

WEST VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 208

**Board of Directors Study Session Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 8, 2018**

Having been advertised as required by law, the Board of Directors of West Valley School District No. 208 met for a Study Session on Wednesday, January 8, 2018, in the library of Ahtanum Valley Elementary School, 3006 S Wiley Road, Yakima WA 98903.

Those present for the study session were: President Michael Thorner, Dave Jaeger, Mike Meyer, Mark Strong, Jeffrey Smith, Bradley Liebrecht, Kristal Graham, Carter Graham, Ben McMurry, Devina Khan, Tarig Khan, Sara Khan, Brandi VanDeBrake, Russel Tuman, Ryan Mathews, Kristin Johnson, Jerry Prescott, Launa Olney, Ambria Boss, Tiffany Williams, Heidi Mochel, Trinidy Vocana, Phebe Vocana, Brian Vocana, Sarah Newman, Lexi Catlin, and Toni Paganelli.

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

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

Study Session/Special Meeting:

The purpose of meeting/items discussed: Board Goal - Online Learning within the 6 Period Day

Dr. Brophy introduced the West Valley teachers who had students there to demonstrate Online Learning in the classroom. Teacher Brandi VanDeBrake introduced Student Elizabeth Barela who participates in the Early Start Program at Apple Valley Elementary School. Elizabeth demonstrated the Rosetta Stone German course of which she is currently enrolled.

Tiffany Williams, Middle School teacher, introduced Sara Khan and Carter Graham. They demonstrated iReady, a program that does diagnostic testing to determine the students' level in Reading and Math. The program provides additional lessons in the areas students need improvement.

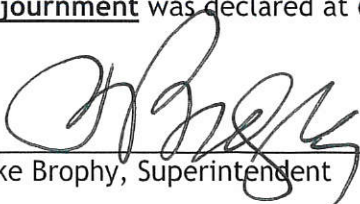
Bradley Liebrecht, Junior High teacher, explained the Actively Learning website which is used in the Social Studies Department. Teachers share information, plan, and create assignments and tests. Jessica Ridd demonstrated how the students use Actively Learning.

High School teachers Mike Berube and Jamie Nordstrom said the Math Department uses WAMAP, a free web-based mathematics assessment and course management platform. The instructors teach the students and use this program to develop homework assignments, quizzes, and tests. The software gives the teachers the ability to communicate and monitor the students' progress while they are in WAMAP.

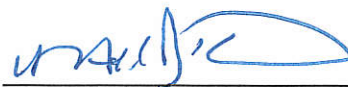
Ashley Lieberknect, Virtual Academy Coordinator, shared the various reasons why students take online courses. When enrolled in an online course, Student Bailey Cappaletti explained you still communicate with teachers. He then listed the necessary steps needed to complete/pass a course.

President Thorner thanked the teachers and students for their demonstrations.

Adjournment was declared at 6:55 p.m.



Mike Brophy, Superintendent



Michael Thorner, President