

# West Valley Central School Board of Education

## OFFICIAL MINUTES

**Regular Meeting**                      **April 5, 2010**                      **Library Conference room**

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

Members Absent: none

Others Present: Hillary Bowen, Bonnie Smith, Mike Chudy, Carolyn Boberg, Marylou Forster, Arthur and Sue Munson, Ruth Ann Gerwitz, Kelly Kittle, Steve Howe, Terry Fuller, Dave Jones, Amy Butler and George Neudeck

Administration Absent: none

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

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

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

### **III. ADOPT AGENDA**

Additions: Personnel item (G) Jason Kearney as volunteer coach for modified baseball for the 2010 season

Deletions: none

Changes: none

Moved by Jackson-McCarty, Seconded by McCauley to approve the agenda as changed. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

### **IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Dave Jones inquired whether West Valley Central School offers any AP courses for students. He stated the importance of getting students ready for college and/or the work force. George Neudeck commended the Board of Education for making tough decisions. Ruth Ann Gerwitz a member of the WVSEA union stated that she hoped the Board of Education would consider an unpaid time off request from Walter Heim.

**V. REPORTS**

Michael Chudy distributed and reviewed copies of the 2010/2011 budget

B. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Pfeffer that the Board of Education of the West Valley Central School District is hereby authorized to expend the sum of \$8,707,554.00 for the 2010-2011 school year. The basic budget will provide the funds to support and maintain programs necessary to provide students with a quality educational program. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Secondary Principal, Hillary Bowen reported on the Chamber meeting scheduled for this Thursday – Mike Chudy, Matt LaBrake, three students and she will be attending. The students and Matt Labrake will be giving a leadership presentation to the Chamber. Frank Cardamone will be participating in the GEO Bee in Albany this Friday. Entrance exams will be given for students interested in taking college credit courses in English and Computers next school year. Youth Court Induction took place last week and was well attended.

D. Elementary Principal/Curriculum Coordinator/Director of PE, Bonnie Smith reported on the successful and well attended Family Math and Reading nights, 5<sup>th</sup> grade American History Idol project, Merry-Go-Round Theater was here for their last assembly this school year, Senior Scholar Athletes and winter coach evaluations are completed.

**VI. CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Moved by Pfeffer, Seconded by Welling to approve the minutes from the March 22, 2010 Regular Board of Education meeting. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

**VII. PERSONNEL**

A. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, Seconded by Engles to approve one (1) elementary teaching position to be abolished effective June 30, 2010. This position is in the elementary tenure area and the person having the least seniority in that tenure area is Kelli Russell. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Welling, Seconded by Jackson-McCarty to approve one (1) teacher assistant position to be abolished effective June 30, 2010. This position is in the teaching assistant tenure area and the person having the least seniority in that tenure area is Beverly Hess. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Kazmierczak, Seconded by Welling to accept with regret the resignation, for the purpose of retirement, of Richard DeKay effective 6/30/2010. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

D. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Kazmierczak to approve one (1) elementary teaching position to be abolished effective June 30, 2010. This position is in the elementary tenure area and with the acceptance of the retirement of Richard DeKay, this position will be abolished. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

E. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Welling to approve one (1) dean position to be abolished effective June 30, 2010. Instead of three (3) deans for the 2010/2011 school year there will be only two (2) deans. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

F. Moved by Jackson-McCarty, Seconded by Pfeffer to approve Mr. Terry Fuller to do a 15 hour unpaid Administrative Internship opportunity with Hillary Bowen, Superintendent/7-12<sup>th</sup> grade Principal from April 6<sup>th</sup> through April 15<sup>th</sup>. He is enrolled in an on-line program with Grand Canyon University. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

G. Moved by Pfeffer, Seconded by Engels to approve Jason Kearney as a volunteer coach for modified baseball for the 2010 season. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

**VIII. OLD BUSINESS:**

none

**IX. NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Engles to approve the transportation request from St. Aloysius Regional School on behalf of Barbara Parish for her daughter Erin Parish to attend St. Aloysius Regional School for the 2010-2011 school year. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Pfeffer to approve Intramurals for grades 9-12, for two evenings a week starting April 26<sup>th</sup> through June 17<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8pm. The program will be under the supervision of Amy Butler and other school volunteers. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Welling, Seconded by McCauley to accept a donation of a Hewlett Packard Laptop Computer to the school from Marylou Forster be used in the Spanish Department. The serial number is CNF65150DG.  
7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

D. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Engels to accept a donation of a Yamaha EZ-150 Electric Keyboard with a serial number of 0010158, for the music department from Don Domon. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

E. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Welling to accept a donation of a Conn Baritone Saxophone with a serial number of 960948, for the music department from Mr. and Mrs. Paul Williams. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

F. Moved by Engels, Seconded by Jackson-McCarty to approve the use of the football field, snack shack and some equipment for a "legends of the past" football game to be held on June 12, 2010. This event is for raising money for the Little League Program. Certificate of insurance and building use form is complete. 6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstain (Kazmierczak) motion accepted

Moved by Engels, Seconded by Jackson-McCarty to go into Executive session for personnel and negotiations reasons at 7:37pm.  
7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

Moved by Kazmierczak, Seconded by Pfeffer to come out of Executive session at 9:05pm with business to conduct. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

Moved by Pfeffer, Seconded by Kowalski to approve an unpaid general leave of absence for Walter Heim from 4/26/10 through 4/30/10 to work as a cook at the National Police Bloodhound Association. 0 ayes, 7 nays, motion rejected

X. Moved by Kazmierczak, Seconded by Jackson-McCarty to **ADJOURN** at 9:10pm. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

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District Clerk