West Canada Valley Central School District
Board Of Education
Regular Meeting
July 13, 2026 ~ 6:30 PM

Members Present
David Amendolare
Shannon Crocker
Shauna Harrington
Roger Kemler
Janine Lynch
Sara Northup-Lynch
Edwin Schatzel

Others Present
Jeremy Siddon, Superintendent
Kelley Crossett, Business Manager
Daphne Raymo, District Clerk
Glenn Broadbent, MS/HS Principal
Christine Nofri, Elementary Principal
Shane Bonney
Robert Batson

THIS MEETING WAS LIVE-STREAMED THROUGH THE WEST CANADA VALLEY CSD WEBSITE

CALL TO ORDER

Board President Shauna Harrington called the meeting to order at 6:22 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Ms. Nofri shared updates regarding the prekindergarten and kindergarten enrollment numbers to date, and a trial pilot schedule for 5th and 6th-grade students to better prepare them for the transition to middle school. The pilot schedule will also allow more efficient use of our available staff. Mr. Broadbent advised the middle school students will shift back to traditional teaching methods by removing one-to-one Chromebooks for 7th and 8th graders to help reduce distractions.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

A motion made by Mr. Schatzel and seconded by Ms. Lynch to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the following consent agenda items be approved and/or accepted: meeting minutes from the June 8, 2026 Regular Meeting, administrative reports, warrants, CSE/CPSE, treasurer, budget and claims audit reports.

All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0

DISCUSSION ITEM: SCHOOL YEAR SUMMARY

Mr. Siddon thanked the entire West Canada Valley staff for their dedication and hard work supporting our students during the past year. He also advised the group that 357 students took 11 different Regents exams this past June. The results of the Regents exams will be provided at a future meeting, once the results are received and the embargoed data has been released, usually in October. Our marching band did very well at the Sherburne Pageant of Bands, as well as at the Dolgeville Violet Festival Parade. Mr. Siddon also advised that every one of the district's varsity sports teams were recognized as scholar athlete teams by the New York State Public High School Athletics Association (NYSPHSAA).

DISCUSSION ITEM: CODE OF CONDUCT REVISION UPDATE

Mr. Siddon advised that the Code of Conduct committee met in June to review the document and update areas accordingly. One item that was added is the language that explains what a Superintendent's Hearing is and the outcome that can happen depending on the severity of the infraction. The attendance policy language was also revised for clarity regarding tardiness and the importance of students being on time for school, and language was added for artificial intelligence (A.I.) usage. The cell phone policy will be followed closely this year, making sure that students are storing their phones in the lock boxes in their first period classroom for the entire day. The revised document will be available on our website for a comment period and it will be adopted at the August 12, 2026 Board meeting.

DISCUSSION ITEM: UPDATE ON DISTRICT-WIDE SAFETY PLAN

Mr. Siddon updated the Board with information that the Safety Committee met in May to discuss issues in the district. The annual updates to the Safety Plan have been made, and the revised document will be available on our website for a comment period and it will be adopted at the August 12, 2026 Board meeting.

DISCUSSION ITEM: MUSIC DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Due to the tight budget restraints for the upcoming July 14, 2026 for the 2026-27 school year, one of our music teacher positions was eliminated. The district is looking for ways to possibly reinstate a part-time music position to give our students more opportunities as there is room in the budget for this to happen.

POLICY UPDATES – POLICIES PRESENTED FOR SECOND READING (no action taken)

Audited policies presented for the **first reading**:

2001 Board of Education Authority
2002 Number of Members and Terms of Office
2003 Qualifications of a Board of Education Member
2004 Nomination and Election of Board of Education Member
2005 New Board Member Elect Orientation
2006 Board Member Training
2007 Reporting of Expenditures and Contributions
2008 Oath of Office

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Wednesday,** August 12, 2026 - Next Regular BOE Meeting
- Monday, August 24, 2025 - Special Meeting (if needed)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Q. **Mr. Robert Batson, of Poland, stated the district adopted the Board Policy Manual, which includes the Code of Conduct, but the district is going to update the Code of Conduct for August?**
A. Mr. Siddon: Yes, we're going through an entire revamp of our policies right now, using Madison-Oneida BOCES policy services, since some of our policies haven't been looked at since 2005.

Q. Mr. Batson: When and how do you fill (select) your Policy and Audit Committee members?
A: Mr. Siddon: Over the past 2.5 years since I've been here, we have a committee of two board members, and three administrators that go over those policies to be sure they are where they need to be. The Code of Conduct Committee consists of a group of three teachers, administrators, board members, parents, and school resource officers.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion made by Mr. Schatzel and seconded by Ms. Lynch for the Board to recess into executive session to discuss the review and appointment of employees, contract negotiations involving the WCV Teachers Association, and individual Terms & Conditions of Employment and Teacher on Special Assignment (TOSA) contracts.

