

West Valley School District No. 208

Regular School Board Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, June 27, 2023

After being advertised as required by law, the Board of Directors of West Valley School District No. 208 met in Regular Session on Tuesday, June 27, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the West Valley High School Library, 9800 Zier Road, Yakima, WA 98908, and Via YouTube Livestream:  
<https://youtube.com/live/xq8x2KYciVI?feature=share>.

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

**Administrative Staff present:** Superintendent Dr. Peter Finch, Assistant Superintendent Joe Connolly, Assistant Principal/Athletic Director Jeff Jamieson, Communications Director Amy Forrest, and Recording Secretary Stephanie Smith.

**Call to Order:** At 7:00 p.m., President Michael Thorner called the meeting to order.

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

**Changes to the Agenda:** An Executive Session - Performance of a Public Employee was added as Agenda Item #15. Adjournment was moved to Item #16.

**Communications:**

A. Response to Public Comment - There was no response to public comment.

**Public Comment of Non-Discussion Agenda Items:** At 7:02 p.m., President Michael Thorner opened the meeting to visitors for public comment, and with none, Mr. Thorner closed the public forum at 7:02 p.m.

**Approval of Consent Agenda:**

A. Approval of Minutes

1. June 13, 2023 Study Session
2. June 13, 2023 Board Meeting
3. June 20, 2023 Special Board Meeting

B. Approval of Vouchers and Payroll

1. General Fund - Check #241038-241182; 241241-241417; 241469-241644
2. Capital Projects Fund - Check #241213-241214
3. ASB Fund - Check #241183-241212; 241418-241443; 241645-241656; 241184; 241185
4. Transportation Vehicle Fund - Check #241215-241215; 241444-241444
5. Payroll - May & June 2023
6. Procurement Card Detail

### C. Financial Reports

1. Budget Status Report
2. General Fund Balance by Month and Year
3. General Fund Monthly Revenue and Expenditure
4. Fund Balance Detail
5. Capital Projects Fund - Balance Recap

### D. Approval of Employment Contracts

1. Employment Overview
2. Alcala Nares, Mario Bus Driver @ Transportation Department
3. Ball, Shannon Special Education Teacher @ Ahtanum Valley Elementary
4. Boudreaux, Luke Summer Help @ Facilities Department
5. Cameron, Debbie Title I Reading Intervention Teacher @ West Valley Middle Level Campus
6. Clemente, Claudia Migrant/TBIP Summer School Specialist @ West Valley School District
7. Davis, Reyna Migrant/TBIP Summer School Specialist @ West Valley School District
8. Delozier, Ryan Track Coach @ West Valley Middle Level Campus
9. Durnan, Julie ESY SLP @ West Valley School District
10. Eyman, Dan Football Coach @ West Valley Middle Level Campus
11. Garza, Mikel Migrant/TBIP Summer School Specialist @ West Valley School District
12. Klippert, Joshua Summer Help @ Facilities Department
13. Meiser, Leah Migrant/TBIP Summer School Specialist @ West Valley School District
14. Mora, Jose STEM Manufacturing Designer @ West Valley Innovation Center
15. Nogaki, Nathan Special Education Teacher @ West Valley Middle Level Campus
16. Phillips, Jaden Summer Help @ Facilities Department
17. Rath, Cheyenne 5th Grade Teacher @ Summitview Elementary
18. Register, Kathleen Speech Language Pathologist @ West Valley School District
19. Rico, Shana School Nurse @ Summitview Elementary
20. Schmidt, Donald Summer Help @ Facilities Department
21. Stoker, April Kinder Teacher @ Mountainview Elementary
22. Streich, Serena Science Teacher @ West Valley High School
23. Stultz, Yazmin Migrant/TBIP Summer School Specialist @ West Valley School District
24. Sullivan, Faith 5th Grade Teacher @ Summitview Elementary
25. Terrell, Douglas CTE Robotics/Agriculture Science Designer @ West Valley Innovation Center
26. Troy, Melody ESY Paraprofessional @ West Valley School District
27. Veselka, Ruth Personalized Learning Educator @ West Valley High School
28. Zagelow, Kaige 5th Grade Teacher @ Summitview Elementary

