor were concerned that their child went on a field trip w/o the school sending a permission slip home.

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

*Discussion Point – technology – Bryan Hansen

He gave an overview of what teachers have in their classrooms for technology use. Student in grades 5-12 have laptops and grades 3rd and 4th use the (COW) computers on wheels, which holds 20 laptops. He would like the district to be on a 2 class a year rotation plan to replace student laptops. Servers last updated in 2008 then went virtual and have been updating every 4 years. Wiring closets are important because that is how the information connects to the outside world- last update in 2000. The following are current issues with what we have – servers on not secure, no more ports in the switches to add additional drops/equipment, phone calls are dropping in the building, and no easy access to parts for the racks. He recommends – rewiring the entire building to the latest cabling, new 4 post racks for the closets would allow the district to properly house equipment, new switches and push down equipment, reconfigure the server rooms with appropriate ventilation. What is exciting for staff and students here at West Valley is that there is access to Adobe Suite – Photoshop, Premiere, LightRoom, Dreamweaver, Acrobat DC, Office 365- Cloud based, Nearpod, Qware and 3D Printing. Cyber Security at WVCS – more cyber-attacks, Ransomware, Spear-phishing and Spam attacks – weekly reminders are sent to staff and students.

The board and administration thank Bryan Hansen for his very informative presentation.

VIII. REPORTS

A. Superintendent, Eric Lawton introduces Scott Payne the new CABOCES District Superintendent. He is visiting school districts and attending board meetings to familiarize himself with the districts and to communicate to them that he is here to help. The district has received 3 RFPs (response for proposals) and Eric will distribute them at the end of the meeting for the board to review. There is a motion on the agenda for a special meeting to be scheduled for the board to discuss and select one of the three proposals.

He recommended the board approve all motions on the agenda.

Mike Harmony asked if Eric could contact the original installer of the pole next to the playground and see if a protective fence covering could be installed around it.

Potential necessary projects for the school were discussed and the board asked him to contact Young and Wright to set up a meeting with Ann and myself about a capital project and a smart school bonds act.

B. Principal, Daniel Amodeo reported that the girls and boys running programs will be finishing up their all season as they make their final preparations for their 5k run. Congratulations to all their hard work and we are looking forward to the Spring program. During the winter months we will to providing a Boys Intramural Basketball program for students in grades 4-6 (girls program will start in January), an open gym day for students in grades 6-12 and an after-school fitness program. The after-school fitness program will more structured to the weight room by including an actual fitness program individual goal setting, weight lifting techniques and weight room safety.

C. Business Official, Ann O'Brien reported on cyber/data breach insurance coverage/risk management. She meets with our insurance agents each year to review our insurance coverage. One concern that she has is our current coverage for cyber/data breach. This would cover district costs such as credit monitoring, case management, and forensic costs. We also have coverage for cyber extortion. She has reached out to Utica for quotes on increased coverage.

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Moved by Harmony, seconded by Niesyty to approve the unofficial minutes from the October 7, 2019 regular meeting, July Treasurer's report, budget status, revenue status, extra classroom activities; July Warrants and July bank reconciliations and August, September and October budget transfers. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

X. PERSONNEL

A. Moved by Kent, seconded by Kowalski to accept the resignation, with regret, of Hannah Mazzuto from her appointed position of co senior class advisor and co senior class assistant, effective November 4, 2019. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Harmony, seconded by Kent to change Dana Lembke's appointment for this school year as co senior class advisor and co senior class assistant to senior class advisor, effective November 5, 2019, pay according to the WVCS/WVTA contract. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Niesyty, seconded by Harmony to appoint Meghan George-Baker as senior class assistant for the remainder of the 2019/2020 school year, effective November 5, 2019, pay according to the WVCS/WVTA contract. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

D. Moved by Kowalski, seconded by Kent to approve Rae Ann Lindberg as an intramural soccer coach for West Valley students, effective September 18, 2019, pay according to the WVCS/WVTA contract. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

E. Moved by Kent, seconded by Harmony to approve Aron Cole as an intramural soccer coach for West Valley students, effective September 18, 2019, pay according to the WVCS/WVTA contract. 5 ayes 0 nays, motion accepted

F. Moved by Harmony, seconded by Niesyty to approve Lisa Slisz as an hourly bus driver, effective October 30, 2019, pay according to the WVCS/WVSEA contract. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

