

## WEST VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 208

### Board of Directors Study Session Minutes April 8, 2009

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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, April 8, 2009, in the West Valley High School Conference Room, 9206 Zier Rd., Yakima, WA 98908.

Those present for the study session were: Staci Verbrugge, Sasha Kinloch, Mike Meyer, Mike Carey Jim Roberts, Joel Heiser, Ashley George, Dr. Peter Ansingh, Peter Finch, and Tom Fleming.

**Others Present:** Jim Berndt.

**Call to order:** At 6:30a.m. President Staci Verbrugge called the meeting to order.

#### **Study Session:**

The purpose of meeting/items discussed:

1. Staci led the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Peter shared there was information from WSSDA for people interested; the Board would like the information shared with the community.
3. A summary of the comments from the Community Forum were included in the Board packet; Peter was particularly interested in the Board's thoughts about late-starts for next year; if there was a loss of professional development time next year due to budget reductions, the Board might be open to late-starts or perhaps early-releases.
4. Tom shared a summary of the budget proposals from the House, Senate and Governor compared to our current funding; the District will need to make reductions in expenditures in the \$1-2 million range; the House and Senate are working on a compromise budget that should be completed by April 26; staffing for full day kindergarten and class size reduction continue to be priorities of the Board; information will continue to be shared with staff and the community.
5. Peter is currently working with the secondary administrators to determine administrative staffing for the 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade buildings; he should have a plan for the Board in a month.
6. The labor/management reports were included in the Board packet.

**Adjournment** was declared at 8:47a.m.

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Dr. Peter Ansingh  
Secretary of the Board

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Staci Verbrugge  
President