

WEST VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 208

Board of Directors Study Session Meeting Minutes December 6, 2017

Having been advertised as required by law, the Board of Directors of West Valley School District No. 208 met for a Study Session on Monday, December 6, 2017, in Room 2225 of the West Valley High School, 9800 Zier Road, Yakima WA 98908.

Those present for the study session were: President Michael Thorner, Jeffrey Smith, Dave Jaeger, Mark Strong, Mike Meyer, Dr. Mike Brophy, Dr. Peter Finch, Ryan Mathews, Heidi Sutton, Rebekah Olden, April Heiser, Tim Critchlow, Brian Piippo, Eva Lust, Kristin Johnson, Jamie Zeller, Steve Ashbrooks, Chris Nesmith, Ben McMurry, Tiffany Williams, Joe Boli, Della Boli, Heidi Mochel, Tony Farina, Jerry Prescott, Rod Pryor, Stephen Robertson, Russ Tuman, Tausha Stapleton, and Recording Secretary Debbie Chronister.

Call to order: At 6:30 p.m. President Michael Thorner called the meeting to order.

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

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

Communications: Mike Brophy provided an updated elementary school class count noting six years of enrollment and student growth. He also provided a map showing the proposed movement in Plans X & Y for specific neighborhoods to attend a different school.

Study Session/Special Meeting:

The purpose of meeting/items discussed:

Facilities Additional Information & Discussion from Prior Study Sessions

Dr. Brophy reviewed the Plan Z proposal listing the requirements, estimated boundary modifications for each school, and the pros and cons regarding these changes. This proposal would require redistributing students from all elementary schools to be a K-5 model. It would require moving 9th graders to the high school building. President Michael Thorner thanked Transportation Director April Heiser and the administration for their work providing maps and information on the proposals. Board members discussed with the visitors the issues surrounding the district and the development of a long-term plan. It was stated there are many considerations to be researched to determine the best education model for West Valley School District. Plan Z is not a viable option at this time.

President Thorner closed the meeting to the public and asked Board members for their input on a springboard proposal to the administration and community. The board agreed to the following for the proposal to be discussed at the Community Forum January 10, 2018: For Summitview Elementary School, add a modular building, remodel the boiler room to be a classroom for music, and restore the library. For Apple Valley Elementary School, remodel the library to

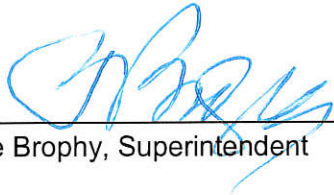
provide more instructional space. For the attendance area boundary changes, implement the proposed changes from Plan Y.

The Board authorized an expenditure up to \$8,000 for the Transportation Department to purchase a GIS Mapping Software.

President Thorner stated the need for a short-term Communications Committee and asked those interested to contact Dr. Brophy. Director Jeffrey Smith will represent the Board.

Items Arising: There were no items arising.

Adjournment was declared at 8:43 p.m.



Mike Brophy, Superintendent



Mike Meyer, Vice-President