

## OFFICIAL MINUTES

**Regular Meeting**

**November 7, 2016**

**library conference room**

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

Absent: Frank

Others Present: Amodeo, Lawton, O'Brien, Boberg, Amy Butler, Max Borsuk-Springville Journal, Shawna Gugino

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

Regular Meeting called to order at 7:02pm with Kowalski presiding.

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

Steve Kowalski called for a moment of silence for Bill Stock graduate of WV and Springville student Alyssa Hearn who passed away.

### **III. ADOPT AGENDA**

Additions: NB item (I) facility use request

Deletions: none

Changes: none

6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

### **IV. Correspondence/BOE information**

Eric Lawton presented the board of education members with an appreciation gift and thanked them for their time, effort and volunteer service for our school.

He received an invitation stating - On behalf of the many partners engaged with the Cattaraugus County Healthy Livable Community Consortium, West Valley Central School will be recognized for its efforts to create greater inclusion in our county and communities on November 8<sup>th</sup> at Jamestown Community College. He will attend the reception and accept the recognition for our school.

He received a letter from Mary Jo Carroll who is campaigning on Dyslexia Awareness. She states that the New York State Legislature, - New York State Senate passed – Establishing a pilot program to provide early screening and intervention services for children with risk factors for dyslexia. This particular bill still has to pass the State Assembly. A second bill is presently in Committee in both houses of the State Legislature. This would require the certification on training of teachers, administrators and instructors in the area of dyslexia and related disorders. She would like the school to send a letter of support to our respective legislator and ask them to vote in favor of these two bills.

This week he has asked our students and staff to wear pink and purple on Wednesday for support of the family and friends of Alyssa Hearn. To wear red, white and blue for our Veterans on Thursday.

**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.*

Amy Butler also thanked the board of education members for their time and volunteering. A gift of appreciation was given to each member.

**VI. PRESENTATIONS**

none

**VII. REPORTS**

A. Superintendent, Eric Lawton reported the excellent School Board Conference that he attended in Buffalo. The presentations were very informative, open meeting law and foil requests were addressed. He highly recommends that the board members attend next year.

The majority of the building project construction is complete. We have a punch list for each phase of the project to complete - Bill, Ashley and he walked around to address any concerns. The only remaining areas are the rescue window from the former band room, the fencing near the playground, the bleachers and some odds and ends.

On the agenda are policy changes that he will review if needed at the time of motion. He is recommending an athletic bus run driver for the school year, Patrick Conner as the Lego League coach, facility use requests, surplus items, outstanding balances from previous classes and move those balances to the Student Council account and a book donation.

B. Principal, Daniel Amodeo reports that the Springville Journal contacted us regarding our Lego League and Odyssey of the Mind programs. We shared the details about the programs with them, student participation and student response. They also came out to take some pictures of our students in action. This should be in this week's Springville Journal. Our students led by Mr. Hansen competed in an Academic Challenge event this past week. We won vs Westfield 101-44. Congratulations to Cody Keller, EJ Thiel, Sarah Sheffield, Aaron Schenne, Haven Ford and Kelsey Chai who make up our team. Our next contest is vs. Jamestown on November 16<sup>th</sup>.

We put an email out to staff regarding supervising the weight room after school from 2:45-3:45pm. Three staff members have already responded and he anticipates a few more. The criteria would be to have PE, Health, or Coaching certificate with the addition of AED/CPR training. Once we know how many staff we have available and the number of students we can determine how many and what days the weight room will be open. Senior Privilege: Early Release – is at times provided to juniors and seniors and for a number of reasons including work, good attendance, academics, behavior, etc. 6-12 student did an outstanding job with their first performance of the year on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. The groups played a total of seven pieces and the National Anthem to start off the concert. The presentation of the stage and the lighting makes a huge difference for our performers and audience.

C. Business Official, Ann O'Brien reported on inactive student activity accounts from the Class of 2015 and Class of 2016. She attended the New York State Association of School Business Officials Leadership Conference. Nick Silvaroli from Pioneer and I represented the Cattaraugus Allegany Chapter as Co-Presidents. The conference was hosted and paid for by NYSASBO. The conference was beneficial in that it provided an opportunity for chapter leaders to share information.

#### VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Cizdziel to approve the unofficial minutes from the September 19, 2016 special meeting, June, July and August Treasurer's reports, budget status, revenue status, extra classroom activities, June, July and August Warrants, July and August Bank Reconciliations and budget transfers 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

**Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Fleischman to vote on letters B – L policy changes as one motion:**

B. Approved the **first reading** of the Board Policy "Business of the Annual District Election" #1611 revised under the By-Laws section of the Policy Manual.

