

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Regular Meeting

November 14, 2011

Auditorium

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

Members/Admin Absent: Kazmierczak, Chudy

Others Present: Bowen, Amodeo, Boberg, Amy Butler, Art Munson, Kim Lewis, Justine Stephan, Leslie Durandetto, Paul Bembia, Marylou Forster, Connie Jo Kazmierczak, Cathie Benz, Alyssa Cizdziel, Chelsea Dashnaw, Megan Hewlett

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the UNITED STATES FLAG

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

Additions –none

Deletions –under reports item C. Michael Chudy, Business Official report, Nichele James internal report and motion to accept internal report

Changes –personnel item B. remove words “for a period of 10 wks”

6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

IV. Correspondence/BOE information

November 16th a quarterly meeting at the Ashford Office Complex will be held.

December 1st Board of Education members; Kazmierczak, Engels, Kowalski, Frascella and Superintendent, Hillary Bowen will be attending ACASB dinner meeting. December 5th District Superintendent, Dr Olczak, and Assistant Superintendent, Linda Quick will be attending the WV BOE meeting to go over the BOCES budget process and to meet with the board regarding the Superintendent search. December 12th the BOE will have a retreat on Strategic Planning, facilitated by Assistant Superintendent, Linda Quick @ 6:30pm.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Marylou Forster spoke on the behalf of the WVTA. The WVTA would like to be involved in the Superintendent Search. They would also hope that the students, parents and community members be part of the process. The continuation of good leadership is very important for the district and students. We have a solid Business Official and Principal in place. With a Superintendent Search we would have an opportunity to find someone who would work well with the current Administration, understand budgeting and have an educational background.

VI. PRESENTATIONS

Senior Class advisors and student presentation on 2012 senior class trip to Virginia Beach. Slide show was done by class officers; Alyssa Cizdziel, Chelsea Dashnaw and Megan Hewlett.

VII. REPORTS

A. Superintendent, Hillary Bowen reported on the positive response on the newsletter from the community and that staff has been very productive in submitting articles. The telephone problems have been reported to Frontier and we are still waiting on the parts to fix. At the Fall Sports awards April Preston referred to bringing back the Wildcat Pride. She would like to see more spectators at the sporting events to support our teams.

B. Principal, Daniel Amodeo reported that the Academic handbook was reviewed and revised to accurately reflect the Academic program at West Valley Central School. Teachers attended Common Core training on November 9th for Science and Social Studies. The week of November 14th teachers will be attending Common Core training in Math for grades 2-6. Two trainings were offered through CA BOCES that are aligned with the State's requirements to certify lead evaluators. An opportunity was provided to visit Sherman Central School as it was identified by Mrs. Bowen and Mr. Chudy as a school similar to ours that has high student achievement and was a Blue Ribbon school in 2009. A team of 5 staff members attended a bullying prevention program through the Character Council of Western New York. Rachel's Challenge Assembly occurred on Thursday November 10th for our 6-12th grades. The Parent Teacher Organization held its first meeting on November 3rd.

C. Business Official, Michael Chudy report cancelled

1. Internal Audit Report-Nichele James report and motion to accept the audit cancelled and rescheduled to December 5th.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Moved by Pfeffer, Seconded by Engels to approve the unofficial minutes of the October 17, 2011 Board of Education meeting. August Warrants, August Treasurer's reports, budget status, revenue status, extra classroom activities and August Bank Reconciliations. September Warrants, September Treasurer's reports, budget status, revenue status, extra classroom activities and September Bank Reconciliations.

6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

Moved by Jackson-McCarty, Seconded by Engels to approve **Items B-G to be voted on as Consent Agenda**

B. To approve the **second and final** reading of the Board Policy "Sexual Harassment of Students" #7551 **required** under the Students section of the Policy Manual.

C. To approve the **second and final** reading of the Board Policy "Sexual Harassment of District Personnel" #6121 **required** under the Personnel section of the Policy Manual.

D. To approve the **second and final** reading of the Board Policy "Use of Email in the School District" #6480 **new** under the Personnel section of the Policy Manual.

E. To approve the **second and final** reading of the Board Policy "Purchasing" #5410 **revised** under the Non-Instructional/Business Operations section of the Policy Manual.

F. To approve the **second and final** reading of the Board Policy "Code of Conduct on School Property" #3410 **required** under the Community Relations section of the Policy Manual.

G. To approve the **second and final** reading of the Board Policy "Student Use of Computerized Information Resources (Acceptable Use Policy)" #7315 **revised** under the Students section of the Policy Manual.

6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

IV. PERSONNEL

A. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Engels to approve the employment agreement between West Valley Central School and Michael Chudy as School Business Official for a period of three (3) years, from July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015. The new contract will contain a 2% salary increase for 2012-2013 and a salary increase of either 2% or Consumer Price Index (CPI) with a maximum limit of 3.5% each year. This contract represents the Business Official's commitment to keep Administrative costs within the state 2% tax cap. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Engels, Seconded by Frascella to approve the memorandum of agreement between the West Valley Teachers' Association and the West Valley Central School district for Bryan Hansen to fill the Computer/Business teacher position, presently held by Cathie Benz, while she is on maternity leave. Mr. Hansen will maintain his current level of salary and benefits. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Engels, Seconded by Pfeffer to approve Dorothy Very as a substitute monitor for the 2011-12 school year. Fingerprint clearance is complete. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

X. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, Seconded by McCauley to approve the Special Education Plan for 2011/2012 and 2012/2013 school years. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

XI. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Moved by Pfeffer, Seconded by Jackson-McCarty to approve the CSE recommendations. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, Seconded by McCauley to approve the "Academic Handbook" for grades 7-12. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Pfeffer, Seconded by Engels to approve the 2012 Senior class trip to Virginia Beach from May 10-14th. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

D. Moved by Frascella, Seconded by McCauley to approve the use of the auditorium, cafeteria and library by the PTO on December 10th for Santa's School for Elves. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

E. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Engels to approve the use of the library by the PTO for regular meetings on the first Thursday of every month until May 2012. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

F. Moved by Engels, Seconded by Pfeffer to approve the **first** reading of the Board Policy "Internet Safety/Internet Content Filtering Policy #8271 revised under Instruction section of the Policy Manual. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

G. Moved by Engels, Seconded by Frascella to accept a gift of 5 (five) bean bag chairs to be used in the library, donated by Hillary W. Bowen, Superintendent. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

H. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Engels to accept the \$500 donation from the Western New York Insurance Association, for funding field trips or supplies for the English department. Congratulations to Nicole Jankowiak who worked with her local Rotary Club to obtain the donation. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

I. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Pfeffer to accept an offer of \$35 for the Windsor Merit 175 rpm swing machine from Steve Howe. The machine received no bids last month. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

XII. Moved by Pfeffer, Seconded by McCauley to **ADJOURN** at 7:50pm

District Clerk