

Regular Meeting
Monday, September 8, 2025 7:00 PM

Vicksburg Administration Building
301 S. Kalamazoo St.
Vicksburg, MI 49097

Minutes

Board Members Present: Lisa Hostetler, Dave Schriemer, Stephanie Willoughby, Dan Grabowski, Tina Forsyth, Rick Burmeister
Board Members Absent: Ron Centofanti
Board Secretary: Tamara Young
Administrators Present: Keevin O'Neill, Steve Goss, Dewey Waterman, Amie McCaw, Matt Hawkins, Adam Brush, Allison Dygert, Alyssa Thompson, Mike Roy, Sarah Bacalia, Bill Dygert, Joe Werkema, Jen Teall
Guests Present: See attached sign in sheet.

President Schriemer called to order at 7:00 pm. He welcomed everyone and spoke about attending the staff opener and the Sunset Lake open house. He then turned it over to Superintendent O'Neill.

I. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Supt O'Neill thanked Schriemer for his comments during the opener. He talked about how the energy and positivity has been fantastic. He thanked Alyssa Thompson and the community education staff for the community tailgate. It was well attended and truly celebrated our community. Supt O'Neill explained the "unsung hero" award given every year at the opener. This year's recipient was Saleem Ismail. Saleem wrote a very nice card to the board and staff, which O'Neill read aloud.

I.A. Legislative Update. Lansing is quiet. Nothing on the budget. County superintendents wrote a letter which was released, encouraging them to get the budget done.

Enrollment data, preliminary. 2512 is our current enrollment, last year at this time was 2560.

I.B. Important Dates. Next week is homecoming. Powder puff is next Monday. The parade is next Friday. Assembly is at 1:45 in the stadium. Count day and first half day is included.

I.C. Staffing Update

I.C.1. Resignation of Lourdes Puzevic - HR Director

II. REPORTS AND PUBLIC INQUIRY

II.A. Budget and Finance Report - Steve Goss gave a brief report which includes July and August.

II.B. Investment Holdings Update - Steve Goss presented the investments as of August 31st. They are broken down by fund.

II.C. Accounts Payable Reports

II.D. FFA National Convention in Indianapolis (October 28-31) - Laura Hayman is a teacher at the HS. She is asking permission to take the students on this annual trip. School provides transportation costs, students are in charge of their own fees. They do have fund raisers planned, including one at TSC this weekend. 8 students hope to attend.

II.E. VCS Athletics Annual Report - Mike Roy presented. He gave lots of thank yous. He read the mission statement which guides his department. He highlighted the opportunities we have had to showcase our facilities and communities. He handed out season summaries for each sport. Schriemer asked questions about the fueling station. Roy reported it is low right now. He's working with the boosters and searching for grants to fund the program. Burmeister asked about facilities and possible upgrades. Roy reported the tennis courts and auxiliary gym are his two high priority areas. Willoughby asked about the cheer team and their space to practice. Roy reported they have secured the old elementary school in Schoolcraft for this year. (Nov - March). Schriemer complimented Roy and the school system for emphasizing the athletes are students first. He discussed his daughter and how much she learned from playing HS sports.

III. Audience. Two members of the audience addressed the board.

IV. BOARD ACTION REQUIRED

IV.A. Approval of the following Board Meeting Minutes. A motion was made by Burmeister to approve the minutes, 2nd by Forsythe. Motion carried unanimously.

IV.A.1. 8-11-25 Special Meeting

IV.A.2. 8-11-25 Regular Meeting

IV.B. Approval to Extend the Following Contract as per contractual agreement - ROLL CALL VOTE. A motion was made by Forsythe, 2nd by Willoughby. Discussion - Burmeister asked questions about the process and stated he would be voting no due to not understanding the process and the teachers not having a contract. He doesn't feel it's appropriate to renew an admin contract. Schriemer elaborated on the process and stated there is no financial change until we have a state budget. Hostetler asked why we were updating the contract when the current contract goes until 2027. Schriemer elaborated on the reasoning behind taking a fresh look at board policy. Hostetler also stated she would be voting no due to not understanding the process. Motion passed 4-2 with a roll call vote. Hostetler and Burmeister voted "nay"

IV.B.1. Keevin O'Neill - Superintendent

IV.C. Approval of FFA National Convention in Indianapolis (October 28-31) . A motion was made by Forsythe, 2nd by Burmeister. Motion passed unanimously

IV.D. 1st Reading Approval of the Following Policies - ROLL CALL VOTE. A motion was made by Forsythe, 2nd by Hostetler. Motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

IV.D.1. PO 151

IV.D.2. PO 154

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Schriemer adjourned the meeting at 7:50 pm.

President Dave Schriemer
October 13, 2025

Secretary Tamara Young