

## WEST VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 208

### Board of Directors Study Session Meeting Minutes Wednesday, April 19, 2017

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Having been advertised as required by law, the Board of Directors of West Valley School District No. 208 met in a Study Session on Wednesday, April 19, 2017, in room 1245 of the West Valley High School, 9800 Zier Road, Yakima WA 98908.

Those present for the study session were: President Michael Thorner, Mike Carey, Jeffrey Smith, Dave Jaeger, Mike Meyer, Mike Brophy, Peter Finch, Lucas Jaeger, Angela Watts, and Recording Secretary Debbie Chronister.

**Call to order:** At 6:30 a.m. President Michael Thorner called the meeting to order.

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

**Changes to the Agenda:** President Thorner requested adding Discussion Item C, Format for Board Meeting, Monday April 24, 2017.

**Communications:** Dr. Brophy explained the handouts: Policy 3130, Potential Levy/Bond Timeline, latest school/district achievements, 5 Steps to Student Success through ENGAGED Learning, Administrative Meeting Schedule, and the Advanced Classes flyer.

Dr. Brophy reported he has scheduled meetings with community members to discuss the West Valley advanced programs.

Dave Jaeger asked about the Middle School's advanced classes. Dr. Brophy explained the administration's schedule and plan for next year.

**Study Session/Special Meeting:**

The purpose of meeting/items discussed:

- A. Examination of Special Education Funding

Angela Watts provided an overview of the Special Ed State Funding allocations and how they are used, as well as how State and Federal direct and indirect costs are determined.

Lucas Jaeger explained Safety Net funding and the qualifying issues. West Valley did not qualify since the district's SPED funding did not show it was over capacity for 2015-16. Mr. Jaeger presented Board members the counts of Out-of-District students currently accessing

Special Services and suggested making changes to West Valley's Board Policy 3141. He also explained the placement of students with Autism in our district.

Further discussion continued on needs and wants for the SPED Department. Mr. Jaeger stated it would be beneficial to have a specialist, behavioral analyst, to work with a team and directly with students.

For sake of time, President Thorner moved the meeting to the added Discussion Item C. The 6:00 p.m. Study Session has been advertised and will be held in the High School Library, Monday, April 24, 2017.

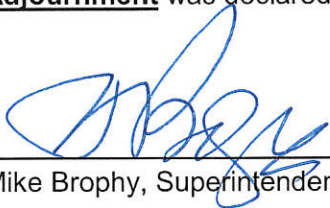
**B. Study on Contact Time**

It was agreed that Dr. Brophy will reschedule this item. Dr. Finch gave Board members an additional handout on Contact Time.


**Items Arising:** There were no items arising.

**Superintendent's Report:** Dr. Brophy's report was in the packet. The report included important dates, School Board meetings and Study Session topics.

**Adjournment** was declared at 8:17 a.m.



Mike Brophy, Superintendent



Michael Thorner President