C. Approved the **first reading** of the Board Policy "Visitors to the School" #3210 revised under the Community Relations section of the Policy Manual.

D. Approved the **first reading** of the Board Policy "Use of Service Animals" #3215 revised under the Community Relations section of the Policy Manual.

E. Approved the **first reading** of the Board Policy "Public Expression at Meetings" #3220 revised under the Community Relations section of the Policy Manual

F. Approved the **first reading** of the Board Policy "Procurement of Goods and Services" #5411 revised under the Non-Instructional/Business Operations section of the Policy Manual.

G. Approved the **first reading** of the Board Policy "Facilities, Inspection, Operation, and Maintenance" #5630 revised under the Non-Instructional/Business Operations section of the Policy Manual.

H. Approved the **first reading** of the Board Policy "Data Networks and Security Access" #5674 revised under the Non-Instructional/Business Operations section of the Policy Manual.

I. Approved the **first reading** of the Board Policy "Transportation of Students" #5730 revised under the Non-Instructional /Business Operations section of the Policy Manual

J. Approved the **first reading** of the Board Policy "Graduation Options/Early Graduation/Accelerated Programs" #7220 revised under the Students section of the Policy Manual.

K. Approved the **first reading** of the Board Policy "Family and Medical Leave Act" #6551 revised under the Personnel section of the Policy Manual.

L. Approved the **first reading** of the Board Policy "Prevention Instruction" #8211 revised under the Instruction section of the Policy Manual.

6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

#### IV. **PERSONNEL**

A. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Ploetz to approve Mary Green as an hourly bus driver, assigned to the Ellicottville Sports run. Pay and benefits according the WVCS/WVSEA contract. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Cizdziel to approve the resignation of Leanna Pfeffer from the position of Lego League Coach, effective October 7, 2016. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Kowalski to approve Patrick Connor as the Lego League Coach, effective October 8, 2016, stipend according to the WVCS/WVTA contract. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

D. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Fleischman to appoint Diane Westfall as the Professional Partner for Alicia Castro during the 2016/17 school year. Pay is according to the WVCS/WVTA contract. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

**X. OLD BUSINESS:**

none

**XI: NEW BUSINESS:**

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

B. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Kowalski to approve a facility use request from Tracy Ploetz for the 4-H Clever Clovers, up to 20 people, to hold meetings in the library, cafeteria or Home and Career room during the month of November through June 20, 2017 after school while staff is here. When dates are known she will call the district to check availability. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Fleischman to approve a facility use request from Crystal Meppen for a group of 6-8 community members to use the Gym or Auditorium, whichever is available, evenings during the week while staff is here. When dates are known she will call the district to check availability. Waivers will be signed by participants. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

D. Moved by Ploetz, seconded by Jackson-McCarty to surplus the following items:

- (1) Small steel desk item #004152
- (1) Large steel desk item #004166
- (1) Deep fryer item #004251
- (1) Book stand
- (1) 4 ½' x 2 ½' table
- (1) 5' x 3' oak desk
- (1) ONAN Generator 10kw model #10CCKB/4R/12B w/ transfer switch model #053020

6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

E. Moved by Ploetz, seconded by Jackson-McCarty to approve the residents of West Valley to use the building to walk the hallways for exercise from 3pm to 4pm Monday through Friday when school is in session. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

F. Moved by Cizdziel, seconded by Jackson-McCarty to close out the Class of 2015 and the Class of 2016 student activity accounts and transfer the balance of \$59.87 from the Class of 2015 and the balance of \$739.34 from the Class of 2016 to the Student Council account. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

G. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Cizdziel to accept a book donation to the school library in memory of Nate Howe, from Steve Howe's Family, the book is titled "The Action Bible" A remembrance bookplate will be placed in the front of the book. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

H. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Cizdziel to approve a Memorandum of Agreement between the WVCS and the WVTA to the following amendment to the Collective Bargaining Agreement dated July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2018 as follows:  
The title will be Lego League Coach and the payment will be the same as the OM Coach, per team.

6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

I. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Cizdziel to approve a facility use request from Mike Frascella to use the gym for AYI on Wednesdays starting November 16<sup>th</sup> until the end of the school year. 10-20 student participants. Copy of insurance on file. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted.

Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Cizdziel to go into Executive session at 7:51pm for special education student enrollment, litigation and personnel. No business will be done after executive session. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

Moved by Kazmierczak, seconded by Fleischman to come out of Executive session at 8:43pm. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

XII: Moved by Kazmierczak, seconded by Fleischman to **ADJOURN** at 8:44pm. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted.

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District Clerk