

West Valley School District No. 208

Regular School Board Meeting Minutes

February 23, 2009

After having been advertised as required by law, the Board of Directors of West Valley School District No. 208 met in regular session on Monday, February 23, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. at the West Valley Transportation Center, 7509 Ahtanum Road, Yakima WA 98908.

Board of Directors present: Staci Verbrugge, President; Sasha Kinloch, Vice-President; Mike Carey, Mike Meyer, and Jim Roberts, and Student Representative Joel Heiser.

Administrative Staff Present: Dr. Peter Ansingh, Superintendent; Peter Finch, Assistant Superintendent; Tom Fleming, Assistant Superintendent; and Nona Bunger, Recording Secretary. Also present were Terry Faletto, WH Principal, and Jim Fannin, MS Assistant Principal.

Call to Order - verification of quorum.

At 7:00 p.m., President Staci Verbrugge called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by Staci Verbrugge.

Changes to the Agenda: The addition of:

1. Action Items:
 - D. WVHS FFA Leadership Trip; Victoria, BC; May 27-30, 2009

Program - Math and Science Assessment Update

Peter Finch, Asst. Supt. - Learning and Teaching

Mike Brown, ESD 105, Regional Science Coordinator

At the last Board meeting, Peter updated the Board on the WASL reading and writing assessment data for 2008. Tonight he continued updating the Board with the math and science data. Peter explained that the focus for this school year has been to provide teachers professional development about the new math standards, to adopt new math materials for elementary and high school to be used in the 2009/10 school year, to align MS materials with the new standards, to provide students with targeted assistance, and to support teacher-leaders so they can continue to provide professional development to staff in the future. Also participating in the program was Mike Brown from ESD 105. Mike is the Regional Science Coordinator. He highlighted the ESD's regional efforts to

Program (cont):

help local districts. The focus for the future will be Literacy, Student and Program Assessment, Professional Development, and Instructional Materials/Resources. Mike gave the Board excerpts from the new science standards that are coming out soon.

Introduction of Visitors: Taylor Herrick, Jacob Munden, Connie Herrick, Amy Osborn, Joseph Campbell, Scott Betker, Rick Berger, Jerry Prescott, and Lucas Jaeger.

Communications: Dr. Ansingh stated he had received a WSSDA brochure about upcoming Spring regional meetings. He has also received a letter from the State Board stating the District was once again in compliance with the requirements of the Basic Education Act.

Approval of Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of Minutes
 - 1. February 9, 2009 - Regular Meeting
 - 2. February 18, 2009 - Study Session
- B. Approval of Vouchers and Payroll
 - 1. General Fund - Warrants #109832 - 110109
 - 2. ASB Fund - Warrants #10774 - 10830
 - 3. Capital Projects - Warrants #2197 - 2204
 - 4. Payroll - Warrants #110110 - #110162
- C. Budget Status Report
- D. Approval of Employment Contract
 - 1. Scott Hoppis - Head Custodian (MV)
 - 2. Bernice Monahan - Extended-Day K Parapro (SV) Temp.
- E. Approval of Travel Request(s)
 - 1. WVHS JROTC; Drill & Rifle Competition; Prineville, OR; March 13-15, 2009
 - 2. WVHS JROTC; Spring Camp; Ellensburg, WA; March 27-29, 2009
 - 3. WVHS Scuba Club; Divers Certification; Hoodspport, WA; May 22-24, 2009
 - 4. Dr. Jean Seibert; Jostens Renaissance Conference; Orlando, FL; July 16-20, 2009
 - 5. Jennifer Balderston, Lisa Petre, Gail Buchanan, Karen Atterberry, Susan Olden and Kimber Henning; 6+1 Traits of Writing Training of Trainers; Lincoln City, OR; June 28-July 1, 2009

Jim Roberts moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. MC 4-0 with 1 abstention.

Action Items

- A. Memorandum of Understanding
 - 1. West Valley Coaches' Association Agreement
Mike Carey moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding. MC 5-0.
- B. Approval Call for Bids
 - 1. MS/JHS Fields Project
Sasha Kinloch moved to approve the Approval of Call for Bids on the MS/JHS fields project. MC 5-0.
- C. Approval of Policy Addition(s)/Amendment(s) - First Reading
 - 1. #5407 - Military Leave
Staci Verbrugge moved to approve the first reading of Policy 5407. MC 5-0.
- D. Approval of Travel Request
 - 1. WVHS FFA; FFA Leadership Trip; Victoria, BC; May 27-30, 2009
Jacob Munden, WVHS Voc-Ag Teacher, shared his reasoning for this trip to the Board. Mike Carey moved to approve the travel request. MC 5-0.

Discussion Items

- A. Elementary Bond Levy Update
Dr. Ansingh shared information on the upcoming bond levy activities: doorbelling, teachers are organizing sending out postcards to parents; all that can be done has been done. Now we hope and wait. Sasha asked Joel about mobilizing the 18 year olds at the high school to vote and participate. Joel stated he would follow-up on that suggestion.
- B. *WVSTomorrow*/Management Review Follow-up
Dr. Ansingh explained the concepts of the *WVSTomorrow* and the Management Review in response the Board's questions about what has been done in the past. Updates from the Management Review will be included in the presentations the Directors make to the Board later in the Spring.

Items Arising: None. Sasha stated that Ashley George was not present tonight because she is away on a zoology field trip.

High School Student Representative(s) Report: Joel reported on the following upcoming events: finals are next week, there will be a pep assembly this Friday to honor our District championship teams and preparing for the spring sports kick off. He also stated that ASB sign-ups for next year's Student Representatives to the Board are now being accepted.

Administrative Reports: AhV, WH, MS, HS

The reports from WH, MS, HS were included in the Board packets. Ahtanum's report was passed out at the meeting.

Superintendent's Report: Dr. Ansingh's report outlined the following items: Important Dates, Perry Tech Tour/YV-tech Tours, Employees-of-the-Trimester, K-12 Math Update, Professional Development Update, OSPI Assessment Update, Zaepfel Stadium Improvement. There was also an addendum that was added that included: Continuously Enrolled Students; State Board of Education Accountability Proposal; and Updated Elementary Standards-Based Report Card.

Board Reports/Board Development: Sasha stated she finished her School Finance class and again reiterated how much she now appreciates the Business Manager and his position. She also stated that some of our Board Certified Teachers were present recently at a study session where they presented an overview of the NBCT program to the Board. She passed out a handout from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards on National Board Certification as a resource of additional information for the Board.

Adjournment followed at 8:35 p.m.

Dr. Peter Ansingh
Superintendent

Staci Verbrugge
President