

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Regular Meeting

June 25, 2013

Library Conference room

Members Present: Frascella, McCauley, Engels, Jackson-McCarty

Members Absent: Kazmierczak, Kowalski, Fleischman

Others Present: Lawton, Amodeo, O'Brien, Boberg, Leslie Durandetto, Diane Pfeffer, Springville Journal

Administration Absent: none

I. CALL TO ORDER

Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:03pm by Vice President Jackson-McCarty presiding.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the UNITED STATES FLAG

III. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Frascella to **ADOPT** the agenda

Additions –NB item L – Girls' Volleyball open gym, NB item M – CSE recommendation, Personnel item F – Justine Stephan resignation

Deletions –none

Changes –NB item A – wording WVCS/WVSEA, NB item H – wording on location, NB item K – wording WVCS instead of Ashford.

4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

IV. Correspondence/BOE information

Mike Frascella publicly thanked Steve Kowalski for his years of service to the district, community and students. He has been very active in the School Boards Association, Citizen Task Force and the Cattaraugus/Allegany Legislative group. His commitment and involvement will be truly missed. Board members Teaseleman Jackson-McCarty, Frances Engels and Dennis McCauley also expressed their appreciation for his time served.

Moved by Frascella, Seconded by Jackson-McCarty for a Resolution of acknowledgement of 10 years of dedicated service by Stephen Kowalski to the West Valley Central School District. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

Teaseleman Jackson-McCarty informed the board that a thank you note was received from the senior citizens group for the school hosting a brunch and music.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Leslie Durandetto expressed her concern and sadness of so many staff members leaving the district.

VII. REPORTS

A. Superintendent, Eric Lawton reported that 4 teachers this year have left due to retirement. Mr. Amodeo will be here shortly he is coaching a youth baseball team. He publicly thanked Steve Kowalski for his years of service to the district and that he could not be at tonight's board meeting due to a prior commitment. A lounge chair was presented to him on an earlier date with a WV Wildcat and 10 years of service emblem sewn on. On the last day of school Leesa Easton, Shelly Butcher, Anne Williams and Deb Fenn were presented a retirement gift from Administration and Board of Education. Kelli Russell will be teaching 1st grade next school year.

B. Business Official, Ann O'Brien reports on closing inactive student activity accounts, comptroller audit, parking lot bid and lunch prices.

Mr. Amodeo comes into meeting at 7:32pm

C. Principal, Daniel Amodeo reports that the end of year was very busy; regents completed with regional scoring done and he supports a full day PreK program for next school year.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Engels to approve the unofficial Board of Education minutes from June 3, 2013 Regular meeting, May Treasurer's reports, budget status, revenue status, extra classroom activities, May Warrants and May Bank Reconciliations. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

IV. PERSONNEL

A. Moved by Frascella, Seconded by McCauley a motion to approve Kelli Russell, who is a tenured teacher in the elementary tenure area to be recalled from the Preferred Eligibility list and placed in a full-time elementary position in the elementary tenure area effective August 1, 2013. She will be on step 8 and benefits will be according to the WVCS/WVTA contract. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Frascella to approve Kathy Vacanti as the 2013 Elementary Summer reading program teacher to begin on July 8, 2013 and end August 1, 2013 from 9am to 11am Monday through Thursday. Pay is according to 4.27E of the West Valley Central Teacher's Association contract for 8 hours of instruction and 2 hours of preparation time each of the 4 weeks of the program. A total of 40 hours for the duration of the program is equivalent to \$1,487.20. 4 ayes, 0 nays motion accepted

C. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Frascella to approve Marcus Enser as a substitute cleaner; working on an on call basis and the starting wage will be \$7.50. Finger print clearance has been completed and on file. 4 ayes, 0 nays motion accepted

D. Moved by Frascella, Seconded by McCauley to approve an unpaid leave for Jody Thiel from her duties as the ISS facilitator to complete her student teaching college requirement, her leave will start September 2, 2013 and end on October 31, 2013. She will resume her ISS facilitator duties on November 1, 2013. 4 ayes, 0 nays motion accepted

