

## OFFICIAL MINUTES

**Regular Meeting**

**June 23, 2015**

**library conference room**

Members Present: Frascella, McCauley, Jim Boberg, Jackson-McCarty

Absent: Frank, Fleischman, Kazmierczak,

Others Present: Lawton, O'Brien, Boberg, Springville Journal-Max Borsuk, Amy Butler, Ashley Irby and family, Brittney Noto and family, Jodi, Amber Thiel and family, Chuck and Phyllis Couture, Jordan Seltzer and family, Cameron McLeod and family, Patricia Rinko, Ilene Simon

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

Regular Meeting called to order at 7:05pm with Frascella presiding.

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

**III. Adopt agenda section of agenda was moved until after presentations due to only having 3 boe members present at the start of meeting.**

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

none

### **V. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

none

### **VI. PRESENTATIONS**

#### *Wildcat Way Above and Beyond Award*

Eric Lawton, Superintendent, Michael Frascella and Teaseleman Jackson-McCarty Board of Education members presented awards to the following recipients:

#### *Top 5 Seniors*

*\*Cameron McLeod* daughter of Melissa Keller and Scott McLeod, is fifth in her class with a weighted average of 98.35%. She has completed sequences in Math, English, Science, and Spanish. She has taken college level courses through JCC including Microcomputer Applications Personal Finance, Accounting Fundamentals, Complementary Economic Problems, English 1510, English 1530, Calculus 1, and Introduction to Business. She has also completed college level courses through GCC including Physics 121 and Psychology 101. Cameron is currently the vice president of the National Honor Society. She has been a member of the International Connections Club, Yearbook Club, Toastmasters, Ski Club, and the Mentoring and Service Learning Program. She has been a member of the High School Concert and Marching Band all four years of high school. She was also a member of the jazz band her sophomore year. She is a Scholar Athlete who has participated in Varsity Track and Field for three years, and Varsity Basketball for two years. Cameron was on the Varsity Soccer team for three years, two in which she was captain of. She is a three year member of the Trap Shooting team. In the fall, Cameron will continue her studies at Hilbert College pursuing a degree in Psychology.

**Jim Boberg entered the meeting at 7:15pm**

\**Ashley Irby*, daughter of Steve and Belinda Irby, is fourth in her class with a weighted average of 98.44%. She has completed sequences in Math, English, Science and Spanish. She has completed Accounting Fundamentals as well as Calculus and Analytic Geometry I and II, Contemporary Economic Problems, English Composition I and II, Introduction to Business, Personal Finance and Web Publishing through JCC. She has also completed physics through GCC. Ashley has been a member of SADD/reality Check and participated in "bald for Bucks." She has had many works of art placed on display at the Regina A. Quick Center for the Arts at St Bonaventure University as well as the Center for the Arts at the University of Buffalo. Ashley has been accepted as a Presidential Scholar to the University of Albany. She will attend the University of Albany in the fall where she plans to earn a degree in Atmospheric Science.

\**Amber Thiel*, daughter of Dave and Jody Thiel, is third in her class with a weighted average of 98.52%. She has completed sequences in Math, English, Science and Spanish. Her college level courses through JCC and GCC include Accounting Fundamentals, Personal Finance, English Composition I, English Composition II, Web Publishing, Microcomputer Applications, Contemporary Economic Problems, Calculus I and Physics. Amber is currently President of National Honor Society and International Connections Club. She also involved in many clubs like mentoring, yearbook, marching band, and concert band. She is active in West Valley's athletic programs including Varsity soccer, Wildcat mascot, and the track and field scorer. She received the will to win award in soccer this year. Amber's artwork has been displayed at Saint Bonaventure's juried art show for two years now. In the fall, Amber will continue her studies at Niagara University pursuing a degree in marketing and communications.

\**Brittney Noto*, daughter of John and Kelly Noto is our Salutatorian for 2015 with a weighted average of 98.73%. She has finished sequences in Math, Science, Spanish and English. Throughout her time at West Valley, she has completed several college courses through JCC and one college course through GCC including: Personal Finance, Web Publishing, Accounting Fundamentals, Micro Computer Applications, Contemporary Economics, English 1510, English 1530 and Physics. In the summer of 2014, she completed a Public Speaking college course at the Arcade GCC campus. Along with being involved in her academics, she was also involved in several school extracurricular activities. She was a member of the NJHS chapter for 1 year, NHS chapter for 2 years. Toastmasters Club for 3 years along with being the club's President for 2 years, Mentoring and Service Learning for 1 year, and International Connections Club for 2 years. In 2012, Brittney was a finalist for the Theodore Roosevelt speech competition at the Theodore Roosevelt Inaugural Site in Buffalo, NY. She has also played Varsity Volleyball for 2 years and Varsity Soccer for 2 years. Brittany has been a member of the Eric County 4-H for 3 years. Upward Bound for 2 years and has had a job milking cows for 3 ½ years on her uncles farm. Brittney will be attending SUNY Morrisville in the fall where she will pursue a Bachelor's degree in Agricultural Business and a minor in Dairy Science

\**Jordan Seltzer*, daughter of Jenn and Tom Seltzer, is the Valedictorian of the Class of 2015 with a weighted average of 100.43%. She has completed sequences in Math, English, Science, and Spanish. She has taken several Jamestown Community College and Genesee Community College courses offered at West Valley including Microsoft Computer Applications, Calculus I, Calculus II, Accounting and Fundamentals, Economics, Personal Finance, Web Publishing, English Composition 1510, Composition 1530, Introduction to Business, Government, and Physics. Jordan was a member of the National Junior Honor Society as a freshman and has been a member of National Honor Society since her sophomore year. Jordan was a member of Student Council and Yearbook her entire high school career and International Connections club since freshman year. She has also been her class's president since freshman year. Throughout high school Jordan has been a member of the school band and marching band since seventh grade. She played soccer, basketball and has run track for six years along with bowling her sophomore year. Jordan will be attending Alfred State College in the fall to earn a degree in Business Administration.