All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0 **Entered Executive Session: 7:10 pm** **Return to Public Session: 8:26 pm**

ACTION ITEM - PERSONNEL: RESIGNATIONS

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mr. Amendolare and seconded by Mr. Kemler to approve the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to accept the resignation of;

Name: **Mitchell Werenczak**
Position: Building Maintenance Mechanic
Effective: June 26, 2026
All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Crocker and seconded by Mr. Schatzel to approve the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to accept the resignation of;

Name: **Kiley McCusker**
Position: Agriculture Teacher (7-12)
Effective: June 30, 2026
All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Ms. Lynch and seconded by Mr. Schatzel to approve the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to accept the resignation of;

Name: **Claire Joshi**
Position: Elementary Teacher (First Grade)
Effective: August 31, 2026
All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Northup-Lynch and seconded by Mr. Schatzel to approve the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to accept the resignation of;

Name: **Kady Conklin**
Position: School Counselor (7-12)
Effective: September 1, 2026
All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Crocker and seconded by Mr. Schatzel to accept the following resolution
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: **Todd Hobin**
Position: Head Coach, Varsity Football
Salary: Step 5 of the extra-curricular index of the WCVTA bargaining agreement
Effective: July 14, 2026 for the July 14, 2026 for the July 14, 2026 for the 2026-27 school year
All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0
Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Crocker and seconded by Mr. Kemler to accept the following resolution
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: **Ference Sarus**
Position: Assistant Coach, Varsity Football
Salary: Step 5 of the extra-curricular index of the WCVTA bargaining agreement
Effective: July 14, 2026 for the July 14, 2026 for the 2026-27 school year
All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Northup-Lynch and seconded by Ms. Lynch to accept the following resolution
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: **Mike Kerr**
Position: Assistant Coach, Varsity Football
Salary: Step 5 of the extra-curricular index of the WCVTA bargaining agreement
Effective: July 14, 2026 for the July 14, 2026 for the 2026-27 school year
All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mr. Amendolare and seconded by Mrs. Crocker to accept the following resolution
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: **Brandon Grabowski**
Position: Volunteer Coach, Varsity Football
Effective: July 14, 2026 for the 2026-27 school year
All voted in favor, motion carried 7:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Ms. Lynch and seconded by Mrs. Crocker to accept the following resolution
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: **John Keady**
Position: Head Coach, Modified Football
Salary: Step 5 of the extra-curricular index of the WCVTA bargaining agreement
Effective: July 14, 2026 for the 2026-27 school year
All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mr. Schatzel and seconded by Ms. Lynch to accept the following resolution
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: **Jamie Farrington**
Position: Volunteer Coach, Modified Football
Effective: July 14, 2026 for the 2026-27 school year
All voted in favor, motion carried 7:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mr. Amendolare and seconded by Mrs. Crocker to accept the following resolution
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: **Dan Capron**
Position: Head Coach, Boys/Girls Cross Country
Salary: Step 5 of the extra-curricular index of the WCVTA bargaining agreement
Effective: July 14, 2026 for the 2026-27 school year
All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Crocker and seconded by Ms. Lynch to accept the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: **Christopher Pullman**
Position: Assistant Coach, Boys/Girls Cross Country
Salary: Step 2 of the extracurricular index of the WCVTA Bargaining Agreement
Effective: July 14, 2026 for the 2026-27 school year
All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Crocker and seconded by Mrs. Northup-Lynch to accept the following resolution
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: **Amy Dommer**
Position: Head Coach, Girls Varsity Soccer
Salary: Step 5 of the extra-curricular index of the WCVTA bargaining agreement
Effective: July 14, 2026 for the 2026-27 school year
All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Crocker and seconded by Mrs. Northup-Lynch to accept the following resolution
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: **Kyle Shearer**
Position: Head Coach, Girls Modified Soccer
Salary: Step 3 of the extra-curricular index of the WCVTA bargaining agreement
Effective: July 14, 2026 for the 2026-27 school year
All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Ms. Lynch and seconded by Mr. Schatzel to accept the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: **Taylor Butler**
Position: Volunteer Coach, Girls Varsity Soccer
Effective: July 14, 2026 for the 2026-27 school year
All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Ms. Lynch and seconded by Mrs. Crocker to accept the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: **Jordan Cornacchia**
Position: Volunteer Coach, Girls Varsity Soccer
Effective: July 14, 2026 for the 2026-27 school year
All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mr. Schatzel and seconded by Ms. Lynch to accept the following resolution
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: **Kelly Gauthier**
Position: Head Coach, Girls Varsity Cheerleading
Salary: Step 3 of the extra-curricular index of the WCVTA bargaining agreement
Effective: July 14, 2026 for the 2026-27 school year
All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mr. Schatzel and seconded by Mrs. Northup-Lynch to accept the following resolution
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: **Alyson Good**
Position: Head Coach, Varsity Girls Swimming
Salary: Step 3 of the extra-curricular index of the WCVTA bargaining agreement
Effective: July 14, 2026 for the 2026-27 school year
All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mr. Schatzel and seconded by Mrs. Northup-Lynch to accept the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: **Les (Carl) Dalmata**
Position: Assistant Coach, Varsity Girls Swimming
Salary: Step 4 of the extra-curricular index of the WCVTA Bargaining Agreement
Effective: July 14, 2026 for the 2026-27 school year
All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mr. Amendolare and seconded by Mrs. Crocker to accept the following resolution
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: **Jaclyn Santmier**
Position: Head Coach, Modified Girls Swimming
Salary: Step 5 of the extra-curricular index of the WCVTA bargaining agreement
Effective: July 14, 2026 for the 2026-27 school year
All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0

