

WEST VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 208

Board of Directors Study Session Minutes January 6, 2010

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Having been advertised as required by law, the Board of Directors of West Valley School District No. 208 met for a Study Session on Wednesday, January 6, 2010, in the West Valley High School Conference Room, 9800 Zier Road, Yakima, WA 98908.

Those present for the study session were: Sasha Kinloch, Mike Carey, Staci Verbrugge, Mike Meyer, Jim Roberts, Nicole Stine, Keenan Schoen, Dr. Peter Ansingh, Dr. Peter Finch, and Tom Fleming.

Others Present: Pam Berndt, Bill Oppliger, Tim Critchlow, Dr. Jean Seibert, Finley Faubion, Klayton Wyckoff, Joe Coscarart, and Jim Berndt.

Call to order: At 6:30 a.m. President Sasha Kinloch called the meeting to order.

Study Session:

The purpose of meeting/items discussed:

1. Sasha led the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Changes to the Agenda: Item B. Energy Education Procedures was tabled; Item D was moved to Item A.
3. Communications: There were two letters to the Board regarding the 2A/3A issue.
4. Finley Faubion, a WVHS student, did not support the move to 2A; the students he talked to did not either.
5. Sasha requested the Board reconsider its decision to not support opting up to 3A if our enrollment put us in the 2A classification; Joe shared he would begin the appeal process today at a league meeting; each of the Board members shared their perspective; there was a change in the consensus of the Board to support requesting to opt up to the 3A classification; Joe will continue the process and keep the Board updated.
6. Tom reviewed the impact of the preliminary budget released by the Governor; he then went through how the District receives funds for Basic Education classified staffing.
7. Peter outlined some parameters that need to be decided for the Board effectiveness survey; we need to decide a window of time to administer the survey and who, besides the Board, would be involved in the survey; it will be finalized at Monday's regular meeting.
8. WVEA Representative Pam Berndt gave her WVEA report; we have been contacted by PERC and we are looking at mediation dates the last week of January.

Adjournment was declared at 7:55 a.m.

Dr. Peter Ansingh
Superintendent

Sasha Kinloch
President