

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Regular Meeting

September 12, 2016

library conference room

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

Absent: none

Others Present: Amodeo, Lawton, O'Brien, Boberg, Beth Roy, Mary Lou Forster, Kim Lewis, Rae Ann Lindberg, Michelle Enser, Michelle Pfeffer, Diane Westfall, Jackie Mumbach, Patrick Connor, Molly Bly Polly McCauley, Kathy Vacanti, Deb Brown, Lisa Green, Katie Clouse, Meghan George-Baker, Amy Butler, Kathie Larsson, Patricia and Nick Kowalski, Jim and Stephen Howe, Brett and Lisa Proctor, Rachel Herbert, Donna Gerlach, Kyle Woodin, Susan Munson, Shawn Lafferty, Darrin Shanley, Leanna Pfeffer, Dennis McCauley, Bill Koch, John Seltzer, Jackie and Terry Little, Kelly Philipps, Orlando Perez, Greg and Beth Bock, John Zerfas, Travis Tingue, Linda Lund, Scott and Tracy Summers, Jason and Michele Smith, Steve Wedvik, Michael and Kum Gerwitz, Marie Mahnk, Shannon and Corey Klahn, Tim Frank, R. Bishop, Lesley Durandetto, Ashley Auman, Robert Green, Tom Seltzer, Emily Hopkins, Kelly Noto, Mark Pfeffer Scott Vanbusik

I. CALL TO ORDER

Regular Meeting called to order at 7:04pm with Kowalski presiding.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the UNITED STATES FLAG

III. ADOPT AGENDA

Kowalski announced that on this agenda at the top of agenda, under next meeting it states October 3rd. The BOE will be having a Special BOE meeting on September 19th at 7pm in the library conference room.

Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Cizdziel to approve the amended agenda as listed below:

Additions: NB item (H) facility use form, NB (I) donation

Deletions: none

Changes: none

7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

IV. CORRESPONDENCE/BOE INFORMATION

The West Valley Central School District has received information concerning Principal Daniel Amodeo and an incident that occurred earlier this year involving a conviction for a driving offense in Pennsylvania. While this is a personnel matter that we are not at liberty to discuss publically, we fully understand the gravity of the situation, as does Mr.

Amodeo. As we review this matter further, the Board's priority will remain focused on the safety and well-being of our students.

Please keep in mind that we are not permitted to discuss this situation in public. If information is discussed publically and it is not accurate or could be considered libelous, we would be opening the district up to a lawsuit. We do not want to do that. We will not allow anyone else to do that either. So please refrain from discussing this topic in the public discussion part of our meeting. If you do we will ask you to refrain, and could ask you to leave. The Board will continue to explore our options this evening in executive session. We require additional information and discussion to come up with the best solution for our district. Please be patient. As soon as we have come to a solution, we will share as much as we are able with the community.

Steve Kowalski reminded the board to notify Carolyn if they want to register for the fall Cattaraugus/Allegany meeting or NYSSBA convention in Buffalo.

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.

Scott Van Buskirk states that he is looking forward to the results of a pre-merger study. Would like to know where and how the district is moving forward.

Shawn Lafferty would like to make sure that the district has policies on Drug usage and Pre hire drug study for staff; How does the district reprimand students for drug usage in school? Shouldn't staff be held accountable? Oath of Office to hold position; will this situation will be sent to the State?

VI. PRESENTATIONS

none

VII. REPORTS

A. Superintendent, Eric Lawton reported that on the agenda there are a few personnel items for approval; advisors, bus driver, dispatcher, substitute bus driver and accepting resignations. Received school supply donations from Lynnette Ponton and Love Inc. Students and staff had a great first day of school. All teachers and students

participated in a September 11th moment of silence recognizing the Americans that lost their lives from a terrorist attack.

B. Principal, Daniel Amodeo reported on opening day. Mr. Kowalski and Mr. Lawton welcomed back the staff with great enthusiasm. Mr. Lawton led the staff in an activity that introduced our new staff, had staff share many positive and humorous experiences, and really bond together as a family. He had a faculty meeting to discuss some practices and procedures for the year that will benefit our students and school. Mr. Howe led our required school safety training. To cap it off teachers had a few hours in the afternoon to prepare for students the next day.

