

West Valley School District No. 208

Regular School Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 8, 2019

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, April 8, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., in the library of West Valley High School, 9800 Zier Road, Yakima, WA 98908.

Board of Directors present: President Mike Meyer, Dave Jaeger, Mark Strong, Barb Smith Gilbert, Student Representatives Grant Pickett, Sidra Yousaf, and Faith Sullivan.

Administrative Staff present: Superintendent Mike Brophy, Assistant Superintendent Peter Finch, Assistant Superintendent Angela VonEssen, Innovations and Future Director Christopher Nesmith, Communications Director Anjerie Nemrow, and Recording Secretary Debbie Chronister.

Call to Order: At 7:00 p.m., President Mike Meyer called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance: Mike Meyer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Changes to the Agenda: Mike Brophy requested adding the Travel Request for Christopher Nesmith as Action Item B.9. Copies of the travel request were provided for the Board members.

Communications: Blogs have been a means to provide more communication to the West Valley Community. Dr. Brophy said that his and Christopher Nesmith's blogs have had 1,759 hits per month.

Dr. Brophy also reported that the West Valley Virtual Academy's enrollment is 91 students.

High School Student Report: The student representatives gave a report on the current activities occurring at the High School. The National Honor Society Blood Drive is April 11, 2019; plans for Prom are progressing; Student Representatives traveled to Olympia to meet with different representatives; Ramapalooza is coming; and JROTC did well in their latest competition qualifying for Nationals.

Introduction of Visitors/Public Comment:

Visitors present were Jill Armstrong, Traci Cox, Tiffany Williams, Rebekah Olden, Keri Button, Nick Hartman, Telly Hartmann, Abby Stuck, Jerry Prescott, Eva Lust, Madeline McDonald, Stacey Drake, Ryan Mathews, Rhonda Hutton, Jeremy Freisz, and Jesse Golbek.

At 7:07 p.m., Mike Meyer opened the meeting to comments, questions and/or concerns from the audience.

Jill Armstrong, JROTC parent, provided photos of five cadets who participated in the Regionals Competition in Sandy, Utah.

Mike Meyer closed the public forum at 7:10 p.m.

Discussion Items:

A. Bond Sale Planning - D.A. Davidson

Jon Gores, Managing Director of DA Davidson, provided a Power Point Presentation on the Bond Sale Goals, Market Update, Financing Plan, and a Bond Sale Schedule. He spoke in detail about the bond sale process. Scott McJannet, attorney with K & L Gates, explained the bond delegation resolution, specifically addressing the legal requirements.

B. Financial Reduction Plan

Superintendent Mike Brophy reviewed the proposed \$2,709,973 budget reduction plan for 2019-2020 school year. He also provided a handout that addressed financial challenges for 2019-2022. He explained that this plan is needed because of a reduction in our local levy, increased labor costs, and the initiation of the

School Employees Benefit Board. The recommendation comes after several meetings held with Building and Program administrators. The people who will be affected were notified today. Dave Jaeger and Barb Gilbert Smith asked several questions for clarification. The Board directed administration to proceed in executing this plan.

Mike Meyer made a motion to excuse Michael Thorner from the meeting. MC 4-0.

Action Items:

- A. Approval of Minutes
 1. March 25, 2019 - Study Session ([attached](#))
 2. March 25, 2019 - Regular Meeting ([attached](#))

Barb Smith Gilbert moved to approve the minutes as presented. MC 4-0.

B. Approval Travel Requests

1. Kim Scacco-Morton / Danette Griffiths, Inland Empire Tennis Tourney, Spokane, April 25-27, 2019
2. Rob O'Brien, Districts Boys' Golf, Wenatchee, May 13-14, 2019
3. Rob O'Brien, State Boys' Golf, Spokane, May 20-22, 2019
4. Jill O'Brien, State Girls' Golf, Spokane, May 20-22, 2019
5. Ryan Massey, State Boys' Soccer, Puyallup, May 23-25, 2019
6. Danette Griffiths / Kim Scacco-Morton, State Girls' Tennis, Richland, May 23-25, 2019
7. Tyson Whitfield, State Boys' Tennis, Richland, May 23-25, 2019
8. Taylor Vance, FCCLA National Leadership Conference, Anaheim, CA, June 27-July 5, 2019
9. Christopher Nesmith, AASA Redefining Ready Cohort, Mansfield, TX, April 28-May 1, 2019

Mike Meyer moved to approve the travel requests including #9 that was added during the segment of "Changes to the Agenda". MC 4-0.

C. Approval of Bond Delegation Resolution #19-04-683

Dave Jaeger moved to approve the Bond Delegation Resolution #19-04-683. MC 4-0.

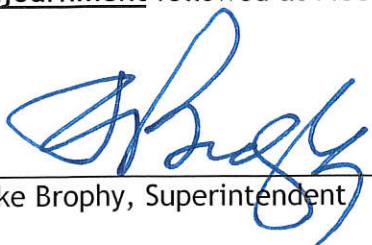
Items Arising: None.

Superintendent's Report: Dr. Brophy's report was in the packet. The report included important dates, School Board meetings and Study Session topics. He has advertised for people to apply to serve on the Bond Oversight Committee. It was originally discussed to have five members, but Dr. Brophy is not opposed to having more than five.

The applications for the Project Manager position will be reviewed on Wednesday, April 10, 2019 at 2:30 p.m. in the central office.

Board Reports/Board Development: None.

Adjournment followed at 7:58 p.m.



Mike Brophy, Superintendent



Mike Meyer, President