### *Community Members*

*\*Chuck and Phyllis Couture*, who have successfully run a business here in town for 45 years. They have also been on the Chamber of Commerce for many years and have made many donations to the town including most recently flowers for the beds beneath the welcome to West Valley signs. They also serve on the Farm Bureau and Phyllis is a national representative. Over the years they have promoted and supported our community.

### *Staff*

*\*Ilene Simon*, received the postal carrier award, as an inscription on the James Farley post Office in New York City reads: neither snow nor rain nor heat nor gloom of night stays these couriers from the swift completion of their appointed rounds. She was selected for this award based on the fact that she looked at the weather situation and arranged to find a place to stay during the November storm so that she would not be snowed in at home and could still be here for our children.

*\*Pat Rinko*, who is not only an excellent Pre-K teacher and an active member of our faculty who constantly volunteers her time to make our students school experience more meaningful and fun. But she without hesitation reacted to a student turning blue and performed the Heimlich maneuver. The parents could not say enough about how grateful they were for her actions of saving their child.

*\*Jodi Thiel*, for not only working in our school daily and raising two amazing successful children but for doing what each of us hopes that we would do in a time of crisis. One of her colleagues was choking and she performed the Heimlich maneuver and possibly saved her life.

### **III. ADOPT AGENDA**

Moved by Jackson-McCarty, Seconded by McCauley to approve the amended agenda:

Additions: NB (J) CSE recommendations, NB (K) surplus health books and VHS tapes

Deletions: none

Changes: NB (F) and 2015 graduates

4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

### **VII. REPORTS**

A. Superintendent, Eric Lawton reports that we cannot charge tuition if we operate our own Summer School Program or participate in a BOCES Summer School program. Young and Wright architects will be coming to a July meeting for an update on the project. We are still in the hopper for approval and it could take some time for the state to approve. Congratulations to the 2015 seniors and Thank you to Leanna Pfeffer for a great Kindergarten graduation.

B. Principal, Daniel Amodeo no report

C. Business Official, Ann O'Brien discussed the resolutions regarding the excess fund balance. Audit Committee meeting will be taking place soon.

**VIII. CONSENT AGENDA**

none

**IV. PERSONNEL**

A. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, Seconded by McCauley to approve Doris Calkins as a substitute cleaner and substitute monitor, effective June 24, 2015. Fingerprint clearance is on file. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Jackson-McCarty to approve Marisah Croakman, WV student, as a summer helper to work in the cleaning department, effective July 6, 2015. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, Seconded by McCauley to approve Patrick Enser as a summer helper to work in the technology/computer department, effective July 6, 2015, pending fingerprint approval. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

D. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Boberg to approve Kathy Vacanti as the WVCS summer reading program teacher. The program will run for four days per week, Monday through Thursday from 9-11am beginning July 7 through July 31, 2015, pay as stated in the WVCS/WVTA contract, section 4.14(b) for summer instructional work. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

**X. OLD BUSINESS:**

none

**XI. NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, Seconded by McCauley to approve extending the Community Library to run on Wednesdays from 6-8pm starting July 1<sup>st</sup> through September 2<sup>nd</sup>. Then return to the original hours of 6-7:30pm starting September 9<sup>th</sup>. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, Seconded by McCauley to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the West Valley Central School District and the West Valley Teachers' Association to provide a one-time waiver of Article 5, Section 5.19(b). For the 2015-2016 school year only, the work year will begin before Labor Day. Two Superintendent Conference Days will be scheduled as work days on September 2, 2015 and September 3, 2015. All other provisions of the agreement remain in full force and effect. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, Seconded by McCauley to approve the West Valley Central School Emergency Safety Plan for the 2015/2016 school year.

4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

D. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Boberg to approve the following list of student edition textbooks as surplus:

\*14 copies of student edition of Marketing Essentials ISBN: 978-0-07-895312-5

\*26 copies of MLA Handbook for Writers of Research (outdated)

\*33 copies of *To Kill a Mockingbird* (in disrepair)

\*4 copies of *Lord of the Flies* (in disrepair)

\*2 copies of *The Stage and the School* (outdated)

4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

E. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, Seconded by Boberg to approve participating in a BOCES summer school program. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

F. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Frascella to approve offering Driver Education to West Valley Central School students and 2015 graduates during the 2015 summer. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

G. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Boberg to approve the **first reading** of the Board Policy "Sports and the Athletic Program" #7420 required under the Students section of the Policy Manual. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

H. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Boberg to transfer any excess revenue over expenditures for the year ending June 30, 2015 to the Retirement Contribution Reserve, Workers Compensation Reserve, or the Capital Reserve for the purpose of funding future obligations, as recommended by the Superintendent.

4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

I. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Boberg to transfer any excess Unemployment Reserves, as identified by the Board of Education, to the Capital Reserve Fund. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

J. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, Seconded by Frascella to approve CSE recommendations. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

K. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Boberg to approve the surplus of VHS tapes (list attached) and the following Health books:

- (2) Glencoe health ISBN: 0-07-821367-3
- (1) Prentice Hall Health Skills for Wellness ISBN: 0-13-721028-0
- (2) Prentice Hall Health Choosing wellness Teacher Addition ISBN: 0-13-385949-5
- (1) Merrill Health Focus on You ISBN: 0-675-03258-X
- (1) Merrill Health A Wellness Approach ISBN: 0-675-06344-2

4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

**XII.** Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Boberg to **ADJOURN** at 8:04pm.  
4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

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District Clerk