

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Regular Meeting

January 28, 2013

Library Conference room

Members Present: Kazmierczak, Kowalski, McCauley, Frascella, Fleischman, Jackson-McCarty, Engels

Members Absent: none

Others Present: Lawton, Amodeo, O'Brien, Boberg, Leslie Durandetto, Amy Butler, Kim Lewis, Justine Stephan, Mary Grigsby, Brad Frank, Spring Journal, Bryon Richards, Glenn Butler

Administration Absent: none

I. CALL TO ORDER

Regular Meeting was called to order at 7pm by President Kowalski.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the UNITED STATES FLAG

III. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, Seconded by McCauley to **ADOPT** the amended agenda as follows:

Additions – NB item (D) – trapshooting club, NB item (E) – transportation request to St. Al's, NB item (F) - WV PTO facilities use request, Personnel item (C) Kris Fuller JV boys basketball coach.

Deletions –none

Changes – none

7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

IV. Correspondence/BOE information

Steve Kowalski informed the board that there is a legislative meeting on 3/2/13 at Andover Central School

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Amy Butler asks the board about the long range plan

VI. PRESENTATIONS

Bryon Richards, Area Manager and Glenn Butler, Vice President of Operations and Business Development for Personal Touch presented to the board of education on the new federal nutritional guidelines and what may be causing a decline in student participation in the lunch program. Personal Touch has made menu changes to make food choices sound more desirable. Soup is now offered to students and staff. When the District's application is approved by NYSED we will receive an additional six cent reimbursement for each lunch. This is due to participation following the new federal guidelines. Mr. Butler commented that West Valleys' participation has decreased less than the average when compared to other Personal Touch clients.

VII. REPORTS

A. Superintendent, Eric Lawton reported that the budget will be the focus of our agendas for the next few months. Dan, Ann and Eric will be meeting again to work on the budget. The WV Post Office meeting will be held on January 31st at 5:30pm in the WV auditorium. Eric and Ann met with Mark Ward to discuss the possibility of sharing business office duties between our two districts. After brainstorming ideas and listing costs and needs, it was determined that there would be no significant savings and no real benefit at this time. Eric met with April Preston to discuss the proposed changes in the concussion policy which is on the agenda for the first reading tonight. The process of correcting regents' exams is becoming more of a problem and cost to the district. Any teacher who has a stake in the outcome of an exam may not grade the exam. We must then participate in regional scoring. Dan has been driving the exams to and from each correcting site. Tom Reed, Steve Kowalski and Eric met to discuss the possibility of a decrease in Federal Government funding for the West Valley Demonstration Project cleanup.

B. Principal, Daniel Amodeo reported that on February 1st a scheduled Superintendents Day will focus on the elements of our APPR plan, specifically the classroom observations – Tim Clarke from CA BOCES will provide training. SDM met and discussed our Academic Ineligibility policy it was agreed that it should be more supportive and less punitive.

C. Business Official, Ann O'Brien reported on the Governor's state aid proposal and a new analysis of what that means compared to last year's adopted budget. A corrected copy of the report that shows the change in our transportation and BOCES aid ratio was given to the board and everyone present. An updated copy of the draft Budget for 2013/2014 was reviewed.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, Seconded by Engels to approve the unofficial Board of Education minutes from January 7, 2013 Regular meeting, December Treasurer's reports, budget status, revenue status, extra classroom activities, December Warrants and December Bank Reconciliations.
7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

IV. PERSONNEL

A. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, Seconded by Frascella to approve Eric J. Lawton, Superintendent to the position of Chief Information Officer, at no additional pay. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Kazmierczak, Seconded by McCauley to approve Cathie Nason to the newsletter position effective January 29, 2013. Hours and payment for the position is according to the Memorandum of Agreement between the WVCS and WVTA.
7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Kazmierczak, Seconded by McCauley to approve Kristopher Fuller as the JV Boy's Basketball coach for the winter season, effective 11/5/2012.
7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

X. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Kazmierczak to set the rate of \$3.00 per mile for the cost of transporting our students to field trips that have not been included in our budget. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

XI: NEW BUSINESS:

A. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, Seconded by McCauley to approve the *first reading* of the Board Policy "Concussion Management" #7522 revised under the Students section of the Policy Manual. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Frascella, Seconded by Jackson-McCarty to adopt the following **Resolution:**

REQUESTING FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO RESTORE AND STABILIZE FUNDING FOR WEST VALLEY DEMONSTRATION PROJECT CLEANUP

- I. WHEREAS**, the President's 2013 budget request included only \$50 million for the West Valley Demonstration Project (WVDP), and
- II. WHEREAS**, the House Appropriations Committee Energy and Water Appropriations Bill for fiscal year 2013 also provides only \$50 million for the WVDP, and
- III. WHEREAS**, the \$50 million budgeted amount represents a reduction of one-third in funding for the WVDP from fiscal year 2012, and
- IV. WHEREAS**, with \$20 million per year required to keep the facility safe, and \$30+ million procurement to build the high level waste storage facility and to purchase storage casks by 2015, a \$50 million appropriation will significantly impact the Phase I decommissioning activities, and
- V. WHEREAS**, if the WVDP receives an annual appropriation of only \$50 million throughout Phase I, it will take approximately 20 years to complete, which is twice as long as the Department of Energy initially projected when they assumed funding would remain \$75 million per year, and
- VI. WHEREAS**, the extension of Phase 1 decommissioning work from 10 years to 20 years will further add an extra \$200 million to the total project cost, and

VII. WHEREAS, the federal government must provide adequate funding to continue the cleanup project on schedule and as expeditiously as possible, now, therefore, be it

I. RESOLVED, that the West Valley Central District School Board of Education hereby requests the federal government restore funding to the current \$75 million that was anticipated when the Final Environmental Impact Statement and Record of Decision were in 2010, and be it further

II. RESOLVED, that this level of funding must then be stabilized for 10 years to complete all Phase I decommissioning work, and be it further

III. RESOLVED, that the Superintendent is hereby directed to forward copies of this resolution to US Secretary of Energy Chu, Senators Schumer and Gillibrand, Congressman Reed, Governor Cuomo, State Senator Young, Assembly Member Giglio, Bryan Bower, USDOE Director of the WVDP, and Paul Bembia, NYSERDA Director of the West Valley Site Management Program.

7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Frascella to approve the CSE recommendations. 7ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

D. Moved by Frascella, Seconded by McCauley to approve West Valley Central School students to participate with Ellicottville while competing on Ellicottville's trap shooting club this spring 2013. The location is at the Ellicottville Sportsman Club and transportation for West Valley students will be provided by West Valley.

6 ayes, 1 nays (Kazmierczak), motion accepted

Mr. Kazmierczak wanted to go on record that his nay vote was not in regards to the club but the transportation.

E. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, Seconded by McCauley to approve a transportation request to St. Aloysius Regional School from William and Michele Sunden for their daughter Abigail Sonnenberg, effective February 4, 2013.

7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

F. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, Seconded by McCauley to approve a facilities use request for the West Valley PTO to hold family roller skating on Saturday February 9th 2013 from 6pm – 7:30pm. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Jackson-McCarty to go into executive session at 8:15pm for the purpose of contractual and personnel reasons.

7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

Moved by Jackson-McCarty, Seconded by McCauley to come out of executive session at 9:12pm. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion

XII: Moved by Jackson-McCarty, Seconded by McCauley to **ADJOURN** the meeting at 9:14pm. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

District Clerk