

WEST CANADA VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2024
5:00 PM

Members Present

Jessica Bartlett
Sara Northup-Lynch
Peter Kemler
Janine Lynch
Ed Schatzel
Alisa Brewer

Others Present

Jeremy Siddon, Superintendent
Glenn Broadbent, MS/HS Principal
Kelley Crossett, Business Manager
Daphne Raymo, District Clerk
Christine Nofri, Elementary Principal
Felix Ray, Transportation Supervisor
Shelby Butler, Food Service Manager

Absent: Shauna Michael

THIS MEETING WAS LIVE-STREAMED THROUGH THE WEST CANADA VALLEY WEBSITE

CALL TO ORDER

Board President, Jessica Bartlett, called the meeting to order at 5:01 PM. This was an earlier start time due to Senior Sports Night.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

A motion made by Mrs. Northup-Lynch and seconded by Ms. Lynch to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the following consent agenda items be approved and/or accepted: meeting minutes Regular Meeting January 8, 2024, warrant report, CSE/CPSE report, treasurer’s report, budget report, claims audit report, and administrative reports (the administrative reports are given in person rather than written reports).

All voted in favor; motion carried 6:0

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion made by Ms. Lynch and seconded by Mr. Schatzel to enter executive session for appointment of personnel matters including review and appointment of employees and contract negotiations.

All voted in favor; motion carried 6:0 Entered: 5:18PM Exited: 5:56PM

ACTION ITEMS: PERSONNEL - RESIGNATIONS

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mr. Kemler and seconded by Ms. Lynch to approve the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to accept with regret resignation for purpose of retirement;

Name: Christina Wiatr
Position: Elementary 6th Grade Teacher
Effective: June 30, 2024

All voted in favor; motion carried 6:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Northup-Lynch and seconded by Ms. Lynch to approve the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to accept with regret resignation for purpose of retirement;

Name: Susan Kubica
Position: K-12 Music Teacher
Effective: June 30, 2024

All voted in favor; motion carried 6:0

ACTION ITEMS: PERSONNEL - SPRING COACHING APPOINTMENTS

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mr. Schatzel and seconded by Mrs. Brewer to approve the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: Mark Maxwell
Position: Head Coach, Boys Varsity Baseball
Salary: Step 4 of the extra-curricular index of the WCVTA bargaining agreement
Effective: 2023-2024 School year

All voted in favor; motion carried 6:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Northup-Lynch and seconded by Mr. Schatzel to approve the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: Brandon Grabowski
Position: Volunteer Assistant Coach, Boys Varsity Baseball
Effective: 2023-2024 School year

All voted in favor; motion carried 6:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Northup-Lynch and seconded by Mrs. Brewer to approve the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: Mike Kerr
Position: Head Coach, Modified Boys Baseball
Salary: Step 1 of the extra-curricular index of the WCVTA bargaining agreement
Effective: 2023-2024 School year

All voted in favor; motion carried 6:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Ms. Lynch and seconded by Mr. Schatzel to approve the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: Jamie Farrington
Position: Volunteer Assistant Coach, Boys Modified Baseball
Effective: 2023-2024 School year

All voted in favor; motion carried 6:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Ms. Lynch and seconded by Mrs. Northup-Lynch to approve the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: Ron Lindsay
Position: Head Coach, Girls Varsity Softball
Salary: Step 5 of the extra-curricular index of the WCVTA bargaining agreement
Effective: 2023-2024 School year

All voted in favor; motion carried 6:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Ms. Lynch and seconded by Mrs. Brewer to approve the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: Theresa Synakowski
Position: Volunteer Assistant Coach, Girls Varsity Softball
Effective: 2023-2024 School year

All voted in favor; motion carried 6:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mr. Schatzel and seconded by Mrs. Brewer to approve the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: Amy Dommer
Position: Head Coach, Girls Modified Softball
Salary: Step 5 of the extra-curricular index of the WCVTA bargaining agreement
Effective: 2023-2024 School year

All voted in favor; motion carried 6:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Ms. Lynch and seconded by Mrs. Northup-Lynch to approve the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: Alyson Good
Position: Volunteer Assistant Coach, Girls Modified Softball
Effective: 2023-2024 School year

All voted in favor; motion carried 6:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Northup-Lynch and seconded by Mrs. Brewer to approve the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: Ed Dougherty
Position: Head Coach, Boys Varsity Golf
Salary: Step 5 of the extra-curricular index of the WCVTA bargaining agreement
Effective: 2023-2024 School year

All voted in favor; motion carried 6:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Ms. Lynch and seconded by Mrs. Northup-Lynch to approve the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: Ference Sarus
Position: Head Coach, Girls Outdoor Track
Salary: Step 5 of the extra-curricular index of the WCVTA bargaining agreement
Effective: 2023-2024 School year

All voted in favor; motion carried 6:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Ms. Lynch and seconded by Mr. Schatzel to approve the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: Olivia McNeil
Position: Assistant Coach, Girls Outdoor Track
Salary: Step 2 of the extra-curricular index of the WCVTA bargaining agreement
Effective: 2023-2024 School year

All voted in favor; motion carried 6:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Ms. Lynch and seconded by Mrs. Brewer to approve the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: Kyle Swiecki
Position: Volunteer Assistant Coach, Girls Outdoor Track
Effective: 2023-2024 School year

All voted in favor; motion carried 6:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Northup-Lynch and seconded by Mr. Schatzel to approve the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: Todd Hobin
Position: Head Coach, Boys Outdoor Track
Salary: Step 5 of the extra-curricular index of the WCVTA bargaining agreement
Effective: 2023-2024 School year

