

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES

Regular Meeting

March 6, 2017

library conference room

Members Present: Kowalski, Cizdziel, Ploetz, Frank, Fleischman, Kazmierczak, Jackson-McCarty

Others Present: O'Brien, Boberg, Amodeo, Max Borsuk-Springville Journal, Amy Butler, Orlando Perez, Art Munson, Bob Harrington, Shawna Gugino, Brian Johnson

Absent: Lawton

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the UNITED STATES FLAG

III. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Frank to ADOPT the following changed AGENDA:

Additions: NB item (H) Inter-Municipal Cooperative Agreement for water testing
NB item (I) surplus stainless steel milk cooler

Deletions: none

Changes: none

7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

IV. Correspondence/BOE information

Steve Kowalski mentioned that Eric, Ann and himself attended the legislative breakfast in Cuba Saturday morning, Joe Giglio and Cathy Young presented to the group.

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 comment

VI. PRESENTATIONS

none

VII. REPORTS

A. Superintendent, Eric Lawton, at a conference in Albany. Ann O'Brien summarized his written report. This year West Valley has had the privilege to once again participate in the annual Angelo Melaro Writing Contest with 16 other districts. Four students, one from each high school grade, the following were nominated to compete: 9th – Sylvania Ford-Grover; 10th - Aaron Schenne; 11th - MacKenzie Czapl and 12th – EmmaLea Erlandson. These four students accompanied Mrs. Martin to a luncheon/awards banquet this Thursday March 2nd and took 4th place as a team.

B. Principal, Daniel Amodeo reported that last Friday and Saturday night our students presented the junior musical Peter Pan - the students did a wonderful job. High School students have requested and put in a proposal for a new afterschool activity. They have proposed an "Anime" club for middle and high school students. Anime is an artistic/writing genre that is based upon Japanese drawn or computer generated animation. It has become very popular among students throughout the United States. Students propose to meet weekly in a room with a large screen, table space, and computers. Students will view Japanese cartoons, read, draw, create short animations/story boards, expand foreign language, knowledge, and expand knowledge of Japanese culture. We already have a staff member interested in supervising this activity. Depending on student interest and involvement throughout the remainder of the year. This may become an extracurricular club.

We have been providing transportation for athletes to and from games and practices. We have found that a couple of students have been driving to practice or games on occasion. Our current policy for athletic transportation is that we will provide it but it is not required for students to use it. When traveling to games the students must ride to the game with their team on the bus but may use other means of transportation from the game back home. The board discussed this and they asked that Ann check with our insurance carrier for any foreseeable problems.

On March 28-30, the 3-8 ELA tests will be administered.

C. Business Official, Ann O'Brien reported that on the agenda is a motion for BOCES Annual Cooperation Purchasing Resolution. This allows the district to take advantage of purchasing cooperatively with BOCES and our component Districts. With the Town of Ashford taking over the water well, Charlie Davis has asked Bill Sloand to continue testing the well until the Town can transfer the duties over to its employees. They have a couple of highway department employees who are in the process of getting their license to test the water. Once they pass the water operator test they will have to work under a licensed operator (Bill) for six months. The district will initially pay Bill for these services and the district will bill the town.

Ann supplied the board with a copy of the tax levy limit calculation that was submitted to the NYS Comptroller prior to March 1.

The district is in need of purchasing a 65-passenger bus, caravan and car. Our transportation aid ratio is at 76%. The debt service for this purchase would be included

in the 2018/19 school budget. The increase in the budget needed would be approximately \$30,000 for five years. Net local share would be approximately \$7,200 per year for five years. Since we fell off our replacement schedule last year our transportation aid will be reduced this year. Transportation aid is received in the year after the expense occurs. To smooth out the impact of adding the debt service in 2018/19 we could use fund balance to support the aidable portion of the bus. Ann asked Bob Harrington to explain the condition of the vehicles that need replacing. The full size school bus will replace bus #83, 2006 model and will have approximately 110,000 miles on the odometer by the end of the year. The mileage is not excessive for the chasis but the body on a bus of this age and from this region will begin to deteriorate to the point of requiring extensive repairs to the sub-structure results in excessive/long term down time and could additionally require subcontracting. Replace a 2009 Chevrolet Impala that will have approximately 125,000 miles on it by the fall. The vehicle inspection expires May 30, 2017 and it will not go through another full inspection that will take it through another six months of service. Replace a 2011 Dodge Caravan that will have about the same mileage as the Impala, by the fall. This vehicle is problematic, especially with drive train components.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Frank to approve the unofficial minutes from the February 6, 2017 regular meeting, November, December and January Treasurer's reports, budget status, revenue status, extra classroom activities, November, December and January Warrants and November, December and January Bank Reconciliations. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Cizdziel to vote on B – G policy changes as one motion:

B. Approved the **second and final reading** of the Board Policy "School Safety Plans" #5681 revised under the Students section of the Policy Manual.

