

Vicksburg Community Schools
Board of Education
September 10, 2018 – VAB – 7:00 p.m.
M I N U T E S

Members Present: Wil Emmert, Deborah Harsha, David Schriemer, Rudy Callen, Carol Lohman, and Virgil Knowles

Members Absent: Tina Forsyth

Board Secretary: Amy Manchester

Administrators Present: Keevin O’Neill, Steve Goss, Gail Van Daff, Karen McKinstry, Adam Brush, Matt Hawkins, Dennis Kirby, Matt VanDussen, Amie McCaw, Ruth Hook, Mike Barwegen, Maureen Ouvry, Alyssa Thompson, Mike Roy

Guests Present: Steve Thomas, Dave Maturen, Sue Moore, Kari Wilder, Nicole Gutshall, Liz Ratashak, Lisa Coe, Laura Chang

I. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- A. Preliminary Enrollment Figures: Supt. O’Neill gave current enrollment numbers to the Board.
- B. Status of Open Positions: Supt. O’Neill announced that all positions have been filled except for the half-time ECSE position.
- C. Legislative Update: Supt. O’Neill placed a document in Board folders for member review.
- D. Michigan Teacher of the Year Tribute:
Representative David Maturen presented Laura Chang with a special tribute to honor her for being the Michigan Teacher of the Year. President Knowles thanked Dave for his support of the district during his tenure as District 63 State Representative.

II. REPORT AND PUBLIC INQUIRY

A. Financial Report – Steve Goss

- 1. Budget Progress Report: Asst. Supt. Goss presented the budget progress report for August 31, 2018 showing total revenues of \$225,414; total expenditures of \$1,745,028 and deficiency of revenues over expenditures of \$(1,519,615). He reported that the first installment of state aid would be paid the third week of October.
- 2. Bond Update: Projects are nearing completion with generally only minor punch list items remaining. Asst. Supt. Goss thanked Frederick Construction and the many contractors for contributing to a successful construction season.
- 3. Skyward Update: The system is up and running. Technology Director, Don Puckett, stated that over 1,200 unique ids have been created to date. Many parents signed up at the Community Tailgate and at individual school open houses. A reminder will be posted on social media and grades will be posted next week.

B. Opening Day Overview - Keevin O'Neill and Gail Van Daff

Supt. O’Neill reported it was a great opening day and he was able to travel to each

building during the day to interact with staff. Curriculum Director, Gail Van Daff, reported staff development with presenter Chris Jakicic from Solution Tree was very informative. The PD focused on creating assessments to measure the standards. Jakicic was an engaging speaker and staff feedback was positive. The November and March PD days will continue working on that plan. A financial planner spoke to staff about the pension plan and planning for the future. This was also considered to be very helpful with relevant information shared.

- C. Audience: No one wished to address the Board on a non-agenda item.
- D. Transportation Dept. Annual Report: Transportation Director, Karen McKinstry, presented the 2017-2018 Transportation Report.
- E. Athletic Dept. Annual Report: Athletic Director, Mike Roy, presented the 2017-2018 Athletic Report.

III. BOARD ACTION REQUESTED

- A. Approval of the Following Board Meeting Minutes: A motion for approval was made by Emmert and Supported by Callen.
Motion carried unanimously.
 - 1. August 13, 2018 - Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- B. Approval of the Following General Fund Invoices for the Month of August Totaling \$119,543.63 - ROLL CALL VOTE: A motion for approval was made by Lohman and supported by Emmert.
Ayes: Emmert, Harsha, Callen, Lohman, Schriemer, and Knowles
Nays: None
Absent: Forsyth
Abstain: None
Motion carried unanimously.
 - 1. August, 2018
- C. Approval of Payment of Purchase Card Disbursements for August 2018 in the Amount of \$183,688.75 - ROLL CALL VOTE: A motion for approval was made by Lohman and supported by Schriemer.
Ayes: Emmert, Harsha, Callen, Lohman, Schriemer, and Knowles
Nays: None
Absent: Forsyth
Abstain: None
Motion carried unanimously.
- D. Approval of the Following Teacher Contracts Upon Results of State and Federal Record and Unprofessional Conduct Checks: A motion for approval was made by Emmert and Supported by Schriemer.
Motion carried unanimously.
 - 1. Laura Richardson - MS Math - MA Step 1
 - 2. Sarah Fleming - IL Speech & Language - MA Step 7
 - 3. Jori Machiela - IL 3rd Grade - MA Step 3
 - 4. Angie First - HS Agri-science - BA Step 3
 - 5. Marissa Chiodo - MS English - BA Step 1

6. Jennifer Schmidtendorff - IL Special Ed - MA Step 8
- E. Approval of resignation of IL & TY Behavior Consultant/School Counselor, Julie Sorenson effective immediately: A motion for approval was made by Lohman and Supported by Callen.
Motion carried unanimously.
- F. Approval of VHS FFA student member field trip to attend the 91st FFA National Convention in Indianapolis, IN. All expenses to be paid by students: A motion for approval was made by Callen and Supported by Emmert.
Motion carried unanimously.
- G. 2nd Reading Approval of the Following Revised or New Bylaws/Policies - ROLL CALL VOTE: A motion for approval was made by Lohman and supported by Callen.
Ayes: Emmert, Harsha, Callen, Lohman, Schriemer, and Knowles
Nays: None
Absent: Forsyth
Abstain: None
Motion carried unanimously.
1. P5111 - Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students
 2. P7540.02 - District Web Page
 3. P8321 - Criminal Justice Information Security

There being no other business to come before the Board, President Knowles adjourned the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

President Virgil Knowles
October 8, 2018

Secretary Amy Manchester