

West Valley School District No. 208

Regular School Board Meeting Minutes Monday, August 12, 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, August 12, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the library of West Valley High School, 9800 Zier Road, Yakima, WA 98908.

Board of Directors present: Vice President Mark Strong, Dave Jaeger, Michael Thorner and Barb Smith Gilbert.

Administrative Staff present: Mike Brophy, Peter Finch, Angela Watts, and Recording Secretary Stephanie Smith.

Call to Order: At 7:05 p.m., Vice President Mark Strong called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted at the beginning of the Study Session.

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

Communications:

Angela Von Essen gave a brief summary on the progress of the Bond Projects.

She reminded everyone that the 2nd Budget Hearing will be held at the next Board Meeting on August 26, 2019.

Angela and Matt Whitish with Design West provided copies of three different options for the Gymnasium Studies. Matt gave an overview of each study options.

Dave Jaeger commented on an article published in the Yakima Herald Republic. Grant Pickett, our previous student representative was reporting on area veterans, their experiences, in the service and back home. Dave thought Grant's article was nicely done.

Dr. Brophy invited Board members to tour all of the District buildings the first day of school, August 27, 2019.

Introduction of Visitors/Public Comment:

Visitors present were Matt Whitish, Bradley Liebrecht, Chris Brewer, Steve Ashbrooks, Kory Voldman, Peter Marinace, Rebecca Rice, Jerry Prescott and Susan Voldman.

Vice President Mark Strong moved to excuse President Mike Meyer from attendance. MC 4-0.

At 7:15 p.m., Mark Strong opened the meeting to comments, questions and/or concerns from the audience.

Barb Smith Gilbert asked that the following correction be made to the August 5, 2019 Study Session Meeting Minutes:

"Assistant Superintendent Angela Von Essen introduced the new GC/CM, Kyle Clark of Chervenell Construction Company, who will be recommended for approval on (no later than) August 26, 2019."

Peter Marinace asked that the following correction be made to the July 22, 2019 Regular School Board Meeting minutes under the Communications section:

"Peter Marinace was elected as Chairperson and Hasan Tahat (Korie Voldman) was elected as Vice Chairperson."

Mark Strong closed the public forum at 7:19 p.m.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

- A. Approval of Minutes
 - 1. July 22, 2019 - Study Session ([attached](#))
 - 2. July 22, 2019 - Regular Meeting ([attached](#))
 - 3. August 5, 2019 - Study Session ([attached](#))

Mark Strong made the motion to approve the minutes with the corrections as noted above in the Public Comments. MC 4-0. Minutes with the corrections have been update.

Discussion Items:

- A. 2019-20 Budget Overview

Angela Von Essen provided an overview of the reports included in the board packet, and answered specific questions from the Board.

- B. West Valley Special Education Advisory Council (WVSEAC)

Peter Finch stressed to the Board that approving the (WVSEAC) could only increase our Family Engagement, which is a large part of our District goals.

Michael Thorner encouraged the Board to take action and publically applauded Peter Finch and Lucas Jaeger for getting this started and presenting it to the Board. Michael has a personal passion for supporting students with special needs as well as the parents of special needs students. He feels like this would be a great opportunity for these parents to engage with the School District and other parents, by not isolating parents of special needs students.

Mark Strong made the motion to approve the West Valley Special Education Advisory Council (WVSEAC) MC 3-0. Michael Thorner abstained.

Action Items

- A. Approval of Minutes
- B. Approval of Travel Requests
 - 1. Angela Von Essen, ASBO Board of Directors Meeting, Ashburn, VA-August 15-16, 2019
 - 2. Mike Brophy, Digital Promise League of Innovative Schools, Loudon County, VA October 15-20, 2019-Fall Convening, with Spring Meeting in March.

Michael Thorner reminded everyone that out-of-state travel requests must be authorized by the School Board one month prior to the travel date.

Michael Thorner made the motion to approve travel requests. MC 4-0.

- C. Approval of Construction Contracts
 - 1. CBRE Heery Project Management Contract
 - 2. Apple Valley and Summitview Elementary GCCM Contract with Chervenell Construction Company

Dave Jaeger made the motion to approve the Construction Contracts as presented. MC 4-0.

- D. Approval of Resolutions
 - 1. Resolution 19-08-694 Compliance with RCW 39.10
 - 2. Resolution 19-08-695 Racial Balance - Apple Valley Elementary
 - 3. Resolution 19-08-69 Racial Balance - Summitview Elementary

Mark Strong made the motion to approve the Resolutions as listed. MC 4-0.

- E. Approval of Policy Additions/Revisions
 - 1. Second Reading
 - a. Policy 5253 - Maintaining Professional Staff Student Boundaries

Michael Thorner made the motion to approve the second reading of policy 5253. MC 4-0.

F. Approval of Schematic Design

After a lengthy discussion in regards to the three gym studies presented to the Board, Michael Thorner made the motion to approve the Schematic Design with Gymnasium Study #1 as presented.

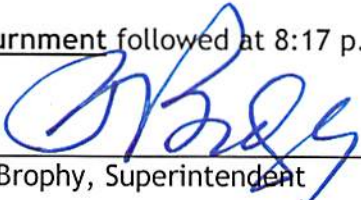
Mark Strong stated he did not agree with the motion to approve Gymnasium Study #1. Michael Thorner called for a vote. MC 3-1.

Items Arising: None


Superintendent's Report: Dr. Brophy's report was included in the Board packet. This report included important dates, School Board meetings and Study Session topics. Mike provided the Board with copies of the West Valley School Board 2019-2020 Schedule, 2019-2020 Superintendent/Board Goals with Washington Standards-Based Superintendent Framework and West Valley School District Honors/Awards/Achievements. Mike asked the Board to provide feedback on the Superintendent's Framework Standards and Strands at the upcoming August 26, 2019 School Board Meeting.

Board Reports/Board Development: None.

Adjournment followed at 8:17 p.m.



Mike Brophy, Superintendent



Mark Strong, Vice President