

WEST VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT #1  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
West Valley School, Library, 6:00 PM  
March 9, 2020

Board Members Present

Stephanie Nadasi  
Marilyn Hedstrom  
Jane Wheeler  
Cory Hill  
Tad Lisowski

Board Members Absent

None

Also Present

Cal Ketchum, Superintendent  
Brooke Ells, Assistant Clerk  
Guests in attendance: Rich Nickerson (Athletic Director), Chelsea Belanger (3rd grade),  
Bethany Knudsen (3rd grade), Alicia Piquett (3rd grade), Steven Allejandro, and Angela Ogle.

Chairman Stephanie Nadasi led the meeting to order at 6:00pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Stephanie Nadasi led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA

Tad Lisowski moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Jane Wheeler seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

MONTHLY BILLS

Jane Wheeler moved to approve the March bills totaling \$167,103.60. Cory Hill seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE/GUESTS/PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Chairman Stephanie Nadasi read policy concerning the public comment that is allowed.

WEST VALLEY PTO

No report given.

WEST VALLEY TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

The 3rd Grade Team was present to share about a writing project they did with students. The writing project was an opinion paper. Students worked on creating two column notes and

writing plans. Two writing standards were met with this project, which culminated in a five paragraph essay. This project helped students prepare for the SBAC as well.

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Included in Supt. report because both principals are absent.

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Cal Ketchum shared that there are positions for SY 20-21 open in 4th grade, art and world language. There are 14 applications for 4th grade, a few for each of the MS positions. Interviews will be conducted on March 18th.

The master schedule is being worked on, and is almost done. Interventions are being tweaked to work better in the schedule.

SBAC testing is coming up, we are getting schedules ready. Teachers are getting certified to administer tests.

The new website is up and running, along with a new app. Admin and teachers will be able to get info out quickly. Soon, there will be a marketing push that will help us get the word out about it.

Cal Ketchum was at the NCCE conference last week in Seattle with Mark Wilson. Learned about E Sports, which gives kids a different group to be a part of at school.

The Admin team met with Tim Hubbard about marketing for the tech levy. Talked about having community meetings at Sable coffee.

Cal Ketchum shared that WV did a survey to K-3 parents about morning drop off at school to see how many ride the bus or are dropped off or walk them in. 187 responded, 105 are drop offs, 82 ride the bus, 25-30 walk in. Admin team is looking at options to get kids in the school both quickly and safely.

Cal Ketchum sent out a letter about coronavirus, and shared that we are keeping ourselves updated, monitoring and staying on top of it.

#### ACTION ITEMS:

1. Second Reading New Policy: 3550, 3650, 7215, 2151F, 4320, 5329, 5329P, 5330, 5430F  
Tad Lisowski moved to approve the policies on second reading. Cory Hill seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

2. First Reading New Policy: 8550  
Jane Wheeler approved reading of new policy and Tad Lisowski seconded.

3. First Reading Policy Revisions: 1420F, 1441, 4410, 5223.  
Marilyn Hedstrom moved to approve the revised policies on first reading. Cory Hill seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**4. Determination of Technology Levy amount**

Cal Ketchum shared notes from the Finance Committee meeting. WV School can do so much with that tech money, to get caught up and more so, to look ahead.

Tad Lisowski approves to accept the proposed amount of 15.22 mills, being approximately \$175,000.00 for the Tech Levy. Jane Wheeler seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**5. Consideration and adoption of resolution estimating changes in revenues/mills from tuition, adult education, building reserve, transportation, flexibility, and bus depreciation levies for school fiscal year 2021. SB 307**

Cal Ketchum shared the various things that need to be worked on with the building reserves: parking lot upkeep, pole barn, gym floor resurfacing, heating system maintenance contract, conference room in foyer, flooring in classroom and interior classroom remodeling.

Cory Hill asked about the conference room in the lobby, how it would fit. Suggested looking at other options.

Cory Hill moved to approve the resolution. Tad Lisowski seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**6. Cross Country Coaches - Tony Smith and Jake Loveless**

Cory Hill moved to approve the cross country coaching hires. Jane Wheeler seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**7. Leave of Absence Request**

Jaime Jones has requested a one year leave of absence to either take her child to the school for the deaf and blind or to update her home for her.

Jane Wheeler voted to approve the request and Tad Lisowski seconded. Tad Lisowski, Marilyn Hedstrom, Jane Wheeler, and Cory Hill voted in favor, Stephanie Nadasi voted against. The motion passed 4 to 1.

**8. Approval of Company for Architect/Engineering Services**

Cal Ketchum said that being there was not enough time between receiving RFQ's and this board meeting to interview those who submitted, that the Board wait until the April Board Meeting to move on this action item. The Board agreed; no action or vote was taken.

**9. New Hires - Shawn Olson and Carmen Brannan**

Cory Hill moved to approve the new hires, pending background check results and pre-employment physicals. Tad Lisowski seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**10. Classified Staff hourly stipend for College Degree**

Cal Ketchum is in support of this proposal. It is difficult to find paraprofessionals. It is a small token of the work that they do. A four year degree would get a .50 an hour raise and 2 year degree earners would get a .25 an hour raise.

Marilyn Hedstrom moved to approve the proposal, Cory Hill seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Proposal of Calendar for SY 20/21

Cal Ketchum thanked the calendar committee for working hard on this calendar. Cory Hill moved to approve the 20/21 SY calendar, Jane Wheeler seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

12. Athletic Director Salary Matrix Proposal.

Rich Nickerson, current AD, made a proposal for a salary matrix.

Cal Ketchum supports the proposal. This is in place for any future AD, a system for encouraging a person to stay in the position long term.

13. Staff intending to move over on the Salary Schedule for SY 20/21.

Claudia Anderson will be moving from BA+60 to BA+75, Sara Dankers will be moving from BA+45 to BA+60, Melissa Smith will be moving from BA+30 to BA+45, Molly Zier-McLaughlin will be moving from BA+15 to BA+30, and Tyson Hubbard will be moving from BA to BA+15

ADJOURNMENT

Cory Hill moved to adjourn at 7:06PM. Tad Lisowski seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

  
Stephanie Nadasi, Board Chairman

  
Brooke Ells, Assistant Clerk