G. Moved by Kowalski, seconded by Harmony to approve Bryan Hansen to the Public Relations Coordinator position for the remainder of the 2019/2020 school year, effective November 5, 2019. Pay is according to the Memorandum of Agreement between the West Valley Central School District and the West Valley Teachers' Association, approved October 7, 2019. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

H. Moved by Harmony, seconded by Niesyty to approve a substitute elementary after school program position on an as needed basis for the remainder of the 2019/2020 school year, rate of pay is \$20 per hour. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

I. Moved by Harmony, seconded by Kent to approve Molly Bly, Julie Baren, Loreen Butcher, Jackie Mumbach, Pat Rinko and Rae Ann Lindberg to be on the substitute list for the elementary after school program, effective November 5, 2019 through the end of the school year. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

J. Moved by Kowalski, seconded by Niesyty to approve \$16.50 per hour to be the rate of pay for the Community Library person for the 2019/2020 school year. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

K. Moved by Kowalski, seconded by Kent to approve Jackie Mumbach as the Girl's and Boys' Bowling coach for the winter season during the 2019/2020 school year, pay will be according to the WVCS/WVTA contract. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

L. Moved by Harmony, seconded by Niesyty to approve Intramural Open Gym days for West Valley students in grades 6-12 from 2:40-3:45pm on Mondays and/or other selected days throughout the 2019/2020 school year, pay will be according to the WVCS/WVTA contract. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

M. Moved by Niesyty, seconded by Kent to approve the following as supervisors for intramural open gym days for West Valley students in grades 6-12 from 2:40-3:45pm throughout the 2019/2020 school year, pay will be according to the WVCS/WVTA contract Section 4.2, 4.21 After School Intramurals; Dana Lembke, Pat Rinko, Chris Schiumo, ~~Leanna Pfeffer~~, Rae Ann Lindberg and Lindsey Drozd. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

N. Moved by Harmony, seconded by Niesyty to approve Boys' Intramural Basketball program from 2:40-3:45 for West Valley Students in grades 4-6 on Wednesdays beginning November 6, 2019 and ending on December 18, 2019, pay will be according to the WVCS/WVTA contract. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

O. Moved by Kent, seconded by Harmony to approve Bryan Hansen (**pending CPR training**) as the Boys' Intramural basketball coach from November 6 through December 18, 2019 and the following as substitutes for this program, pay will be according to the WVCS/WVTA contract Section 4.2, 4.21 After School Intramurals; Antonette Backert, Chris Schiumo, Rae Ann Lindberg 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

P. Moved by Harmony, seconded by Niesyty to approve an After-School Fitness program for students in grades 7-12 on Tuesday's and Thursdays from 2:40-3:45pm throughout the school year, pay will be according to the WVCS/WVTA contract 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

Q. Moved by Harmony, seconded by Kowalski to approve Chris Schiumo as the after-school fitness coach for students in grades 7-12 for the remainder of the 2019/2020 school year and Rae Ann Lindberg as the substitute for this program, pay will be according to the WVCS/WVTA contract Section 4.2, 4.21 weight room. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

XI. **OLD BUSINESS:**
none

XII: **NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Moved by Harmony, seconded by Niesyty to approve adding Barry Mahnk to the Emergency Management Team for the 2019/2020 school year. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Kowalski, seconded by Kent to approve CSE recommendations 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Kowalski, seconded by Niesyty to approve a 2nd late bus run for students that would like to participate in the school musical. The bus run would start January 7th and end on March 11th, Monday – Thursday and depart from school at 4:30pm. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

D. Moved by Harmony, seconded by Kowalski to approve the WVCS Organizational Plan for 2019/2020 school year. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

E. Moved by Harmony, seconded by Kowalski to approve the Agreement between the Town of Ashford and West Valley Central School for the Town Constables to be present in the school during the 2019/2020 school year.
5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

F. Moved by Niesyty, seconded by Harmony to add a special board of education meeting on November 14, 2019 at 6pm in the library conference room for a discussion on submitted efficiency study proposals. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

G. Moved by Harmony, seconded by Kent to approve the following **BOARD RESOLUTION;**

RATIFICATION OF CONTRACT

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the West Valley Central School District approves the funding and ratification of the terms negotiated between the West Valley Central School District and West Valley Service Employees Association. The Collective Bargaining Agreement will be effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2022. The Superintendent shall have authority on behalf of the Board of Education to acknowledge the agreement accordingly.

5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

XIII: Moved by Kowalski, seconded by Harmony to **ADJOURN** at 8:17pm
5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

District Clerk