

WEST VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 208

Board of Directors Study Session Meeting Minutes Tuesday, March 28, 2023

After being advertised as required by law, the Board of Directors of West Valley School District No. 208 met in a Study Session on Tuesday, March 28, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the West Valley High School Library, 9800 Zier Road, Yakima, WA 98908, and Via YouTube Livestream:
<https://youtube.com/live/l6FboxKM0Gk?feature=share>

Board of Directors present: President Michael Thorner, Dave Jaeger, Mike Meyer, and Mark Strong. Mark Mochel participated via Zoom.

Administrative Staff present: Superintendent Dr. Peter Finch, Child Nutrition Director Magieline Benedicto, Transportation Director Jaimi Schmidt, Information Technology Director Jeremy Cox Communications Director Amy Forrest, and Recording Secretary Stephanie Smith.

Call to Order: At 6:00 p.m., President Michael Thorner called the meeting to order.

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

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

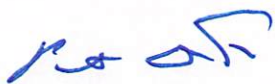
Communications: There was no communication to report.

Discussion Item(s):

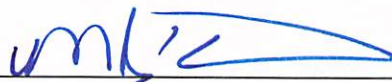
- A. Child Nutrition - Magieline Benedicto, shared info about the many programs including Farm-to-School, and, Fresh Fruits and Vegetables. Child Nutrition staff will engage elementary students with “taste tests” for new recipes in April and secondary students in May.
- B. Transportation - Jaimi Schmidt, shared info about the increase in the use of Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) on school bus routes. On many routes, older students have been trained to provide positive support for younger students.
- C. Information Technology - Jeremy Cox, shared the importance of cyber-security. Schools are entrusted with data regarding staff, students, and families. The IT Department continues to work with staff to identify “phishing” schemes and bring awareness to the importance of cyber-security. Taking email addresses off of the District website has decreased phishing schemes. With the new “contact” system on the website, a person enters their message for a staff member and the message is sent via email to the staff member. This is done without posting the staff member’s email address.

Items Arising: No items were arising.

Adjournment: The Study Session adjourned at 6:59 p.m.



Dr. Peter Finch, Superintendent



Michael Thorner, President