C. Approved the **second and final reading** of the Board Policy "Fire and Emergency Drills, Bomb threats and Bus Emergency Drills" #5683 revised under the Students section of the Policy Manual.

D. Approved the **second and final reading** of the Board Policy "Education of Homeless Children and youth" #7131 revised under the Students section of the Policy Manual.

E. Approved the **second and final reading** of the Board Policy "Dignity for all Students" #7550 revised under the Students section of the Policy Manual

F. Approved the **second and final reading** of the Board Policy "Hazing of Students" #7553 revised under the Students section of the Policy Manual.

G. Approved the **second and final reading** of the Board Policy "Instruction for English Language Learners" #8280 revised under the Instruction section of the Policy Manual.

7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

IV. PERSONNEL

A. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Fleischman to approve Mary Anderson as a substitute teacher (certified) for the remainder of the 2016-17 school year. Fingerprint clearance is on file. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Cizdziel, seconded by Jackson-McCarty to approve the resignation of Kathleen Vacanti and Kelly Noto from the shared position of Freshman Class advisor effective February 10, 2017. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Frank, seconded by Jackson-McCarty to approve Dana Lembke and Hannah Mazzuto as the co-Freshman class advisors effective March 7, 2017 for the remainder of the 2016/2017 school year, stipend is according to the WVCS/WVTA contract and shared equally. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

D. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Cizdziel to accept the resignation of Marylou Forster, with regret, from her position as Spanish teacher for the purpose of retirement, effective June 30, 2017. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

E. Moved by Cizdziel, seconded by Jackson-McCarty to approve Amy Butler as elementary volleyball after school intramurals program facilitator on March 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th from 6:30-7:30pm in the gym. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

F. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Frank to approve Connie Zybert as a substitute bus driver, effective March 3, 2017. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

G. Moved by Fleischman, seconded by Frank to approve Connie Zybert as a 1.0 FTE salaried bus driver, effective March 7, 2017. Pay and benefits will be according to the WVCS/WVSEA contract. 7 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. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Frank, seconded by Cizdziel to approve the following test kits as surplus: *Wechsler Abbreviated Scale of Intelligence (WASI) ISBN #9780158981536 dated 1999, *Wechsler Intelligence Scale for children, Fourth Edition (WISC-IV) ISBN #9780158979182 dated 2003,

*Adaptive Behavior Assessment System, Second Edition (ABAS-II) ISBN #9780123735867 dated 2003, *Behavior Assessment System for Children, Second Edition (BASC-2) ISBN #9780979065828 dated 2008, *Woodcock Johnson Tests of Achievement, Third Edition (WJ-III) ISBN #9780782955866 dated 2001

7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Frank, seconded by Jackson-McCarty to approve the following list as surplus:

(1)Sharp electronic calculator model # SD095057, (1) Boston electric pencil sharpener model #1730 -broken, (1) Boston electric pencil sharpener model #18 -broken, (1) X-Acto electric pencil sharpener model #179xCN -broken, (1) Boston electric pencil sharpener model #21 -broken, (1) X-Acto electric pencil sharpener model #1921X - broken. Items will be recycled.

7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

D. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Cizdziel to approve the West Valley Board of Education to include the purchase of (1) 65 passenger school bus – 2017 IC Bus Model - PB105 at a cost not to exceed \$107,444 this would replace bus #83 which is a 2006 model; (1) 2017 Chevrolet Impala at a cost not to exceed \$20,714 this would replace a 2009 Chevrolet Impala; (1) 2017 Dodge Caravan at a cost not to exceed \$21,022 this would replace a 2011 Dodge Caravan as part of its annual budget vote.

7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

E. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Fleischman to approve West Valley Central School students and teacher volunteers to participate in a Community Service Day on May 5 with a rain date of May 12, 2017.

7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

F. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Cizdziel to accept the highest bids for the following surplus items:

wood book stand - \$5, ONAN Generator 10kw model #10CCKB/4R/12B w/transfer switch model #053020 - \$50, 5' x 3' oak desk - \$50, 4 ½ x 2 ½ wood table - \$5, deep fryer item #004251 - \$30,

7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

G. Moved by Frank, seconded by Jackson-McCarty 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 2017-2018 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

H. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Fleischman to approve the Inter-Municipal Cooperative Agreement for water testing between the West Valley Central School district and the Town of Ashford. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

I. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Frank to approve (1) stainless steel milk cooler item #004237 as surplus. This item has been serviced twice and is still broken. X 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

XII: Moved by Frank, seconded by Jackson-McCarty to **ADJOURN** at 8:10pm

District Clerk