

## OFFICIAL MINUTES

**Regular Meeting**

**February 10, 2014**

**Library Conference room**

Members Present: Frank, Kazmierczak, Fleischman, Frascella, Rogers, McCauley (via video conference)

Members Absent: Jackson-McCarty

Others Present: Lawton, O'Brien, Amodeo, Boberg, Kay Conrad, Denise Wheeler, Charlie Davis, Kris Fuller, Amy Butler, Deb Randall, Springville Journal, Cathie Nason, Gary Feldman, Bob Harrington, Cheryl Henry, Jerry Wright

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

Regular Meeting called to order at 8:11pm with Frascella presiding.

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

**III.** Moved by Frank, Seconded by Rogers to **ADOPT** the amended agenda

**Additions** –NB item (E) WV athletes join Pioneer-field hockey. Personnel item (F) open gym for WV softball and baseball athletes

**Deletions** –none

**Changes** – none

6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

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

none

### **V. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Kay Conrad spoke with Catharine Young on common core concerns, finances, pilot for demonstration – the bill was introduced for increased funding but voted down, Catharine Young will reintroduce the bill. Kay feels that she will follow through.

### **VI. PRESENTATIONS**

Jerry Wright and Cheryl Henry presented on the priority list for a possible building project. An updated list was handed out to the Board of Education members. The board will look over and let Eric know their opinions.

**VII. REPORTS**

A. Superintendent, Eric Lawton presented on a second successful meeting about the future of our athletics at West Valley. The committee had great discussion about 5 options for the district and the positives and negatives of each. The committee will have a follow-up meeting on February 27<sup>th</sup>. The committee will report their findings back to the board in March.

Congratulations to Nicole Falkner and her students for receiving a rank of Excellent in the Literacy magazine called Thunderous Whispers in the 2013 NCTE Program. He attended the Catt-LV All-County concert which was very nice and our students did very well. BOCES just approved their 2014/2015 school calendar. - We will generally be following the same calendar. Lynn Rogers would like administration to look at the ½ days for 2014-2015 school calendar she has heard some concerns from parents regarding the difficulty in day care.

B. Principal, Daniel Amodeo presented on the January regents exams. The weather caused some difficulty but the district was able to bring the students in. If a student does not take the scheduled January regents the next time they can take it would be in June. He recognized Mrs. Falkner and her students for all of their hard work in preparing for the Comprehensive English Regents. We have submitted a material change to NYSED in regards to the formula used to calculate the Local Measure of Effectiveness in our APPR plan. This was a negotiated change and impacts teachers in grades K-8. The change is necessary due to the change in formula the state will use to calculate a school's Performance index in ELA and Math. Although NYSED may not have data for us to use for our formula we have included a method of determining student performance levels with local level data. The students will have the School Musical on February 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. Senior Basketball games are on Tuesday and Wednesday nights this week

C. Business Official, Ann O'Brien reported on Veteran's Exemption that she received additional information regarding the legislation that was passed. The district has options at this point and they are as follows: \*Hold a public hearing and adopt a resolution on February 24<sup>th</sup> to offer some form of the exemption effective in 2014-2015. \*Make a decision not to offer the exemption. \*Hold a public hearing at some point in the near future and adopt a resolution to offer some form of the exemption to be effective in the 2015-2016 school year. \* Hold a public hearing, attempt to gauge public opinion on the issue with some type of poll, and then consider the question of whether or not the District will offer the exemption starting in 2015-2016. The board of education decided to hold off and do an exit poll at the time of the budget. The board wants to know the opinion of the public on this topic.

Ann asked Bob Harrington and Gary Feldman to discuss the impact of possibly going down from 6 regular runs to 5 regular runs. They both agreed that the time on the bus for students would increase by approximately 15-20 minutes both morning and afternoon for a total of 30-40 minutes more. If we were to eliminate a run our buses

would have to do more back tracking. They also discussed the disadvantages of purchasing a small bus instead of a large bus.

**VIII. CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Moved by Fleischman, Seconded by Frank to approve the unofficial Board of Education minutes from January 27, 2014 regular meeting.  
6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

**IV. PERSONNEL**

A. Moved by Fleischman, Seconded by Frank to accept, with regret, the resignation of Derek Houser from the position of half-time social studies teacher, effective after the completion of thirty days from this notice, which is March 5, 2014.  
6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Kazmierczak, Seconded by Frascella to approve Bonnie Frank as a substitute clerical for the remainder of the 2013/2014 school year. Fingerprint clearance is complete and on file. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Frank, Seconded by McCauley to approve Troy Smith as a substitute teacher for the remainder of the 2013/2014 school year. Fingerprint clearance is complete and on file. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

D. The following is a list of coaches for the 2014 spring sports season:

1. Moved by Rogers, Seconded by McCauley to approve Diana Frank as the **Girls' Head Varsity Softball Coach.**  
5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 (Frank) abstention, motion accepted

2. Moved by Frank, Seconded by McCauley to approve Bryan Hansen as the **Boys' Head Varsity Baseball Coach.**  
6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

a. Moved by Frank, Seconded by Rogers to approve Ryan Keem as the **Boys' Modified Baseball Coach.**  
6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

3. Moved by Fleischman, Seconded by Kazmierczak to approve Kristopher Fuller as the **Girls' and Boys' Head Track & Field Coach.**  
6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

a. Moved by Rogers, Seconded by Frank to approve Cara Abbey as the **Girls' and Boys' Assistant Track & Field Coach.**  
6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

E. Moved by Rogers, Seconded by Kazmierczak to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between West Valley Central School and West Valley Teachers' Association for tutoring. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

F. Moved by Frank, Seconded by Kazmierczak to approve open gym for West Valley softball and baseball athletes before the start of school from February 24 through February 28<sup>th</sup>. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

**X. OLD BUSINESS:**

none

**XI: NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Moved by Fleischman, Seconded by Kazmierczak to approve the CSE recommendations 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Frank, Seconded by McCauley to approve West Valley Central School students to participate with Ellicottville while competing on Ellicottville's trap shooting club this spring 2014. The location is at the Ellicottville Sportsman Club and transportation for West Valley students will be provided by West Valley. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Frank, Seconded by Kazmierczak to approve the 2013-2014 contract agreement between the Board of Education of West Valley Central School District and the Board of Education of Williamsville Central School District, for Health and Welfare Services. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

D. Moved by Frank, Seconded by McCauley to approve the creation of an Account Clerk Typist position in West Valley Central School District. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

E. Moved by Frank, Seconded by Rogers to approve West Valley athletes to join Pioneer Central School field hockey team. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

**XII:** Moved by Kazmierczak, Seconded by Frank to **ADJOURN** at 10:05pm. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted.

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District Clerk