

West Valley Central School Board of Education

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Regular Meeting

April 4, 2011

Library Conference room

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

Members Absent: Kazmierczak

Others Present: Hillary Bowen, Michael Chudy, Christian Cornwell, Carolyn Boberg, Springville Journal reporter-Nora Mihallik, Michelle Enser, Rob Green, Leslie Durandetto, NYSERDA Program Director Paul Bembia, Art Munson, Marylou Forster, Kim Lewis, Amy Butler, Vincent Venitelli, Ashley Auman

Administration Absent: Bonnie Smith and April Preston

I. CALL TO ORDER

Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:03pm by President Stephen Kowalski

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the UNITED STATES FLAG

III. Moved by Welling, Seconded by Jackson-McCarty to **ADOPT** the agenda.

Additions - none

Deletions - under section IV. DISCUSSION/WORKSHOP topic: non-resident policy #7132 will be tabled until a later date

Changes - none

6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

IV. DISCUSSION/WORKSHOP

Topic: non-resident policy #7132

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Leslie Durandetto handed Stephen Kowalski, BOE President, a listing of reasons a board can go into executive session according to Robert Freeman who is the Executive Director of the New York State committee on open government. Leslie states that according to the list - personnel is not a legal reason. Art Munson states his concerns with any increase in taxes. He feels we should merge with Springville.

VI. PRESENTATION

none

VII. REPORTS

A. Superintendent/Secondary Principal, Hillary W. Bowen reported that Mike Chudy, Stephen Kowalski and she will be attending the BOCES annual meeting in Belmont on Wed April 6th. Frances Engels and she will be attending the Allegany Cattaraugus Association of School Boards annual dinner meeting on April 28th at Moonwinks in Cuba, NY. A new Social Studies textbook for 7th and 8th graders was presented for review and will be on the April 26th agenda for approval.

B. Business Official, Michael Chudy distributed and reviewed copies of the 2011/2012 budget.

1. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, Seconded by Welling that the Board of Education of the West Valley Central School District adopts the proposed 2011-12 budget in the amount of \$8,521,157. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

2. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, Seconded by McCauley that the Board of Education of the West Valley Central School District adopts the proposed purchase of one (1) 65 passenger school bus at a cost not to exceed \$108,000 and one (1) school mini-van at a cost not to exceed \$30,000; and the District borrows such funds to cover the aggregate cost of the purchase, and to issue its Serial Bonds and to refund such bonds by a tax to be collected in installments in accord with the provisions of the Education Law and Local Finance Law, and/or to enter (at discretion of the Board of Education) into one or more Lease/Purchase Contracts (or substantially similar contractual arrangements) having a term of five years or less, with respect to the acquisition of one or more of such buses. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Elementary Principal (sub), Christian Cornwell reported that the 3rd and final Family Math Night was held on March 29th and was well attended. The 5th grade class experienced a virtual field trip on Wed March 29th. The 5th grade class will be presenting their version of the Wizard of Oz to the rest of elementary school and parents on Friday April 8th.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Moved by Pfeffer, Seconded by Engels to approve the minutes from the March 21, 2011 Regular Board of Education meeting. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

IX. PERSONNEL

A. Moved by Engels, Seconded by Jackson-McCarty to approve one (1) special education teaching position to be abolished effective June 30, 2011. This position is in the special education tenure area and the person having the least seniority in that tenure area is Marie Proudman. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Pfeffer, Seconded by McCauley to approve Rori Selleck to be a long term Science substitute teacher:
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the West Valley Central School District hereby accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent to appoint Rori Selleck to be a 1.0 FTE long term Science substitute teacher, the Step 1 salary of \$35,889, commencing April 18, 2011. Rori Selleck holds a Conditional Initial NYS Certificate #171685477 in Science 7-12. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

X. OLD BUSINESS:

None

XI. NEW BUSINESS:

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

B. Moved by Pfeffer, Seconded by Engels to approve the West Valley Central School Marching Band to participate in the Music Festival at Darien Lake Theme Park on Saturday, June 4, 2011. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

Executive session

Moved by Pfeffer, Seconded by McCauley to go into Executive session at 7:40pm for detailed personnel matters. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

Moved by Jackson-McCarty, Seconded by Welling to come out of Executive session at 8:35pm. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

XII. Moved by Engels, Seconded by McCauley to **ADJOURN** at 8:36pm
6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

District Clerk