

West Valley Central School Board Education

Official Minutes

Regular Meeting

May 13, 2019

Auditorium

Members Present: Niesyty, Harmony, Ploetz, Cizdziel, Kowalski, Samborski, Kazmierczak

Others Present: O'Brien, Amodeo, Lawton, Boberg, Max Borsuk – Springville Journal, John Seltzer, George Neudeck, Corrine Bryant, Skyler Bryant, Darla Kent, Krista Frank, Gus Werchowski, Rebecca Roland, Jim Boberg, Patty Kowalski, Orlando Perez, Brian Reed, Abby Proctor, Steve Howe

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting was called to order at 8:02 pm by Timothy Ploetz, Board of Education President presiding.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES FLAG

III. Moved by Samborski, seconded by Cizdziel to **ADOPT the **AGENDA**:**

Additions: Personnel item (E) Adam Kloepfer and Sarah Budde

Deletions: none

Changes: Personnel item (D) 2018 to 2019

7 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.

Orlando Perez spoke of concerns he that he has.

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. PRESENTATION

none

VIII. REPORTS

A. Superintendent, Eric Lawton reported on Richard Gerlach – board approved volunteer constable – he will not be cutting into the other constable’s time. Community day was a great success - he thanked everyone involved and a big thank you goes out to Bryan Hansen and Gerry Stead for coordinating and spear heading this annual event. The community participated in the schools electronics recycling for camp good days. We have 16 students signed up for summer driver education and will receive credit for successfully completed the course.

B. Principal, Daniel Amodeo reported that testing for 3-8 Math is finished and will be scored next week. 4th and 8th grade science performance tests will be administered on May 22nd and 23rd followed by the written test on June 3rd. Our district was also selected for field testing in the following areas: Global History, Earth Science, and Algebra II. These will be administered next week. We have a few more weeks before we conduct our final reading benchmarks for students in grades K-6. When these benchmarks are completed we will conduct our final RtI meetings of the year and determine students that would be recommend for Summer Reading. JCC College Courses - I have met with a couple of teachers regarding transitioning to JCC courses for next year. We will be applying to have a teacher approved for Psychology. Physics is offered every other year so we do not need to make the change at this time. Met with the Distance Learning Coordinator at BOCES a few weeks ago and she shared with me that Erie 2 BOCES, CABOCES, and JCC are working on putting such a program together to offer to students in both regions. This would make it difficult for West Valley to do its own program, regardless if all of our teachers were teaching JCC courses, because neighboring districts would utilize the BOCES pathway to receive aid back on the cost. We can still however, discuss with JCC the potential of being a satellite location for post-secondary students and adults looking to obtain college credits or degrees.

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Moved by Harmony, seconded by Niesyty to approve the unofficial minutes from the April 8, 2019 and April 16, 2019 regular meeting; February, March and April Treasurer's report, budget status, revenue status, extra classroom activities; February, March and April Warrants, February, March and April bank reconciliations and February, March and April budget transfers. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

X. PERSONNEL

A. Moved by Samborski, seconded by Kazmierczak to approve Marisah Croakman as a substitute teacher (uncertified) for the remainder of the 2018/2019 school year. Fingerprint clearance on file. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Samborski, seconded by Kowalski to approve Matthew Trimm as a substitute monitor and substitute cleaner for the remainder of the 2018/2019 school year, effective May 14, 2019, pay according to the WVCS/WVSEA contract. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Harmony, seconded by Niesyty to accept, with regret, the resignation of Michelle Enser from her elementary teacher position as of June 30, 2019 for the purpose of retirement. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

D. Moved by Samborski, seconded by Cizdziel to accept, with regret, the resignation of Kathleen Larsson from her nurse position as of June 30, 2018~~9~~ for the purpose of retirement. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

E. Moved by Samborski, seconded by Niesyty to approve Denise Lawton (Eric's wife), Adam Kloepfer (Allison's husband) and Sarah Budde as chaperones for the Junior/Senior prom on May 18th from 6-11 pm at Root 39 Event Center in Springville. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

Gary Niesyty stated that he had questions regarding the process of tenure and Mike Harmony said he did also. Eric Lawton suggested going into executive session to have that discussion.