All voted in favor; motion carried 6:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mrs. Northup Lynch and seconded by Ms. Lynch to approve the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: Dan Capron
Position: Assistant Coach, Boys Outdoor Track
Salary: Step 5 of the extra-curricular index of the WCVTA bargaining agreement
Effective: 2023-2024 School year

All voted in favor; motion carried 6:0

ACTION ITEMS: PERSONNEL – SUBSTITUTE APPOINTMENT

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Ms. Lynch and seconded by Mrs. Northup-Lynch to approve the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: Maureen Griffin-Damone
Position: Substitute Teacher, Teacher Assistant, Monitor/Aide K-12
Salary: Per the district approved rate sheet
Effective: February 13, 2024

All voted in favor; motion carried 6:0

ACTION ITEMS: PERSONNEL - FAMILY LEAVE

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Mr. Schatzel and seconded by Ms. Lynch to approve the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to approve; Family Care Leave;

Name: Rebecca McCaw
Position: Elementary 1st Grade Teacher
Effective: On or before April 19, 2024 with anticipated return date of June 3, 2024

All voted in favor; motion carried 6:0

ACTION ITEMS: PERSONNEL - TENURE APPROVAL

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Ms. Lynch seconded by Mr. Kemler to grant tenure to **Jennifer Karram** in the tenure area of Teaching Assistant, retroactive to February 2, 2024

ACTION ITEMS: PERSONNEL - MENTOR APPOINTMENTS

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Ms. Lynch and seconded by Mrs. Brewer to accept the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: Scott Bonney
Position: Teacher Mentor
Salary: per the WCVTA bargaining agreement
Effective: 2023-24 school year

All voted in favor; motion carried 6:0

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Ms. Lynch and seconded by Mrs. Northup-Lynch to accept the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: Ritamarie Juteau
Position: Teacher Mentor
Salary: per the WCVTA bargaining agreement
Effective: February 13, 2024 through February 13, 2025

All voted in favor; motion carried 6:0

ACTION ITEMS: PERSONNEL - APPR EVALUATOR APPOINTMENT

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion was made by Ms. Lynch and seconded by Mr. Schatzel to accept the following resolution,
RESOLVED, to appoint;

Name: Emily Looman
Position: APPR Evaluator
Effective: February 13, 2024

All voted in favor; motion carried 6:0

DISCUSSION ITEM: CAPITAL PROJECT

Mr. Siddon discussed the capital project and gave the board members a status update on the pool and auditorium portions of the project. The building tour was rescheduled until the next meeting. Mr. Siddon will update the board as new information becomes available.

DISCUSSION ITEM: BUDGET WORKSHOP III

Mr. Siddon included workshop materials in the budget packet for this month as well as the Executive Budget School Aid Proposal and the Save-Harmless Summary. Mr. Siddon spoke about Save-Harmless and the negative impact it would have on our district if it is removed. Further background into the upcoming budget and new information will be brought to the board members as it becomes available.

DISCUSSION ITEM: FEMALE SAFETY PRESENTATION

Mr. Siddon discussed a defensive tactics safety presentation that SRO Jamie Farrington is working on and would like to present to female students in grades 11 and 12. This information would be helpful to students as they go off to college or into the workforce.

DISCUSSION ITEM: ALUMNI GAME

The school received a request to host an alumni basketball game in addition to the Senior fundraiser basketball game that will be held in the near future. The liability of such events was discussed and it was decided that the Alumni game and the Seniors’ fundraiser game be held on the same night, Wednesday, March 20. The Alumni game will start the event and the Seniors/Staff game will follow.

DISCUSSION ITEM: UPK REGISTRATION

Registration for our universal pre-k program will be held in March. Discussions were held as to how to proceed if the number of registrants exceeds the number of students we are able to accommodate in our program. It was agreed that a lottery system may need to be initiated if the number of students registered exceeds the number of students allowed in the classroom. Mr. Siddon will keep the board members apprised of the pre-k registration numbers.

DISCUSSION ITEM: MASCOT COSTUME

Mr. Broadbent shared information about a local company that designs mascot costumes. Both Ms. Nofri and Mr. Broadbent would like to use a recent donation towards a school mascot costume to be used in both buildings. It was suggested that we get more information on the cost of the costume, and decide on ways that the mascot would be used in the district, before proceeding with the order.

DISCUSSION ITEM: GIRLS BOWLING STATE TOURNAMENT

Mr. Youngs submitted a request to the board members asking to use a 12-passenger van to travel to the state tournament in Syracuse on March 8, 2024 with no cost to the district. The GAA/BAA clubs and parents will split the cost for the one-way trip.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Mid-Winter Break - Monday 2/19-Friday 2/23/2**
- **Music in Our Schools Month Concert (5-12 Bands) - Thursday 3/7 @ 7:00 PM**
- **BOE Meeting & HFHO BOCES Budget Presentation - Monday 3/11 @ 6:00 PM**
- **Music in Our Schools Month Concert (5-12 Choirs) - Thursday 3/14 @ 7:00 PM**
- **Superintendent’s Conference Day -Friday, 3/15**
- **All County II at Richfield Springs CSD – Friday and Saturday 3/15 & 3/16**

ADJOURN

Motion made by Ms. Lynch and seconded by Mrs. Northup-Lynch to adjourn the meeting

All voted in favor; motion carried 6:0

Meeting adjourned: 6:36 PM

President, Board of Education

Clerk, Board of Education