

WEST VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT #1  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
West Valley School, Conference Room, 5:00PM  
October 9, 2018

Board Members Present

Stephanie Nadasi  
Tad Lisowski  
Jane Wheeler  
Cory Hill

Board Members Absent

Wendy Field

Also present

Cal Ketchum, Superintendent

Cindy Foley, District Clerk

Guests in attendance: Emma Andrews, Haylee Sauer, Daniel Nelson, Angie Stinchfield, DeAnn Klein, Heather Roberts, Greg Lee, Kathryn Jentz, Beth Bartel, Kate Wilson, Richard Gross, and Tina Blair.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Nadasi led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

MONTHLY BILLS

Cory Hill moved to approve the October 9, 2018 bills totaling \$127,971.61. 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.

Daniel Nelson commented that not all West Valley emails are working for trustees; that Minutes posted on the website don't number the same as agendas on the website; and that he'd like to see the school budget on the website. Mr. Ketchum noted that he would check with our Technology Coordinator regarding the website and email concerns. Mr. Nelson was directed to the OPI website for all school budgets.

WEST VALLEY PTO

Various staff sign up to attend the monthly PTO meetings and a report will be generated to share with the Board in the future. It was noted that discussion at the October 8 meeting centered on the fall Craft Fair, Reindeer Lane and that the PTO is planning to fund additional playground

equipment and middle school basketball hoops.

### WEST VALLEY TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

Mr. Ketchum introduced staff members present that were new to the district. Haylee Sauer noted there are 77 students in second grade and this year the teachers are all sharing in the instruction of reading and math with each other's students. She stated this approach is going very well and the students are doing great.

### PRINCIPAL REPORT

Mr. Gross noted that small group instruction had begun and he gave kudos to staff in getting this project up and running. Inservice time was spent with Nelia Solberg reviewing testing and the evaluation of students to target their instruction; Teresa Schantin, Professor at University of Oregon, worked with staff to create a curriculum using Reading Wonders and other intervention programs.

Tina Blair shared that 8<sup>th</sup> grade members of the Student Ambassador group, along with our Special Olympians, will be attending MBI training in Polson on October 22, thru an OPI sponsorship; 8<sup>th</sup> grade History Trips will begin the 9<sup>th</sup> of November with a trip to Nine Pipes, the Bison Range, and the Peoples Center; and various fund raisers are underway with 8<sup>th</sup> grade selling wreaths, 6<sup>th</sup> grade doing a candy sale, and music selling cookie dough.

### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Ketchum shared the 31 standards and 3 domains of AdvancEd with the Board and noted that an all staff meeting will occur on October 24 to review these. March 11-13, 2019 is our scheduled review from an appointed outside team. The team will hold interviews with staff and Board, review the ELEOT observation tool, and a School Quality Factor List upon return from each parent and student in grades 4-8.

The Finance Committee will meet on November 12 at 4:15. Mr. Ketchum would like at least one Board Member on the committee along with the 2 Principals, the Business Manager, a Union representative, and parents; MCEL is taking place in Missoula on October 17 – 19; legislative updates will begin in January; the Board was invited to attend the NWMASS meeting with local legislators at FVCC on December 5, 2018, in the Arts/Technology Building; the Board agreed that Mr. Ketchum would complete the MTSBA survey regarding teacher recruitment and retention; and the Ignite Nation program is going very well for both staff and students.

### ACTION ITEMS:

1. Out of District Attendance Agreements – West Valley students attending other districts  
Six agreements were presented to the Board on behalf of students attending in Kalispell, Somers, Fair-Mont-Egan, and Whitefish.

Tad Lisowski moved to acknowledge receipt of the Out of District Attendance Agreements. Jane Wheeler seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Out of District Attendance Agreements – Student(s) Attending in West Valley  
Cindy Foley presented 1 out of district attendance agreement, for a first grade student from Smith Valley, to the Board for approval.

Jane Wheeler moved to approve the Out of District Attendance Agreement for the new first grade student. Tad Lisowski seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

3. New Hires: Bethany Bartel and Gregory Lee, Paraprofessionals  
Mr. Ketchum recommended the new hires as presented.

Cory Hill moved to approve new hires Bethany Bartel and Greg Lee. Tad Lisowski seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Boys Basketball Coaches: David Baker, 5<sup>th</sup> grade; Thomas Trinh, 6<sup>th</sup> grade; Clay Keller, 7<sup>th</sup> grade; Rich Nickerson, 8<sup>th</sup> grade

Mr. Ketchum noted that all coaches presented have coached in West Valley previously, with the exception of Mr. Baker who has experience coaching in Whitefish.

Jane Wheeler moved to approve the Boys Basketball Coaches as presented. Tad Lisowski seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

5. Modify Building Reserve Fund for year 2000 addition/remodel heating units

The Superintendent noted that a large part of the original intent of the Building Reserve Permissive Levy was for the remodeling of the science lab by an outside firm. When it was determined that it would be too costly to use an outside firm, Mr. Jackson, Maintenance Supervisor, did an abbreviation of the remodeling himself over the summer months. The need for maintenance to the heating units that were installed during the year 2000 remodel has become necessary and in order to use approximately \$33,000 of the Building Reserve Permissive Levy for this purpose, Board approval is necessary.

Cory Hill moved to modify the Building Reserve Fund for the year 2000 heating units. Tad Lisowski seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

6. First Reading New Policy: 4330F1, 8130, 8426, and 8426F

Jane Wheeler moved to approve the first reading of policies 4330F1, 8130, 8426, and 8426F. Cory Hill seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

7. First Reading Policy Revisions: 1401, 1420, 3141, 4330F, 5000, 5002, 5010, 5460, 5500, 6110P, 7260, 7320, 7530, 7332, 8123, 8124

Tad Lisowski moved to approve on first reading policy revisions to 1401, 1420, 4330F, 5002, 5010, 5460, 5500, 6110P, 7260, 7320, 7530, noted 3141 was approved in 6/2018 on revision, and deleting policy 5000, as well as not adopting 8123, 8124, or 7332. Cory Hill seconded. The

motion passed unanimously.

8. Individual Transportation Contract(s) – FSEC Preschool Student(s)

The Clerk presented two contracts for preschool students attending the special needs preschool at the Flathead Sped Coop.

Tad Lisowski moved to approve the Individual Transportation Contracts. Jane Wheeler seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

9. Fall Student Count for ANB

Cindy Foley shared the fall count as submitted to the OPI, which shows an overall count of 650, up from 624 in February 2018.

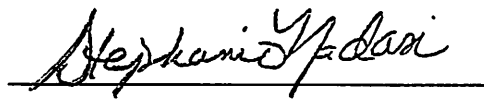
10. ASBO Conference Information – Cindy Foley

Mrs. Foley shared information from the Association of School Business Officials Conference she recently attended in Orlando, FL. Topics of interest were: P-Cards; Successful Mentoring; ESSA (Every Student Succeeds Act) and what that means to the financial reporting for the district; Office Processing Procedures for Deposits; Tax Reform re 403b's; Cycle Based Strategic Budgeting; and Health Care Reform.

David Baker, new History teacher, stopped by to introduce himself to the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

Cory Hill moved to adjourn at 6:32 pm. Tad Lisowski seconded. The motion passed unanimously.



Stephanie Nadasi, Board Chairman



Cindy Foley, District Clerk