ACTION ITEM: MENTOR COORDINATOR APPOINTMENT

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Crocker and seconded by Mrs. Northup-Lynch to approve the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: **Lisa Lawton**
Position: Mentor Coordinator
Salary: Per the WCVTA Collective Bargaining Agreement
Effective: July 14, 2026 for the 2026-27 school year
All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0

ACTION ITEM: EXTRACURRICULAR ADVISORS

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mr. Schatzel and seconded by Mrs. Lynch to approve the Extra-curricular Advisors (as presented) for the 2026-2027 school year.
All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0

Activity	Advisor	WCVTA Extracurr. Index Step	Activity	Advisor	WCVTA Extracurr. Index Step
Art Club co-advisor	Bronwen Keefer	5	Grade 11	Anne Murphy	5
Art Club co-advisor	Ricci Sayers	5	Grade 12	Victoria Petro	5
BAA/GAA	Tina Sternberg	5	Grade 12 Assistant	Shane Bonney	5
Battle of the Books (co)	Gretchen Blynt	2	International Club	Leonora Foster	5
Battle of the Books (co)	Danielle Novak	2	Jazz Ensemble	Scott Bonney	5
Central Treasurer	Shane Bonney	5	Marching Band	Shane Bonney	5
Chess Club	Christopher Pullman	2	Marching Band Asst.	Scott Bonney	5
Color Guard	Shane Bonney	5	Musical Director	Shane Bonney	5
Disk Golf	Ed Dougherty	2	Musical Director's Asst.	Chris DeNova	3
Drama Director	Shane Bonney	1	National Jr. Hon. Society	Ritamarie Juteau	5
Drama Director Asst.	Scott Bonney	1	National Sr. Hon. Society	Melissa Maine	5
FCCLA	None		SISTERS	Courtney Valasek	5
FFA	None		Ski Club	Ed Dougherty	4
Garden Club	Carey Stewart	5	Stage Manager	Scott Bonney	5
Grade 7	Anne Murphy	5	Student Council	Abigail Griffin	5
Grade 8	Ed Dougherty	4	West Canadians Director	Chris DeNova	3
Grade 9	Ritamarie Juteau	5	Yearbook	Vicki Petro	2
Grade 10	Emily Goggin	4			

ACTION ITEM: ACCEPT TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT AND TEACHER ON SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT (TOSA) CONTRACTS FOR 2026-27, AS PRESENTED

Motion was made by Mr. Amendolare and seconded by Ms. Lynch to approve the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to approve;

The Terms and Conditions of Employment contracts for the 2026-2027 school year as presented, effective July 1, 2026:

- Daphne Raymo, Confidential Secretary / District Clerk
- Kelley Crossett, Business Administrator / District Treasurer
- Dennis Lynch, Director of Facilities I
- Felix Ray, Transportation Supervisor
- Todd Hobin, Athletic Coordinator (TOSA)

All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0

ACTION ITEM: ACCEPT ADMINISTRATIVE ASSOCIATION MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT CONTRACTS (2)

Motion was made by Mrs. Crocker and seconded by Mrs. Northup-Lynch to approve the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to approve;

The Administrative Association Memorandum of Agreement contracts for the 2026-2027 school year as presented, effective July 1, 2026:

- Glenn Broadbent, Middle/High School Principal
- Christine Nofri, Elementary Principal

All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0

REGULAR MEETING ADJOURNMENT AND ENTER SECOND EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion made by Mr. Schatzel and seconded by Ms. Lynch to adjourn the regular meeting and enter into a second executive session to discuss the superintendent's evaluation.

All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0 **Regular Meeting adjourned: 8:37 PM** **Enter Second Exec. Session: 8:38 PM**

APPOINT CLERK PRO TEMPORE

Motion made by Mr. Amendolare and seconded by Mrs. Northup-Lynch to appoint Janine Lynch as Clerk Pro Tempore for the second executive session.

All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0

SECOND EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Mrs. Crocker and seconded by Mr. Amendolare to adjourn the second executive session and return to public session.

All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0 **Adjourn Second Executive Session / Return to Public Session: 9:39 PM**

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Mrs. Crocker and seconded by Mrs. Northup-Lynch to adjourn the meeting.

All voted in favor; motion carried 7:0 **Meeting Adjourned: 9:40 PM**

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President, Board of Education Clerk, Board of Education