

Vicksburg Community Schools
Board of Education
February 11, 2019 – VMS – 7:00 pm
MINUTES

Members Present: Wil Emmert, Deborah Harsha, David Schriemer, Tina Forsyth, Carol Lohman, Virgil Knowles

Members Absent: Rudy Callen

Board Secretary Amy Manchester

Administrators Present: Keevin O'Neill, Stephen Goss, Gail Van Daff, Alyssa Thompson, Amie McCaw, Ruth Hook, Rick Place, Don Puckett, Matt Hawkins, Adam Brush, Mike Barwegen, Maureen Ouvry, Karen McKinstry, Dennis Kirby, Matt VanDussen,

Guests Present: Sue Moore, Steve Thomas, Lisa Coe, Liz Ratashak, Cindy Johnson, VCS Robotics Team

I. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. VCS Robotics Teams - Eric Hackman

Control Freaks (VCS Robotics Team) gave a demonstration to the Board. The VCS Team did very well in competitions this year.

B. Student Enrollment - Count Day - February 13, 2019

Supt. O'Neill reminded staff about count day. No major changes from the fall count are expected.

C. Legislative Report

Supt. O'Neill stated that there is nothing new to report at this time with the current Governor just starting. Between 1995 and 2015, survey results showed Michigan ranked 50th in the country for school funding growth. On a positive note, school aid is projected to grow steadily this year and next.

D. Important Dates

Supt. O'Neill pointed out upcoming district and community important dates, including the new Rotary Showcase.

II. REPORTS AND PUBLIC INQUIRY

A. Business and Finance Report - Steve Goss

1. Budget Progress Report for the Month Ending January 31, 2019: Asst. Supt. Goss presented the budget progress report for January 2019, showing total revenues of \$10,673,120; total expenditures of \$12,419,409 and deficiency of revenues over expenditures of \$(1,746,289).

2. Bond Update

Asst. Supt. Goss updated the board on a technology contract included with the packet. The contract is to be funded with the 2014 bond funds. These are replacements for older systems.

B. Shifting the Culture - Matt VanDussen
Principal VanDussen presented the Vicksburg Middle School Annual Report. He expressed appreciation to the board for building improvements including the new windows and doors installed this year. He shared MSTEP and student growth data. Tutorial has been in place for over a year now and has had a large impact on students. He reported restorative justice has made a big difference in the school with students being able to talk and resolve their problems together. The MS operates as a Professional Learning Community ensuring all student learn.

C. Audience

No one wished to address the Board on a non-agenda item.

III. BOARD ACTION REQUIRED

A. Approval of the Following Meeting Minutes: A motion for approval was made by Emmert and supported by Lohman.
Motion carried unanimously.

1. January 14, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes

2. February 5, 2019 - Work Session Minutes

B. Approval of the Following General Fund Invoices Totaling - ROLL CALL VOTE: A motion for approval was made by Lohman and supported by Forsyth.

Ayes: Emmert, Harsha, Schriemer, Forsyth, Lohman and Knowles

Nays: None

Absent: Callen

Abstain: None

Motion carried unanimously.

1. January 1-31, 2019 (checks) = \$238,831.76

2. January 1-31, 2019 (wire transfers) = \$40,142.58

C. Approval for Disbursement of Funds for December Purchases Made Under the District's Purchase Card Program Totaling \$113,735.39 - ROLL CALL VOTE: A motion for approval was made by Lohman and supported by Forsyth.

Ayes: Emmert, Harsha, Schriemer, Forsyth, Lohman and Knowles

Nays: None

Absent: Callen

Abstain: None

Motion carried unanimously.

D. Approval to award contract for bid package VCS Series 3.5, Release 1, Audio Visual Upgrades to Universal Cabling Systems, Inc. at a total cost of \$191,746, to be paid for using proceeds from the 2014 bond issue - ROLL CALL VOTE: : A motion for approval was made by Forsyth and supported by Emmert.

Ayes: Emmert, Harsha, Schriemer, Forsyth, Lohman and Knowles

Nays: None

Absent: Callen

Abstain: None

Motion carried unanimously.

- E. Approval to Accept Student Enrollments through 105C of Public Act 94 for the First Semester of the 2019-20 School Year: A motion for approval was made by Schriemer and supported by Emmert.
Motion carried unanimously.
- F. Approval of Disability Leave for Bridget Reichow, Sunset Lake Elementary teacher, beginning approximately March 6, 2019 for 6 weeks and Unpaid Leave of Absence for 4 weeks: A motion for approval was made by Lohman and supported by Forsyth.
Motion carried unanimously.
- G. Approval of FMLA Leave for Leslie Trayers, Sunset Lake Elementary teacher, beginning April 8, 2019 for 10 weeks: A motion for approval was made by Emmert and supported by Lohman.
Motion carried unanimously.
- H. 2nd Reading Approval of the Following Bylaw and Policy Revisions - ROLL CALL VOTE: A motion for approval was made by Lohman and supported by Forsyth.
Ayes: Emmert, Harsha, Schriemer, Forsyth, Lohman and Knowles
Nays: None
Absent: Callen
Abstain: None
Motion carried unanimously.
1. PO 5111- Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident students
 2. PO 7540.02 - Web Content, Services and Apps

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Knowles adjourned the meeting at 8:24 pm.

President Virgil Knowles
March 11, 2019

Secretary Amy Manchester