

West Valley School District No. 208

Regular School Board Meeting Minutes Tuesday, February 9, 2021

After being advertised as required by law, the Board of Directors of West Valley School District No. 208 met in Regular Session on Tuesday, February 9, 2021, at 7:00 p.m., via Zoom Webinar ID# 819 2616 9721.

Board of Directors present: President Mark Strong, Michael Thorner, Dave Jaeger, Mike Meyer, and Melissa Robertson

Administrative Staff present: Superintendent Mike Brophy, Assistant Superintendent Peter Finch, Assistant Superintendent Angela Von Essen, Human Resources Director Randy Souers, Executive Director of Innovation Christopher Nesmith, Communications Director Nick Sybouts, Rick Ferguson, Ben McMurry, Eva Lust, Jeff Jamieson, Heidi Sutton, Lucas Jaeger, and Recording Secretary Stephanie Smith.

The meeting attendees are as follows: Rob Gross, Darcie Jamieson, Jill Armstrong, Abigail Ferguson, Brian Van Dyke, Kristin Johnson, Hasan Tahat, Adam Eldridge, Ryan Mathews, Keri Button, Peter Marinace, Tiffany Williams, Meghan Alderson, Susan Olden, Michelle Gaberman, Elder and Sister Fawcett, and Jamie Zeller. The list of attendees is attached to the minutes.

Call to Order: At 6:15 p.m., President Mark Strong called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance: Mark Strong led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Communications: Dr. Brophy thanked everyone involved with the WVEA negotiation process to get our high school students back to in-person learning starting February 16, 2021.

High School Student Report: The High School representatives were not in attendance; therefore, there was nothing to report.

Introduction of Visitors for Public Comment of Non-Discussion Agenda Items:
At 7:03 p.m., President Mark Strong opened the meeting to visitors for public comment.

Jill Armstrong, a District parent, thanked everyone for their hard work in getting students back to in-person learning. She stated what a joy it was to see students in the building while volunteering with the JROTC Program.

With no further requests to comment, President Strong closed the public forum at 7:06 p.m.

- A. Host School Presentation/Program: Rick Ferguson, principal of Wide Hollow STEAM Elementary, presented a PowerPoint on Wide Hollow's instructional focus, enrollment numbers, what is new, what is stuck from remote learning, and what is next for Wide Hollow. Rick thanked his staff, Child Nutrition, Transportation, and Facilities for their work. Mr. Ferguson addresses questions and comments from the Board.

- B. Timeline of Policies and Procedures - Mike Brophy, Angela Von Essen, Nick Sybouts, Randy Souers, and Peter Finch provided an overview of the Board Policies Timeline report included in the Board packet. Michael Thorner asked to add Policy Review to the agenda to be addressed at the monthly business meetings. Mark Strong requested that the policies with a financial impact be highlighted.

Discussion Items: Apple Valley and Summitview Walking Path Recommendation - Angela Von Essen provided an overview of the Bond Oversight Committee's (BOC) proposal to add a walking path at the Apple Valley and Summitview sites as part of the new building projects. The total estimated cost for both schools is \$115,000, including architect fees, installation, and overhead costs. Ms. Von Essen introduced Rob Gross from CBRE/HEERY to answer any questions regarding the estimated cost.

Mark Strong inquired as to where the money is coming from to fund this project? Angela Von Essen stated it would come out of the Bond project funds as a change order request.

Rob Gross explained we would know the exact cost when the design is complete, but \$115,000 is a reasonably high estimate. He is confident the quote will be lower, especially if the architect's work is done at an hourly rate.

Board members agreed and supported the proposal, and they are hoping to have similar work done at the other elementary schools.

Public Comment of Discussion Items:

At 8:11 p.m., President Mark Strong opened the meeting to visitors for public comment. Ryan Mathews stated the walking paths need to be accessible to the public, not blocked with locked gates.

With no further requests to comment, President Strong closed the public forum at 8:12 p.m.

Action Items

- A. Approval of Minutes
1. January 26, 2021 Study Session
 2. January 26, 2021 Regular Meeting
 3. January 28, 2021 Special Board Meeting
 4. February 1, 2021 Special Board Meeting

Melissa Robertson made the motion to approve the minutes, as presented. MC 5-0

- B. APV/SV Walking Path Recommendation
- Michael Thorner motioned to approve moving forward with the Apple Valley and Summitview Walking Path Recommendation, subject to future action from the Board regarding a change order for this project. MC 5-0

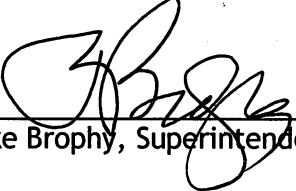
Items Arising: Michael Thorner stated he would like the School Board to start holding their meeting in person. Dr. Brophy said he would look into it and let the Board know if it's possible at this time.

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

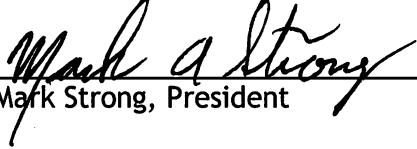
reminded the Board of the upcoming Quarterly Bond Planning meeting on February 25, 2021. Both Mark Strong and Dave Jaeger stated they plan to attend.

Board Reports/Board Development: None reported.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.



Mike Brophy, Superintendent



Mark Strong, President