

WEST VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT #1
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
West Valley School, Library, 5:00PM
November 11, 2019

Board Members Present

Stephanie Nadasi
Cory Hill
Tad Lisowski
Marilyn Hedstrom
Jane Wheeler

Board Members Absent

None

Also present

Cal Ketchum, Superintendent
Cindy Foley, District Clerk
Guests in attendance: April Snell, Daniel Nelson, Karla Ryan, Tessa Blade, Steven Alejandro, Becky Davis, Tina Blair, and Richard Gross.

Chairman Nadasi called the meeting to order at 5:00PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Nadasi led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA

Cory Hill moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Jane Wheeler seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

MONTHLY BILLS

Jane Wheeler moved to approve the November bills totaling \$150,111.25. Tad Lisowski seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE/GUESTS/PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Stephanie Nadasi, Board Chair, read policy concerning the public comment that is allowed.

April Snell, Kalispell Public School's Board Member, noted Kalispell Public Schools are holding a search for a Superintendent with that position opening in December; the KPS Board will decide in January whether to run a high school general fund levy or not; and invited the West Valley Board to a social to meet fellow board members and receive an update on the KPS Superintendent search process.

Daniel Nelson questioned property owned by a board member and the taxes on that property. Mr. Nelson was assured that taxes are paid on the properties under two tax bills. The Board Chair recommended Mr. Nelson talk to the County Assessor if he has any questions.

Karla Ryan read a statement noting her concerns with the Standard Based Grading System implemented this school year.

WEST VALLEY PTO

Tessa Blades noted the PTO was meeting on November 11th and updated the Board on the Craft Fair to be held November 23, 2019 from 10 am to 4:00 pm.

WEST VALLEY TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

No report.

PRINCIPAL REPORT

Richard Gross extended congratulations to Becky Davis and Jaime Jones on the Veterans Day concert that was held on November 11; the staff jubilee will be held November 13th; a great deal of IEP meetings are on the schedule; the behavior intervention processes are going well with primary K-2 data being reviewed and using resources the best way possible for interventions.

Tina Blair noted that middle school conferences were held the week of November 4th; Pat Nelson, who has worked for Microsoft, Sun Micro Systems, and has been a computer science teacher, is volunteering to teach a trimester of computing in the middle school; information on the Danielson model for teacher evaluation and training was shared with the Board; inservice offerings held on November 1 were discussed; and the rocket rally is coming up.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Ketchum commended Becky Davis for her role in the music program given for Veterans and how wonderful it was; a key communicator list is being developed for the community who will share out information on the district; Interactive Marketing will give the Board a proposal on how best to get information out to the community concerning bonds and levies; seatbelts on busses was discussed and how that will look in the future including cost; a recycling trailer was purchased for the district to do their own recycling; a \$10,000 Safety Grant will be applied for on November 18th with the State; dyslexia testing will be done with all kindergarten students beginning with the 20/21 school year; and Policy Notes, along with new policies or policies recommended for revision, were given to the Board for review. Mr. Ketchum noted he will schedule a Work Session with the Board to go over the policies.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Out of District Attendance Agreements – West Valley students attending other districts
The Clerk presented 4 attendance agreements for students attending in Kalispell and Whitefish.

Cory Hill moved to acknowledge receipt of the Student Attendance Agreements. Tad Lisowski seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Budget Amendment Proclamation, General Fund

Cindy Foley shared that due to an increase in enrollment, per our October count, we qualify for a budget amendment to the General Fund which would provide us with an additional \$58,558.29 in Direct State Aid. The proposed Budget Amendment is for \$75,000 with \$16,441.71 coming from General Fund Reserves.

Jane Wheeler moved to approve the Budget Amendment Proclamation. Marilyn Hedstrom seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Budget Amendment Petition, General Fund

The Petition will go to the State Superintendent of Schools noting the Board is petitioning for permission to adopt a resolution for a budget amendment. Formal adoption of the Budget Amendment will occur on December 9, 2019.

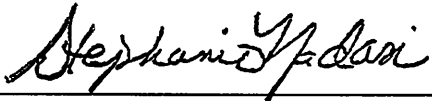
Cory Hill moved to approve the Budget Amendment Petition. Tad Lisowski seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

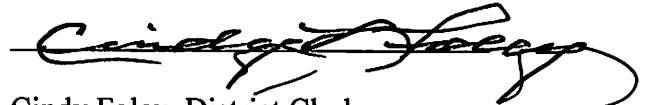
None

ADJOURNMENT

Tad Lisowski moved to adjourn at 5:48 pm. Jane Wheeler seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

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Stephanie Nadasi, Board Chairman

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Cindy Foley", written over a horizontal line.

Cindy Foley, District Clerk