

West Valley School District No. 208

Regular School Board Meeting Minutes

October 8, 2007

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, October 8, 2007, Wide Hollow Elementary Library, 1000 S. 72nd Ave., Yakima, Washington, at 7:00 pm.

Board of Directors present: Mike Meyer, President; Sasha Kinloch, Vice President; Mike Carey, Steve Wolcott and Staci Verbrugge.

Administrative Staff present: Dr. Peter Ansingh, Superintendent; Tom Fleming, Assistant Superintendent; Peter Finch, Assistant Superintendent and Kristie Presler, Recording Secretary.

Call to Order - verification of quorum.

At 7:00 pm, President Mike Meyer called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by President Mike Meyer at 7:00 pm.

Changes to the Agenda:

None.

Host School Presentation:

Terry Faletto, Wide Hollow Elementary Principal

Multicultural education and diversity day were discussed. Mr. Faletto explained the program and daily activities they hold at the school to educate the children. A video was shown with parents and teachers that have presented programs on different countries to the students.

Janice Hatcher, WH counselor/psychologist, reported on the Good Character program. She showed how it is presented on a weekly basis. The staff receives a packet with ideas to implement in their classroom. An announcement is made over the PA system in the morning introducing the character trait that will be the focus. Ideas are also put in Wide Hollow's newsletter for parents to continue the program at home.

Introduction of Visitors:

Terry Faletto, Karen Craig, Janice Hatcher, Jerry Prescott and Jim Roberts.

Communications:

Nothing to report.

High School Representative:

None.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

- A. Approval of Minutes
 - 1. September 24, 2007 - Regular Meeting
 - 2. October 3, 2007 - Study Session
- B. Enrollment Report
- C. Approval of Employment Contracts
 - 1. Vicki Elkey - Office Paraprofessional (MS)
 - 2. Stephanie Gress - Office/Instructional Paraprofessional (ApV)
 - 3. Karen Henry - Resource Room Paraprofessional (WH)
 - 4. Melisa Krienke - Basic Ed/Office Paraprofessional (WH)
 - 5. Joann Mallory - Extended Day Kindergarten Paraprofessional (CW)
 - 6. Heather St. George - Night School (RAP) Paraprofessional (HS)
 - 7. Tracy Zepeda - Basic Ed/Office Paraprofessional (ApV)
- D. Approval of Leave Requests
 - 1. Megan Boswell - Language Arts Teacher (HS)
- E. Approval of Travel Requests
 - 1. WVHS Girls' Soccer - Quarter Finals State Tournament; Tacoma, WA; 11/9-11/10/07
 - 2. WVHS Girls' Soccer - Semi Finals State Tournament and Championship; Tacoma, WA; 11/15-11/17/07
 - 3. WVHS Band - WIBC Honor Band Western International Band Clinic; Seattle, WA; 11/16-11/19/07
 - 4. WVHS Football Team - State Tournament; Tacoma, WA; 11/29-11/30/07

Steve Wolcott asked for the following corrections on the September 24, 2007 meeting minutes:

- 1. Introduction of Visitors, Paragraph A is amended to read:
Teresa Fletcher instead of Teresa Foster.
- 2. Introduction of Visitors, Paragraph B is amended to read:
Collected data has shown that 92% of the incoming freshmen need to take remedial classes not intermediate classes as reported in the minutes.

Sasha moved to approve the Consent Agenda with the above noted corrections. MC 5-0.

Action Items:

- A. Approval of 4000 Policy Series Update
There were questions on the 5-day window. The secretaries asked to have this removed. The Board wanted to make sure that younger age groups get priorities for the early time slots for the facilities. Peter Ansingh will talk to principals to ask if this is happening. So far this doesn't seem to be an issue. Annual district report happens in October in the West Valley Schools Tomorrow. Page 12 distribution of materials was discussed. Other questions included Citizen advisory committee having a designee included and disruption of school activities. Staff handbooks were discussed in regards to non-custodial parents, repetitive wording in procedures and the Community Schools program was reviewed. Equipment and supplies committees were discussed. Page 58 under surveys research items were discussed. Mike Carey made the motion to approve the 4000 policy series with corrections mentioned. MC 5-0.
- B. Approval of Sprint Contract
Items of the contract were discussed including the FCC license, length of contract, account credits, etc.
Staci Verbrugge moved to approve the Sprint Contract. MC 4-1. Mike Carey voting no.
- C. Approval of Resolution No. 07-10-523 - Endorsement of EHJR 4204 (Simple Majority)
The Resolution and meeting were not announced in the newspaper. The Board asked that the Resolution be made at the October 17 study session and they requested an announcement in the paper and possibly a press release.
- D. Approval of Minimum Basic Education Requirement Compliance OSPI 1497
Days and times were discussed.
Mike Carey moved to approve the Minimum Basic Education Requirement Compliance OSPI 1497. MC 5-0.
- E. Approval of GCCM Contract Amendment
Tom Fleming shared that this is another step of the contract. Most of the bids have come in within the estimated cost.
Steve Wolcott moved to approve the GCCM Contract Amendment. MC 5-0.

Discussion Items:

- A. Community Forum Topics
The date of the Community Forum was discussed and possible conflicts. The Board would like to move the Forum to 11/26/07. Sasha reminded the Board that they needed to make a decision about student representatives. Jerry

Prescott wanted to have K-12 math curriculum discussed at the Forum. The Board wanted to make sure that the Forum would be advertised along with the math curriculum topic. The Forum would conclude with an open microphone session for any concerns from participants.

Items Arising:

None.

WVEA Report:

WVEA election was finalized. Amy Osborn was elected to president; Julie Edwards was elected to Vice President; Cody Freeze was elected to secondary at large. The group will hold their first meeting on Tuesday, 10/9 to discuss items and concerns.

Administrative Reports: ApV, CW, MV, SV, JH
Reports were distributed in the Board packets.

Superintendent's Report:

Peter brought attention to the summary that Sasha included in the Board packets. Tim Critchlow's letter was addressed and Peter asked the Board for their input on the letter. The Board made a couple of amendments. Peter distributed a salary amendment. He addressed the Board about the long-range facility plan.

Board Reports/Board Development:

Sasha commended Peter Ansingh for substituting for Lisa Bradford and teaching her 3rd grade class. Lisa received the day off for being honored as Employee of the Trimester.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:28 pm.

Dr. Peter Ansingh
Superintendent

Mike Meyer
President