

West Valley School District No. 208

Regular School Board Meeting Minutes

October 22, 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 22, 2007, Transportation Center Lounge, 7509 Ahtanum Rd., Yakima, Washington, at 7:00 pm.

Board of Directors present: Mike Meyer, President; Sasha Kinloch, Vice President; 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. Mike Meyer made a motion to excuse Mike Carey. MC 4-0.

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

Changes to the Agenda:

- A. Approval of Consent Agenda was amended by the addition of Paragraph D - Approval of Resignations - Subparagraph 1 as follows:
 - 1. Jill Noll - Office Paraprofessional (HS).
- B. Approval of Consent Agenda was amended under Paragraph E - Approval of Leave Requests - by a strikethrough of Paragraph 1 as follows:
 - 1. ~~Matt Sund - Computer Support Technician (IT)~~

Program:

Dr. Peter Ansingh, Superintendent

Peter reported on the Harvard Institute for School Leadership: Leadership for Large-Scale Improvement conference that he attended at Harvard during the summer. This opportunity was provided by ESD 105 and West Valley Board of Directors. West Valley, East Valley and Naches districts attended the conference along with members of ESD 105. Peter distributed a PowerPoint presentation. The focus of the conference was on school learning and improving teacher instruction. They worked on developing a theory of action,

Program (cont.):

areas of action and how to communicate, develop and implement that theory. Peter gave an overview of the schedule and presenters.

Introduction of Visitors:

Jim Fannin, Mary Wenker and Jim Roberts.

Communications:

Nothing to report.

High School Representative(s):

Melissa Trammell, Megan La Riviere, Samuel Eakin, Tim Kruse, Taylor Fannin, Sammi Mallory, Greg Kearby, George Parsons, and Alex Lacey. The students shared they now have a Duke and Duchess picked from the Special Education program at the HS for homecoming each year. They discussed the various activities during homecoming week. Twirp is this weekend. They talked about their input in the school announcements. The Special Ed program was discussed as well as participation by the high school clubs in Operation Harvest. The Board took this opportunity to announce that they will be adding high school representatives to the West Valley School Board. The Board is still working out the details, but they hope to have the program implemented by the end of the 2007/2008 school year.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

- A. Approval of Minutes
 - 1. October 8, 2007 - Regular Meeting
 - 2. October 17, 2007 - Study Session
- B. Approval of Vouchers & Payroll
- C. Approval of Employment Contracts
 - 1. Norma Follingstad - Basic Ed Paraprofessional (SV) Temp 07-08
 - 2. Linda Mutch - SPED Paraprofessional (JHS)
 - 3. Lisa Ford - Self-Contained Paraprofessional (HS)
 - 4. Jill Noll - Athletic Department Paraprofessional (HS) +2 hrs
 - 5. Jack Van Vleck - Alternative Ed Teacher (JHS) .82 FTE
 - 6. Mentor Teachers (Tap II) 2007-2008 School Year
 - 7. Craig Spaeth - Volunteer Coach (JHS)
- D. Approval of Resignations
 - 1. Jill Noll - Office Paraprofessional (HS)
- E. Approval of Leave Requests
 - 1. ~~Matt Sund - Computer Support Technician (IT)~~
 - 2. Mande Burton - 2nd Grade Teacher (MV)

Sasha Kinloch moved to approve the Consent Agenda. MC 4-0.

Discussion Items:

- A. Advancement via Individual Determination (AVID)
Peter Ansingh reviewed the AVID program and asked the Board if they wanted to proceed and implement the program at West Valley and what the timeframe might be. The Board decided to table the AVID program.
- B. 5000 Policy Series
The Board did not request any changes or additions.

Items Arising:

None.

WVEA Report:

WVEA representatives were not present.

Administrative Reports: AHT, WH, MS, HS

Reports were distributed in the Board packets. Sasha mentioned that she appreciated the parent survey that the MS distributed for the Advanced Learning program.

Superintendent's Report:

The report was included in the Board packets.

Board Reports/Board Development:

Sasha invited all the students and visitors to the Community Forum on November 26th at 7:00 pm at the West Valley Jr. High School.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Dr. Peter Ansingh
Superintendent

Mike Meyer
President