

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Regular Meeting

May 7, 2018

auditorium

Members Present: Kazmierczak, Cizdziel, Kowalski, Jackson-McCarty, Ploetz, Samborski

Others Present: Lawton, Amodeo, O'Brien, Boberg, Max Borsuk – Springville Journal, Amy Butler, Gary Niesyty, Steve Wedvik, Phyllis and Chuck Couture, Elizabeth Densmore, Shawna Gugino, Mike Harmony

I. CALL TO ORDER

Regular Meeting called to order at 7:58 pm with Kowalski presiding.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the UNITED STATES FLAG

III. Moved by Cizdziel, seconded by Jackson-McCarty to **ADOPT** the amended **AGENDA**.

Additions: NB item (F) donated book

Deletions: none

Changes: none

6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

IV. Correspondence/BOE information

Eric Lawton announced that Dr. Silky will present their findings from the Pre-Annexation study on Monday May 21 at 7pm. Steve Kowalski stated that the Boys on the right track and Girls on the run programs have been very successful this year at West Valley.

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 school procedures, policies, budget.....

A sign in sheet is located next to tonight's meeting agenda. Please print your name, address and indicate if you would like to address the board by printing yes or no. Before the meeting starts, the sign-in sheet is collected and the Board President will recognize those that have indicated addressing the board during the Public Comments section of the agenda. You will be called in order, state your name and address. We ask that individual comments be limited to a few minutes in order to accomplish the evening's agenda. This is a community comment section not a back and forth conversation between the community and board.

Those items brought to the attention of the Board during this time may be taken under consideration for future response or action. We respectfully ask that issues related to specific school district personnel or student(s) be brought to the attention of Eric Lawton, Superintendent (extension 4101 or elawton@wvalley.org) or Daniel Amodeo, Principal (extension 4106 or damodeo@wvalley.org) privately.

Public comments listed below:

*Elizabeth Densmore asked how many students are enrolled in the school. Dan Amodeo answered 240.

*Steve Wedvik stated he seen pictures of students in the back of a pickup truck driving from a home by the 240-fire hall to the cemetery on Community Day - this is a concern. He wants to know what kind of discipline will happen to the school employees that allowed this. Steve Kowalski stated that the board is aware of the situation and being handled.

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

VII. PRESENTATIONS

none

VIII. REPORTS

A. Superintendent, Eric Lawton reports on the success of another Community Day this year. Students and staff helped residents, churches, cemeteries, businesses and organizations with spring jobs like raking and picking up sticks in yards, mulching, planting flowerbeds, painting, etc. Throughout the day, he heard a lot of good feedback from the students and staff, many who wanted to keep going or have more Community Days. Students like working with their peers and teachers. It is nice that we have different grade levels working together. He thanked the event organizers Bryan Hansen and Gerry Stead for all their hard work and continuing the work with students to help better West Valley. There were 17 different projects in the community with different families that were completed.

Attended the NHS Banquet and three West Valley students received monetary scholarships.

WVCS/WVTA negotiations have started and representatives from both sides will meet on May 10

He recommends approving items on tonight's agenda.

B. Principal, Daniel Amodeo reports that the scoring of the 3-8 assessments is finishing up over the next few days.

*Last week Mrs. Martin took our Houghton English class to Shea's to view Phantom of the Opera. This is a co-curricular activity in which the students will complete assignments around this show and other class materials that have been read.

*Mrs. Lindberg took nearly 20 female athletes to the Women in Sports Day at St. Bonaventure. The keynote was Mary Wilson, wife of deceased Ralph Wilson Jr. (former owner of the Buffalo Bills) donated 1.8 million dollars to this initiative. Almost 20 school districts were present for this event with student-athletes participating in workshops throughout the day and had opportunities for collaborating with their peers.

*K-2 students were able to view a Merry-Go-Round performance this week. It was very engaging and students thoroughly enjoyed the performance and the message.

*He thanked Mr. Hansen and Mr. Stead for their hard work on planning our 3rd Community Day event on Monday, May 7.

C. Business Official, Ann O'Brien – no report

X. PERSONNEL

A. Moved by Samborski, seconded by Jackson-McCarty to accept the resignation of Marc Gentner from his substitute bus driver position as of May 8, 2018.
6 aye, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Cizdziel to accept the resignation of Mary Green from her hourly bus driver position as of May 8, 2018.
6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Samborski, seconded by Jackson-McCarty to approve Mary Green as a substitute bus driver for the remainder of the 2017/2018 school year.
6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

D. Moved by Cizdziel, seconded by Jackson-McCarty to accept the resignation of Joshua Howe from his substitute cleaner position as of April 23, 2018.
6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

XI. OLD BUSINESS:

none

XII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Moved by Cizdziel, seconded by Samborski to approve CSE recommendations. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Samborski, seconded by Jackson-McCarty to approve a facility use request from Michelle Enser to use the library on Thursday, May 10 at 7pm for a PTO meeting. Approximately 12 participants. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Cizdziel, seconded by Jackson-McCarty to approve a facility use request from Jennifer Neumann to use the auditorium on Wednesday, June 6 from 6-8pm for the Girl Scouts of WNY Court of Awards Ceremony. Approximately 40 participants. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

D. Moved by Samborski, seconded by Jackson-McCarty to approve a facility use request from Cheryl Bernhoff to use the cafeteria, kitchen and rest rooms on Thursday, July 5 or Friday, July 6 at 1pm until ? to set up and Saturday, July 7 from 4-10pm for the West Valley Alumni Banquet, 40-80 participants. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

E. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Cizdziel to approve a Memorandum of Agreement between the West Valley Central School District and the West Valley Service Employees Association to set the starting wage for the Head Cleaner position at eighteen dollars and seventy-five cents (\$18.75) per hour. The agreement is effective May 7, 2018. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

F. Moved by Samborski, seconded by Jackson-McCarty to accept the following book donations from the West Valley Teachers Association:
**H is for Hook in memory of Patrick Culver (Lisa Green's father)*
**Cows of the Farm in memory of Donald Hauri (Jeanne Ford's father)*
**New York Yankees Then and Now in memory of Michael Magnano (Lil Lechner's Father)*
**Tanker Truck in memory of George Hess (Bonnie Hess's Husband)*

The following book donation in honor of Bryan Hansen from Dana Westfall
**Love of Baseball*

6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

G. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Cizdziel to approve students to drive a tractor to school day on June 8, 2018. Permission slips available in the main office and need to have the required signatures to permit participation. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

H. Moved by Samborski, seconded by Jackson-McCarty to accept a Veteran's research paper by William P. O'Brien, in honor of West Valley Veterans who perished while serving our country. It is available in the school library. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

I. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Cizdziel to approve filling the following positions for the summer of 2018, at minimum wage: (1) person to work in the technology department and up to (3) people to work in the building and grounds department. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

XIII: Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Cizdziel to **ADJOURN** at 8:34 pm
6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

District Clerk