

WEST VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 208

Board of Directors Study Session Meeting Minutes Monday, August 3, 2020

Having been advertised as required by law, the Board of Directors of West Valley School District No. 208 met for a Study Session on Monday, August 3, 2020, at 4:30 p.m. via Zoom ID# 993 4818 7145, later changed to Zoom Webinar ID# 910 1545 1383.

Those present for the Study Session were: President Mike Meyer, Michael Thorner, Dave Jaeger, Mark Strong, Melissa Robertson, Superintendent Mike Brophy, Assistant Superintendent Angela Von Essen, Assistant Superintendent Peter Finch, Futures and Innovations Director Chris Nesmith, Human Resource Director Randy Souers, and Recording Secretary Stephanie Smith.

Call to order: At 4:30 p.m., President Mike Meyer called the meeting to order. Due to unauthorized and disruptive behavior from one of the attendees, the meeting was paused at 4:34 p.m. and moved to a different Zoom Webinar ID: 910 1545 1383 reconvening at 4:50 p.m. Known participants were provided the new meeting information to ensure their attendance.

Changes to the Agenda: There were no changes.

Communications: There were none.

Work Session Topics:

The Central Office/Board Members Goal-Setting Retreat was held to review each administrators' area of responsibility on what was accomplished in 2019-20 and plan for 2020-21.

A. Human Resources

Randy Souers gave a brief overview of his five-person staff, their daily routines, training, professional development, and responsibilities during the COVID-19 shutdown.

B. Innovation and Futures

Chris Nesmith provided a PowerPoint presentation, reviewing the 2019-20 Objectives: Redefining Ready, College Ready, Career Ready, Life Ready, Career Connect Washington, Alternative Learning, Teacher Technology Support, and District Data. He addressed comments and questions from the Board.

C. Business and Operations

Angela Von Essen provided a list of 2019-20 Highlights, 2020-21 Plans, and challenges. She commented that she has enjoyed working with Minerva Pardo on a District Mental Health Plan Development, commenting on the increased need.

D. Learning and Teaching

Peter Finch provided an overview of the District's 5 Steps to Student Success through engaged learning. He addressed comments and questions from the Board.

E. Overview of 2019-20

Mike Brophy provided an overview of the work accomplished during the 2019-20 school year.

F. Board Goals Overview

Mike gave an overview of the 2019-20 Board Goals. The Board discussed goals they would like to see continued for the 2020-21 school year. Mike will compile the list of the board-directed goals to present at a later date.

Mike Brophy informed the Board that the Boundary Change Proposal is being pushed back to the September 22, 2020 study session, allowing parents time to adjust to the start of the 2020-21 school year.

Dave Jaeger stated that the Board didn't have all the background information on the moving of portables to Ahtanum and Mountainview when they approved Resolution # 20-07-707 Transfer of Funds on July 14, 2020. Mr. Jaeger requested that the topic be added to a later meeting so that Tim Critchlow can be present for the discussion.

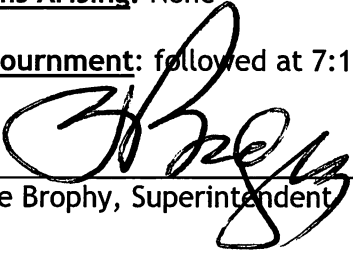
Michael Thorner expressed that he supports moving the Re-Boundary Proposal to September 2020 to ensure the opening of the school year gets off to a good start. He asked if a revised timeline would be communicated out to the community. Dr. Brophy will get the information out to parents and community members.

Michael Thorner stated the community has a lot of questions in regards to the plans for future use of the Freshman Campus, wondering if the District has made a decision and going forward with it being an Innovative School. Mike Brophy stated that a decision had not been made. The Long-Range Facilities Committee will be providing their recommendation for the building's use.


Michael Thorner asked for a timeline and checklist to ensure District policies are being implemented and followed.

Items Arising: None

Adjournment: followed at 7:11 p.m.



Mike Brophy, Superintendent



Mike Meyer, President