### E. Approval of Resignation(s)/Retirement(s)/Separation(s)

1. Abeyta, Christine LAP Paraprofessional @ Apple Valley Elementary
2. Barnes, Tiana 5th Grade Teacher @ Summitview Elementary
3. Bolin, Teena LAP Paraprofessional @ Mountainview Elementary
4. Cameron, Debbie Principal @ Mountainview Elementary
5. Clark, Elizabeth Instructional Paraprofessional @ Apple Valley Elementary
6. Eldridge, Adam Head Track Coach @ West Valley Middle Level Campus
7. Eldridge, Tricia Special Education Teacher @ Cottonwood Elementary
8. Greene, Joreen LAP Paraprofessional @ Apple Valley Elementary

9. Johnson, Casey Softball Coach @ West Valley Middle Level Campus
10. Kephart, Amanda Paraprofessional @ Mountainview Elementary
11. Mulrony, Cassidy Instructional Paraprofessional @ Summitview Elementary
12. Rodriquez, Sinia Server @ Child Nutrition Department

**F. Approval of Leave Requests**

1. Cameron, Debbie Leave of Absence Sept. 26 - Oct. 13, 2023
2. Strunk, Brooke Leave of Absence Aug. 21 - Jan. 1, 2023

*Mike Meyer motioned to approve the consent agenda, as presented. MC 5-0.*

**Discussion Items:**

A. Use of Remaining Bond Funds and State Matching Funds - Board members discussed the use of the remaining bond funds and state matching funds. Board members expressed gratitude for civil discussions during the process and they said they would support the final decision.

**Public Comment of Discussion Agenda Items:** At 7:12 p.m., President Michael Thorner opened the meeting to visitors for public comment. A Community member asked that the District defease the remaining bond funds back to taxpayers, someone else asked that the District provide a monthly progress report on the progress of the capital projects.

With no further requests, President Thorner closed the public forum at 7:22 p.m.

**Action Items:**

**A. Approval of Resolution(s)**

1. Resolution #23-06-757 Bond Alterations

*Mike Meyer motioned to approve Resolution #23-06-757, as presented. MC 3-2.*

*(Voting Yeas: Mike Meyer, Dave Jaeger, and Mark Strong. Voting Nay: Michael Thorner and Mark Mochel)*

**B. Approval of Child Nutrition Bids - 2 Year Renewal**

1. Milk & Dairy Products
2. Fresh Produce Products

*Michael Thorner motioned to approve the Child Nutrition Bids, as presented. MC 5-0.*

**C. Approval of Travel Requests**

1. Peter Krum, Kirk Knight - Whistler Music Festival, Whistler, B.C.- April 18-21, 2024.
2. Kegan Powers - Iron Wood Thrower Development Camp, Post Falls, ID- July 12-15, 2023.

*Dave Jaeger motioned to approve the travel requests, as presented. MC 5-0.*

**D. Approval of Policy Addition(s)/Revision(s) SECOND READING**

1. 4060 Distribution of Information (updated title)
2. 4210 Regulation of Dangerous Weapons on School Premises

3. 5001 Hiring of Retired School Employees
4. 6815 Advertising on District Property (NEW POLICY)

Mike Meyer motioned to approve the *SECOND* reading of policy listed, as presented. MC 5-0.

**Items Arising:** No items were reported.

**Reports:** The following reports were included in the Board packet:

- A. Enrollment Reports
- B. Safety Report
- C. Travel Log Report

**Superintendent's Report:** Dr. Finch shared that he presented this week at the AWSP/WASA Summer Conference in Spokane and Stacey Drake, Minerva Pardo, and Debbie Cameron presented at the AASA Learning 2025 National Summit in Washington DC.

**Board Reports/Board Development:** None reported.


**Executive Session:** At 7:25 p.m., the Board moved into an Executive Session to discuss the Performance of a Public Employee, expected to last sixty (60) minutes with no action to follow. At 8:25 p.m., the Board reconvened into regular session.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.



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Dr. Peter Finch, Superintendent



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Michael Thorner, President