

West Valley Central School Board of Education

Official Minutes

Regular Meeting

October 9, 2018

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

Absent: Kazmierczak, Amodeo

Others Present: Lawton, O'Brien, Boberg, Shawna Gugino, Gene Seville, Max Borsuk – Springville Journal, Ken Frank, Patty Kowalski, Loreen Butcher, Michelle Pfeffer, Dana Lembke, John Seltzer, Bob Conrad, Jackie Mumbach, Bryan Hansen

I. CALL to ORDER

The 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 Harmony, seconded by Samborski to ADOPT the amended AGENDA:

Additions: New Business item (I) town constables; Personnel item (B) teacher mentor

Deletions: none

Changes: none

6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

IV. Correspondence/BOE information

*Tim Ploetz stated that the Board of Education received an email from Heather Lafferty requesting that students who attend ECS and live within the WVCS school district who play a sport be able to ride the sports bus back to WVCS. As a taxpayer of West Valley she is not requesting an extra bus run, but the possibility to have transportation back to West Valley with the current bus schedule? He opened it for board discussion.

The state recognizes a public school providing transportation to nonpublic schools within a 15-mile radius but beyond that we do not have to. The state does not recognize public school to public school. Our insurance does not cover students that do not go to school here. The parents made a choice to enroll their children in another public school so we do not have any obligation to provide this service. It is the parents' choice to live within the district, pay taxes but send their children to another public school. The school district's insurance will not cover these students. The board directed Mr. Lawton to send an email response to Mrs. Lafferty letting her know the school district will not be transporting for the reasons discussed.

*Tim Ploetz stated that Mike Harmony has a building inspection report. Mike and Gary came into the building one evening to carry out their inspection of the building and found items that they wanted to discuss. Steve asked if administration knew that they were doing this and he stated no. Steve stated and Eric agreed that they should have set their visit up through him first. Eric stated that if Mike and Gary wanted to come in some time to discuss their concerns with him they could make an appointment.

*Steve Kowalski reported that on the September 27, he attended the Catt/Allegany dinner - Tim Cox and Tim Clark spoke of ESSA (Every Student Succeeds Act)

The upcoming events scheduled for Allegany Cattaraugus Association of School Boards:
November 29 Meet and greet ... new school board member training along with a refresher for ACASB delegates

December 9 Legislative Breakfast

February 29 Delegates Business meeting

March 28 spring dinner with program

Let Carolyn know and she will register you. He highly recommends November 29 for new board members. Even though you are scheduled to do the on-line mandated training, this in person training is also worth attending.

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.

none

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, Eric Lawton reports that this school year is the last year of the 4-year sports merger with Ellicottville. It has to be decided what we will do for sports starting next year. He sent an email to Pioneer, Franklinville, Ellicottville and Springville to ask if interested in a sports merger. He heard from Springville that they were interested. A meeting was set up with their superintendent, athletic director, business official, principal, our athletic director, and himself. He also let the board know that he reached out again to Bob Miller from Ellicottville and he is going to get back to him after their board meeting on October 9. He has not heard back from Pioneer or Franklinville. The board has directed him to follow up with Ellicottville and Springville.

Board retreat was canceled on October 22, will reschedule.

Dan is absent and Eric went over the student survey completed this year for sports.

Chris Baker will be here on November 9 to provide instruction to our staff regarding our safety plan.

B. Principal, Dan Amodeo report - absent

C. Business Official, Ann O'Brien

1. Ken Frank – RA Mercer Company gave the External Audit Report

2. Bob Conrad Representative of the External Audit Committee gave a report and recommended the board accept the external audit. The audit committee consists of Bob Conrad, Charles Pfeffer and Jim Boberg.

Moved by Harmony, seconded by Samborski to accept the External Audit as presented by Ken Frank and recommended by Bob Conrad of the Audit committee.

6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Moved by Niesyty, seconded by Samborski to approve the unofficial minutes from the August 27, 2018 regular meeting and September 10, 2018 regular meeting.

6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

X. PERSONNEL

A. Moved by Samborski, seconded by Cizdziel to approve Allison Spencer as the Professional Partner for Sarah Budde for the 2018/2019 school year, pay is according to the WVCS/WVTA contract – Appendix Q. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Harmony, seconded by Cizdziel to approve Leanna Pfeffer as a teacher mentor for Zachary Gelen for the 2018/19 school year. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

XI. OLD BUSINESS:

none

XII. NEW BUSINESS:

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

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

1. \$468,908.91 from the District's unassigned fund balance to the Capital Reserve Fund

2. \$79,232 from the District's unassigned fund balance to the Worker's Compensation Reserve Fund

3. \$30,870 from the District's unassigned fund balance to the Retirement Contribution Reserve Fund; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the fund transfers set forth above shall be deemed effective June 30, 2018, and that the Superintendent shall be authorized to undertake all actions necessary to implement the intent an operation of this resolution.

6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Samborski, seconded by Niesyty to approve a facility use request from Michelle Enser to use the library for PTO meetings on October 11th and November 14th from 6:45-7:45pm, approximately 15 participants. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Harmony, seconded by Niesyty to approve a facility use request from Michelle Enser to use the elementary library for PTO meetings on December 13th and January 23rd from 2:45 -3:45pm, approximately 15 participants. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

D. Moved by Cizdziel, seconded by Kowalski to approve the senior class and advisors to plan for a senior trip. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

E. Moved by Harmony, seconded by Samborski to surplus the following outdated football equipment:

Shoulder pads

(3) small and (4) XL (reconditioned 2007)

(1) XXL (reconditioned 2008)

(5) small, (8) medium, (4) large, (1) XL, (1) XXL (reconditioned 2010)

(1) medium, (1) large, (2) XL and (1) XXL (not reconditioned)

Helmets

(5) medium, (27) large and (4) XL (reconditioned 2010)

(1) large box – rib protectors, (1) large Box – collar pads, (1) box – face masks,

(1) large box – knee, thigh, and girdle pads and football hangers

Football uniforms

Gold pants, white jerseys and purple jerseys

6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

F. Moved by Samborski, seconded by Kowalski to approve the CSE recommendations. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

G. Moved by Samborski, seconded by Niesyty 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. The contract will commence July 1, 2018 and terminate June 30, 2019.

6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

H. Moved by Samborski, seconded by Harmony to approve the Revised Version of the 2018/2019 District Code of Conduct. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

I. Moved by Samborski, seconded by Kowalski to authorize WVCS Superintendent to enter into an Agreement between town Of Ashford and West Valley Central School District for Town Constables to be present in and around the school for security purposes only.

6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

XIII. Moved by Kowalski, seconded by Niesyty to **ADJOURN** the meeting at 8:17pm.
6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

District Clerk