C. Business Official, Ann O'Brien reported on the 2nd easement agreement with the Town of Ashford. There are three easements. One is for access to the water well and supply, one is for the water line utility and pump house, and one is for what is called the influence area. An audit committee meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, September 15th at 8am. We will be reviewing our excess revenues over expenditures in order to make a recommendation to the Board regarding reserve accounts.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Moved by Frank, seconded by Jackson-McCarty to approve the unofficial minutes from the August 1, 2016 regular meeting and August 22, 2016 regular meeting with the following amendment: under Personnel item (E). change the end date of Rachel Braun as the long term substitute for Hannah Mazzuto from December 6th to December 9th, 2016. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

IV. PERSONNEL

A. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Cizdziel to approve the resignation of Ryan Keem from the position of academic challenge advisor, effective August 22, 2016. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Cizdziel to approve the following Extra-Curricular Activity **Advisors and Assistants for the 2016/2017 school year**, stipend according to the WVCS/WVTA contract:

*Academic Challenge advisor	Bryan Hansen
*Assistant Musical Director	Allison Spencer
*International Connections advisor	Kimberly Lewis

7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Frank to accept the resignation of Leanne Pfeffer, with regret, from her position as a Salaried Bus Driver, effective September 7, 2016 and Dispatcher, effective September 16, 2016.
7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

D. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconder by Ploetz to accept the resignation of John Janora, with regret, from his position as a Social Studies teacher, effective on or before October 8, 2016. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

E. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Cizdziel to appoint Amy Butler as the teacher mentor for Rebecca Adamchick during the 2016/17 school year. Pay is according to the WVCS/WVTA contract. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

F. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Fleischman to appoint Mary Lou Forster as the teacher mentor for Dana Lembke during the 2016/17 school year. Pay is according to the WVCS/WVTA contract. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

G. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Cizdziel to appoint Meghan George-Baker as the Professional Partner for Patrick Connor during the 2016/17 school year. Pay is according to the WVCS/WVTA contract. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

H. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Fleischman to appoint Leanna Pfeffer as the Professional Partner for Kelly Pirson during the 2016/17 school year. Pay is according to the WVCS/WVTA contract. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

I. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Frank to approve Ryan Winchip as an assistant coach for the 2016-17 fall season school year. Pay is according to the WVCS/WVTA contract. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

J. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Fleischman to approve Glenn Ramsey as a 1.0 FTE salaried bus driver, effective August 26, 2016. Pay and benefits will be according to the WVCS/WVSEA contract. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

K. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Cizdziel to approve Robert Guenther as a substitute bus driver, effective September 8, 2016. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

L. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Fleischman to approve Cheryl Gentner as dispatcher at a rate of \$12.97 per hour, effective September 12, 2016. Benefits 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 Ploetz to accept a donation of school supplies from Lynnette Ponton for our students to use. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Cizdziel to accept a donation of school supplies from Love Inc. of Springville for our students to use.
7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Fleischman to add a resolution to approve Security Financial Resources, Inc. as a 403(b) provider.
7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

D. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Frank to approve the following as surplus:(20) Communities adventures in time and place textbooks ISBN -0 02-148823-1/McGraw Hill. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

E. Moved by Cizdziel, seconded by Jackson-McCarty to approve a facility use request by Michele Sundeen to hold Zumba Instructor Training in the gym on Saturday September 17th from 8am through 8pm. Michele has provided a copy of insurance with West Valley Central School District as a rider and she has been notified and agreed to the cost of using the facility due to the contingent budget.
7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

F. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Frank to approve a facility use request by Leanna Pfeffer for the PTO to hold the following meetings in the library on September 15th at 3pm, October 20th at 7pm, November 15th @3pm and December 15th @7pm, for up to 20 people. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

G. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Fleischman to approve the water well access and supply/water line utility and pump house/influence area easement and agreement with the Town of Ashford.
After the discussion section of this motion, the BOE moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Fleischman will **TABLE** the motion until the next BOE meeting, more information is necessary.
7 ayes, 0 nays, motion to table accepted

H. Moved by Frank, seconded by Jackson-McCarty to approve a facility use by Jennifer Neuman for Girl Scout Troop #10381 to use the school front parking lot on October 31, 2016 from 5:30-7:30pm for Trunk or Treat activity.
7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

I. Moved by Kazmierczak, seconded by Frank to accept the classic portrait of the "First Down" in memory of our beloved teacher and coach, Keith T. Young, donated by Bill and Shirley Green. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

Moved by Jackson-McCarty, seconded by Cizdziel to go into Executive session at 8pm for the purpose of a personal. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

Moved by Frank, seconded by Jackson-McCarty to come out of Executive session at 9:03pm. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

XII: Moved by Kazmierczak, seconded by Frank to **ADJOURN** at 9:05pm
7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

District Clerk