

## OFFICIAL MINUTES

**Regular Meeting**

**April 3, 2017**

**library conference room**

Members Present: Cizdziel, Ploetz, Frank, Fleischman, Kazmierczak, Jackson-McCarty  
Others Present: Lawton, O'Brien, Boberg, Amodeo, Max Borsuk-Springville Journal,  
Amy Butler  
Absent: Kowalski

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

Regular Meeting called to order at 7p.m. with Kimberly Cizdziel presiding.

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

III. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Frank to **ADOPT AGENDA** as is:

Additions: none

Deletions: none

Changes: none

6 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.*

No public comments

### **VI. PRESENTATIONS**

none

VII. **REPORTS**

A. Superintendent, Eric Lawton read an email from Lynda Quick-The state budget remained in a stalemate through the weekend with little activity. There are budget extenders being reviewed by both houses at this moment that may be acted upon this afternoon to keep the state operating until May 31. The extenders are loaded with Medicaid language and protections being proposed by Governor, through March 2020, the implications of which could be significant. At the CSO meeting, there is a push to the REGENTS to ease the burden of Middle School requirements beginning with Home & Careers. Many districts are having difficulty getting certified teachers. They will then look at all graduation requirements. They are thinking of going back to one diploma with different endorsements for school year 2018/19.

They also had a long discussion on the lack of educational leadership in our counties. The neighboring BOCES has a recruitment program set up with their local colleges and provides time and coursework to get leaders into programs. Our BOCES is proposing a similar program. It would require a \$2,000 investment and could go through BOCES to get aid.

Senior citizen breakfast on Friday April 21, RSVP by April 19 to Carolyn Boberg.

BOCES calendar for next year is set. He has spoken with Dan Amodeo and the teachers; he feels our calendar should be pretty much the same as BOCES.

County Board of elections has proposed to school districts that the pay for election workers be consistent with the rate of pay that they have established.

There is a need for executive session to discuss a time off request of a WVSEA member.

There will be another motion to surplus gym equipment on the next agenda.

Gerry Stead and Bryan Hansen have spent a lot of time so far organizing Community Day; he thanked them and the faculty support.

B. Principal, Daniel Amodeo reported that 3-8 ELA Assessments were administered. As of right now, our refusal rate is 29%. This may change based on students who have been absent during the 3 days of testing and the first make-up date. We have seen a steady decline over the last three years with the number of refusals and this year marks the lowest in the last three years. There seems to be a trend at WVCS and across the state that the higher number of refusals are coming from grades 6-8.

We have heard back from Utica regarding our students driving to practices or games. It was suggested that we have an acknowledgement form to inform parents that the school is providing transportation and include an informed consent to allow their children to drive to a practice or home game. We will need to discuss whether students can transport other students. Utica is looking at their forms to see if they have anything that we can use.

Matt LaBrake finished student course requests for next year. There may be some new classes that can be offered next year.

C. Business Official, Ann O'Brien provided copies of the third draft of the budget. Discussion on the transportation and undistributed section of the budget. Currently there is a budget gap of \$92,475. As of today, we are not hearing any news regarding an additional increase in state aid. To get us to a 0% increase in the tax levy, she recommended that we appropriate additional fund balance with the intent of using it. This gap will not go away and will follow us into the 18/19 school year budgeting process. Depending on 18/19 state aid, retirements and special education costs we may need to look at a tax increase and/or budget reductions. We can use the appropriations as a stopgap measure as we gain more information as to how funding will be impacted the state and federal level. Based on previous discussions by the Board regarding a study she is proposing to include an additional \$15,000 in the budget for a pre-annexation study. She would also propose that we appropriate \$15,000 from fund balance to pay for the study. Cafeteria bid will go out at the end of this school year.

**VIII. CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Fleischman to approve the Unofficial minutes from the March 6, 2017 regular meeting, February Treasurer's reports, budget status, revenue status, extra classroom activities, February Warrants and February Bank Reconciliations. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

**IV. PERSONNEL**

A. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Ploetz to accept the resignation of Polly McCauley, with regret, from her position as Special Education teacher for the purpose of retirement, effective June 30, 2017. Eric Lawton thanked Polly McCauley for her years of service.  
6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

**X. OLD BUSINESS:**  
none

**XI: NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Fleischman to approve the CSE Recommendations. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Frank to make a motion that the West Valley Central School District approves the proposed basis of service charges of the Cattaraugus-Allegany-Erie-Wyoming BOCES for the 2017-18 fiscal year.  
6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Fleischman to approve the following list of items as surplus:  
(1) Rockwell planer 2hp, model 62-175, (3) Hydro-Pro pressurized water tanks, model V350 serial #GJ0810, (4) 82 gallon H2 Pro Contact tanks, model H2PLS80D, (7)

various size outdated pole vault mats. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

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D. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Frank to surplus several library books (list attached to the official minutes in book) from our current catalog due to the new circulation system. This is a recommendation of BOCES and using the Texas MUSTIE standards. The majority of the books have never been checked out of the library, in disrepair or in poor condition.

6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

E. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Fleischman to approve a facility use request by Cheryl Bernhoft for the WVCS Alumni Association to use the cafeteria, kitchen, rest rooms and south foyer on Saturday July 8, 2017 from 4pm through 10pm for 60-80 participants. On either Thursday or Friday before the event they will need to come into building for set up. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

F. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Frank to approve a facility use request by Michelle Enser for the PTO to hold a Middle School Gym night on Friday April 21, 2017 from 6-7:30pm in the gymnasium. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

G. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Ploetz to approve setting the rate of \$12.50 per hour for election inspectors and voter registration workers for the 2017 budget vote.

6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted.

Moved by Frank, seconded by Jackson-McCarty to make a motion to go into Executive session at 8:06pm to discuss personnel leave. There will be no business afterwards.

6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted.

Moved by Frank, seconded by Jackson-McCarty to make a motion to come out of Executive session at 8:29pm. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

XII: Moved by Frank, seconded by Jackson-McCarty to **ADJOURN** the meeting at 8:31pm.

6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

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District Clerk