Moved by Harmony, seconded by Niesyty to go into Executive session at 8:19pm for the purpose of tenure discussion. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

Moved by Harmony, seconded by Kazmierczak to come out of executive session at 8:35pm. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

F. Approved tenure teacher as follows:

Bryan Hansen

Resolved, that the Board of Education of West Valley Central School, **PURSUANT TO Section 3014** of the New York State Education Law and in compliance with Part 30.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and on motion of Kazmierczak and seconded by Cizdziel does hereby approve tenure status in the Elementary Education area for Bryan Hansen who holds a Professional New York State Certificate (control #840692142) Childhood Education (Grades 1-6) certificate permitting him to teach in the Elementary Education area, tenure effective September 3, 2019. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

G. Approved tenure as follows:

Shawna Gugino

Resolved, that the Board of Education of West Valley Central School, **PURSUANT TO Section 3014** of the New York State Education Law and in compliance with Part 30.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and on motion of Kowalski and seconded by Samborski does hereby approve tenure status in the Director of Special Education area for Shawna Gugino who holds a Professional New York State Certificate (control #740699131) School District Leader certificate permitting her to be the Director of Special Education, tenure effective July 1, 2019. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

H. Approved tenure teacher as follows:

Krista Frank

Resolved, that the Board of Education of West Valley Central School, **PURSUANT TO Section 3014** of the New York State Education Law and in compliance with Part 30.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and on motion of Kazmierczak and seconded by Kowalski does hereby approve tenure status in the Special Education area for Krista Frank who holds a Professional New York State Certificate (control #213986081) Special Education certificate permitting her to teach in the Special Education area, tenure effective September 18, 2019. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

I. Approved tenure teacher as follows:

Rebecca Roland

Resolved, that the Board of Education of West Valley Central School, **PURSUANT TO Section 3014** of the New York State Education Law and in compliance with Part 30.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and on motion of Kazmierczak and seconded by Cizdziel does hereby approve tenure status in the Elementary Education area for Rebecca Roland who holds a Professional New York State Certificate (control #1131807171) Elementary Education certificate permitting her to teach in the Elementary Education area, tenure effective September 22, 2019. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

XI. OLD BUSINESS:

none

XII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Moved by Kowalski, seconded by Harmony to approve the following;

**COOPERATIVE PURCHASING ANNUAL RESOLUTION OF
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

WHEREAS, It is the plan of a number of public school districts in Cattaraugus County and Allegany County, New York, to bid jointly for various supplies, commodities, and/or services in the 2019-2020 fiscal year, and

WHEREAS, The West Valley Central School District is desirous of participating with other school districts in Cattaraugus and Allegany Counties in the joint bidding of all or some of the supplies, commodities, and/or services as mentioned above, as authorized by General Municipal Law, Section 119-0, and as determined by district need, and

WHEREAS, The Board of Cooperative Educational Services and Boards of Education wish to appoint a committee to assume the responsibility for drafting of specifications, advertising for bids, accepting and opening bids, tabulating bids, reporting of the results to the Board of Cooperative Educational Services and Boards of Education and making recommendations thereon; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That the West Valley Central School Board of Education hereby appoints the Cattaraugus-Allegany-Erie-Wyoming Board of Cooperative Educational Services to represent it in all matters related above, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the West Valley Central School Board of Education authorizes the above mentioned committee to represent it in all matters leading up to the entering into a contract for the purchase of the above mentioned supplies, commodities, and/or services, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the West Valley Central School Board of Education agrees to assume its equitable share of the costs of the cooperative bidding, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the West Valley Central School Board of Education agrees (1) to abide by the majority decisions of the participating districts on quality standards; (2) that unless all bids are rejected, it will award contracts according to the recommendations of the committee; (3) that after award of contract(s) it will conduct all negotiations with the successful bidder(s).

7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Samborski, seconded by Kowalski to approve students to drive a *tractor* to school on June 7, 2019. Permission slips available in the main office and need to have the required signatures to permit participation. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Niesyty, seconded by Kazmierczak to approve offering Driver Education through BOCES to West Valley Central School students on the following days: July 2, 3, 8-12, 15-19, 22-26, 2019. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

XIII. Moved by Samborski, seconded by Cizdziel to **ADJOURN** the meeting at 8:41pm. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

District Clerk