E. Moved McCauley, Seconded by Engels to approve Jordan Seltzer as a summer helper to work in the building and grounds department; and the starting wage will be \$7.25. Fingerprinting is not required of a current high school student. 4 ayes, 0 nays motion accepted

F. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Frascella to accept, with regrets, the resignation of Justine Stephan from her position as Committee of Special Education Chairperson, effective July 17, 2013. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

X. OLD BUSINESS:
none

XI: NEW BUSINESS:

A. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Frascella to approve the **Memorandum of Agreement** between the **WVCS and WVSEA** to hereby agree to a date change within Article 14 section 4 of the WVCS/WVSEA contract. The change within this section will read - *All other accrued annual leave will be forfeited on September 1st*. The current contract states July 1st. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Frascella to approve the following:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the West Valley Central School District does hereby elect to provide the additional pension benefits of Section 41-j of the Retirement and Social Security Law, as presently or hereafter amended.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the effective date of such shall be the 1st day of July, 2013. **(attached)** 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Frascella, Seconded by McCauley to approve closing out the following student activity accounts due to inactivity: Outdoor Recreation and Science Club, Computer Club, Class of 2011, and Class of 2012, as recommended by the Superintendent. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

D. Moved by Frascella, Seconded by McCauley to return the unused portion of the Tax Certiorari Reserve fund to the General Fund for the year ended June 30, 2013, as recommended by the Superintendent. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

E. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Frascella to establish an Unemployment Reserve and Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve Fund and to re-establish the Tax Certiorari Reserve Fund, as recommended by the Superintendent. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

F. Moved by Frascella, Seconded by McCauley to transfer any excess revenue over expenditures for the year ending June 30, 2013, over the 4% limit to the Retirement Contribution Reserve and the Tax Certiorari Reserve for the purpose of funding future obligations, as recommended by the Superintendent. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

G. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Engels to establish the following prices for the District's Breakfast/Lunch program, as recommended by the Superintendent:

Breakfast: grades K-12th \$1.00
Lunch: grades K-8th \$1.50, grades 9-12th 1.75

4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

H. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Frascella to approve a facilities use request for the WVCS athletes to use the weight room and locker rooms Monday through Friday each week from 6-9pm and the gym on Tuesdays and Thursday each week from 6-9pm to train from July 1st -August 16th, Kristopher Fuller will be present. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

I. Moved by Frascella, Seconded by McCauley to approve a facilities use request for the WVCS Girls' soccer athletes to use the gym, locker room and outdoor facilities to train for the upcoming season on Fridays starting July 1st – August 16th from 9-11am. Cara Abbey will be present. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

J. Moved by Frascella, Seconded by McCauley to accept the driveway and parking lot sealing bid of \$5,100 from EWS Enterprises, LLC. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

K. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Frascella to approve the following resolution;

Whereas, Governor Cuomo has proposed legislation creating tax-free zones adjacent to state universities, private universities, and state-owned strategic sites, and,

Whereas, legislative markup is certain to be a component of future legislation, and,

Whereas, legislative approval will be required to move this proposal forward, and,

Whereas, the proposal indicates that twenty strategic state assets will be designated tax-free, and

Whereas the state-owned Western New York Nuclear Service Center, located in Northern Cattaraugus County contains usable acreage, utilities, and access for new business startups, and,

Whereas, the majority of the acreage is not contaminated,

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, the West Valley Central School District requests that portions of the Western New York Nuclear Service Center be included in legislation approving the Governors tax-free NY proposal, and

Further Be It Resolved that creation of a tax-free zone at the Western New York Service Center will be a positive step forward to the future use of the Western New York Nuclear Service Center.

After the Board of Education discussion - 3 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstain (Engels), motion rejected. (Majority of the whole board did not vote in favor)

L. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Frascella to approve the building use for Girls' volleyball open gym 7-12th graders from 6-8pm on 7/1, 7/8, 7/22, 7/29, 8/5 and 8/15. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

M. Moved by Frascella, Seconded by McCauley to approve the CSE recommendation. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

Moved by Frascella, Seconded by McCauley to go into Executive session at 8:19pm for the purpose of personnel items. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Frascella to come out of Executive session at 9:35pm. 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

XII: Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Frascella to **ADJOURN** at 9:36pm
4 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

District Clerk