

## OFFICIAL MINUTES

**Regular Meeting**

**November 13, 2017**

**library conference room**

Members Present: Frank, Kowalski, Kazmierczak, Ploetz, Jackson-McCarty - arrived at 7:20pm

Absent: Samborski, Cizdziel

Others Present: Amodeo, Lawton, O'Brien, Boberg, Max Borsuk – Springville Journal, Jodi Thiel, Lisa Proctor, Abbey Proctor, EJ Thiel, Haven Ford

### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

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

### **II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the UNITED STATES FLAG**

### **III. ADOPT AGENDA**

Moved by Kazmierczak, seconded by Frank to approve the agenda as is:

Additions: none

Deletions: none

Changes: none

4 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.*

EJ Thiel would like to address the board regarding transportation. There are four students participating in indoor track at Springville High School at this point. At the Board of Education regular meeting on December 5, 2016, it was approved that if the number of West Valley student athletes was not 5 or more, transportation will not be provided. The students would like to know if the BOE would change their decision to four. After discussion, the board decided to keep the number at 5 and update BOE policy #7420. They do not want to set a precedent by changing it to less than five. The board thanked them for coming to the meeting. It is not that they do not want see our students participate, but they have to draw the line somewhere.

**VI. PRESENTATIONS**

none

**VII. REPORTS**

A. Superintendent, Eric Lawton reported that he invited the Ellicottville Board of Education to attend our Board meeting to address any questions regarding the Pre-Annexation Study. He also sent them the list of questions that Dr. Silky is asking to have compiled and a copy of Dr. Silky's proposal. He had a meeting with Kim Moritz, Superintendent of Springville, Dr. Silky and consultants at Springville School today. At the CSO meeting with Joe Giglio and Cathy Young, it was discussed what the impact of the proposed federal budget would be on New York State. If we cannot get them to change the proposed federal income tax, it would be devastating to New York residents. There is a fear that Wall Street could move its location out of NYC and this would create a large hole in the budget. The state is also looking at a 4 billion dollar deficit in the budget this year and as of yet we are not sure what programs will be affected. It was also discussed the duplication of forms that districts have to fill out for state and federal. Eighteen states have the state send the information directly to the federal government so they are not repeating the effort. The Governor has threatened to force out any school district from the health consortium with less than 100 employees. This would be disastrous for us as a small district. We would have to go out into the open market to get our health insurance and our costs would sky rocket. Eric was able to discuss with them that the Pilot we receive has not increased since 1996. He is on a committee with Charlie Davis and John A. Pfeffer to continue pushing the Federal Government to recognize the importance of getting the pilot increased and to provide Impact Aid to the town and school district. Over 90% of the waste is from Federal sources. He met with Charlie Davis regarding the Town possibly helping us with the roads to the field and to the grove. This would be in exchange for the use of our well and their access to it. He said that he would get back to me on the best way to get this done. Veterans Day breakfast was a very nice event. Community Veterans were invited and classes provided the following: placemats, banners, cards, baked goods, songs and a poem. Thank you to everyone that helped make the breakfast very special for the men and women that served our country.

B. Principal, Daniel Amodeo stated that flyers would go home for students in grades 3-6 as an initial sign up for an intramural soccer season. Mrs. Lindberg has taken the lead on coordinating this program. Would like to run a soccer season from December 5 to January 25 and then a basketball season from approximately the first week of February to the end of March. An after school weight room program is offered for two days per week, one day for 7-8 graders and one day for 9-12. Supervisors will be AED/CPR certified.

Boys on the Right Track and Girls on the Run programs are complete for the season. The feedback that we have received from families and students has been extremely positive. We have also received many inquiries and requests regarding the continuation of these programs in the spring season. We had 15 student participants for the Girls on the Run and 14 for the Boys on the Right Track and if additional students want to join in the spring, we might have to hire another coach.

Bryan Hansen and Jody Thiel attended the TCIF at CA BOCES on Thursday, November 9. This is a regular meeting for Technology Coordinators. Jody Thiel presented our Maker Space at WVCS to CA BOCES district. Jody facilitated the funding of our Maker Space through a program called Donors Choose. The STEAM and design thinking that Jody is infusing into the Library program was exemplified in the student videos we viewed at our last Board meeting. We are extremely proud of the work of our students and the leadership Jody is providing to take our program to the next level. Chess club has 15 student participants, very exciting. Sarah Sheffield made area All State for Band.

C. Business Official, Ann O'Brien reviewed a revised copy of the Financial Reserve Plan Document. She explained different reserves accounts available, reserve accounts that we have and how much money is in those reserve accounts. There are advantages of having these accounts, to keep the tax rate stabilized and to maintain or improve the district's bond rating, which saves money for the taxpayers.

Finance manager is the software we use to maintain the District's accounting, payroll, and human resource records. The software is purchased through Erie 1 BOCES Finance Manager has upgraded the software to nVision. We will be transferring over to the new system in February.

#### VIII. **CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Frank to approve the unofficial minutes for the October 16, 2017 regular meeting, unofficial minutes for the October 26 2017 special meeting, July Treasurer's reports, budget status, revenue status, extra classroom activities, July Warrants and July Bank Reconciliations and August budget transfers. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

#### IV. **PERSONNEL**

A. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Frank to approve Kaela Jacobs as a substitute teacher (uncertified) for the remainder of the 2017/18 school year. Fingerprint clearance is on file. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

X. **OLD BUSINESS:**

none

XI: **NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Moved by Kazmierczak, second by Jackson-McCarty to approve an Intramural soccer program for 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> grades on Tuesdays and 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grades on Thursdays. Program will start on December 5 and end on January 25 2018. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Kazmierczak, seconded by Frank to approve Mrs. Rae Ann Lindberg and Mr. Patrick Connor as Intramural coaches for the 3-6 grade Intramural Soccer Program to start on December 5 and end on January 25 2018. Pay according to the WVCS/WVTA contract. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Kazmierczak to approve an after school weight room program for students in grades 7-12. The program will operate a minimum of two days per week but may be increased dependent upon student participation. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

D. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Ploetz to approve Mrs. Rae Ann Lindberg, Mrs. Meghan George Baker, Mrs. Jackie Mumbach and Mr. Ryan Winchip as after-school weight room supervisors. Pay is according to the MOA between WVCS and WVTA dated 11/18/2016. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

E. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Kazmierczak to approve CSE recommendations. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

F. Moved by Frank, seconded by Kazmierczak to create the position of Director of Facilities I. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

G. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Kazmierczak to approve the long-range reserve document. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

H. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Ploetz to approve a facility use request from Amy Butler, PTO representative for up to 50 participants to use the gym and boys and girls locker room on March 2, 2018 from 6-7:30pm for fun night for grades 9-12. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

I. Moved by Kazmierczak, seconded by Jackson-McCarty to approve a facility use request from Michelle Enser, PTO representative for up to 80 participants to use the gym, hallway bathrooms, cafeteria, auditorium and library on January 19, 2018 from 6-7:30pm for fun night for grades PreK-5. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

J. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Kazmierczak to approve a facility use request from Amy Butler, PTO representative for up to 40 participants to use the gym and boys and girls locker room on November 17, 2017 from 6-7:30pm for fun night for grades 6-8. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

XII: Moved by Kazmierczak, seconded by Jackson-McCarty to **ADJOURN** at 8:13pm. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted.

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District Clerk