

West Valley School District No. 208

Closed Session and Regular School Board Meeting Minutes May 14, 2018

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, May 14, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. in the library at West Valley High School, 9800 Zier Road, Yakima, WA 98908.

Board of Directors present: President Michael Thorner, Mike Meyer, Mark Strong, Dave Jaeger, and Jeffrey Smith.

Administrative Staff present: Superintendent Mike Brophy, Assistant Superintendent Angela Von Essen, Assistant Superintendent Peter Finch and Recording Secretary Lori Jones.

Call to Order: The board met in closed session to discuss Collective Bargaining with no action to follow. At 7:03 p.m., President Michael Thorner called this meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance: Michael Thorner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Changes to the Agenda: There were no changes to the agenda.

Communications: Dr. Brophy introduced Brenda Sanders, who is currently serving as an intern under the direction of Dr. Brophy. The Admin Retreat will be held August 7, 8 and 9, 2018. The Data Summit originally scheduled for May 29, 2018 has been changed to June 11, 2018. The Superintendent's Evaluation documentation for 2017-18 was provided to the Board along with their board meeting packet.

High School Student Report: Student Representatives were not present.

Introduction of Visitors/Public Comment:

Visitors present were: Minerva Pardo, Lexi Catlin, Ben McMurry, Justin Wright, Klayton Wyckoff, Jeff Jamieson, Russ Tuman, Kristin Johnson, Sarah Flickinger, Richard Pryor, Chris Nesmith, Jerry Prescott, Ryan Matthews, Heidi Sutton, Brenda Sanders, and Michael Moore.

At 7:06 p.m., Michael Thorner opened the meeting to comments, questions and/or concerns from the audience. Kristin Johnson, Secretary of the West Valley Education Association (WVEA) stated the WVEA Executive Board executed a petition which has been signed by certificated staff from each building. The petition states that every certificated staff deserves a classroom. Therefore, they encourage the Board to approve adding a portable at Apple Valley Elementary which will allow for the needed classroom space for next year.

Michael Thorner closed the public forum at 7:10 p.m.

Host School Presentation/Program: High School Principal Ben McMurry, along with Jeff Jamieson, Justin Wright, Sarah Flickinger and Klayton Wyckoff presented the different forms of academic support, tutoring, and peer mentorship through a three-tier intervention process that is currently being used at the High School.

Discussion Items: Dr. Brophy introduced the team to present the Foster Greater Levels of Parent Involvement program. Minerva Pardo, Family Engagement Coordinator, explained the various efforts made to keep English Language Learner (ELL) families engaged, informed, and educated; Lexi Catlin, Special Programs Director, discussed the continuous work being done to increase family engagement and to provide families with opportunities to learn more about the programs used by our students; Richard Pryor, Ahtanum Elementary Principal, spoke about the parent involvement opportunities offered by the elementary schools,

such as open houses, PTA events, and principal engagement with students and parents; Russ Tuman, Middle Level Campus (MLC) Principal, shared the various programs and activities to increase the MLC parent, student, staff and community involvement; Chris Nesmith, Innovation and Futures Director, spoke about our student and parent programs providing opportunities connected to Career Pathways, Freshman Parent Nights, and FAFSA Parent Nights.

Action Items:

- A. Approval of Minutes April 23, 2018
Mike Meyer made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. MC 5-0

- B. Travel Requests
 - 1. Lynda Wall, World Music Drumming Training, Coeur D'Alene, ID, July 15-20, 2018
 - 2. Barbara Kipperman, Library of Congress Summer Institute, Washington, DC, July 15-21, 2018
 - 3. Jason Timm, Girls Soccer Varsity Retreat, Camp Dudley, August 24-25, 2018
 - 4. Amy Osborn, Walsworth Yearbook Camp, University of Puget Sound, Tacoma, WA
July 13-16, 2018
 - 5. Nick Hartman, Jesse Golbek, Model Schools Conference, Orlando, FL June 23-28, 2018
 - 6. Arin Lee, John Baugh, Amber Caffrey, SDE National Conference, Las Vegas, NV
July 8-14, 2018
 - 7. Miranda Burton, Nicole Olden, Get Your Teach on National Convention, San Diego, CA,
June 24-28, 2018
 - 8. Dan Eyman, Boise State Football Camp, Boise, ID, June 15-19, 2018

Michael Thorner made the motion to approve the travel requests as presented. MC 5-0.

Items Arising: Jeffrey Smith expressed his appreciation of the Board's approval of his leave of absence. He also stated he would like an update on obtaining a portable for Apple Valley. President Thorner stated he will provide him an update shortly after the meeting.

Administrative Reports: No reports presented.

Superintendent's Report: The Superintendent's report has been updated. Future Board Meetings and Study Sessions have been listed in order to accommodate the accomplishment of Superintendent and Board Goals. The 2018-19 meeting schedule was also included.

Board Reports/Board Development: President Thorner reported that he participated in the interview process for the 2018-19 Student Board Representative. President Thorner welcomed back board members, Dave Jaeger and Jeffrey Smith. President Thorner noted that West Valley School District staff and students have dealt with several adversities in their lives this year and appreciates the support everyone has provided.

Adjournment: followed at 8:30 p.m.



Mike Brophy, Superintendent



Michael Thorner, President