

VICKSBURG COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
Board of Education
September 13, 2010
7:00 p.m. – VAB
MINUTES

Board Members Present: Wil Emmert, Jean Eldred, David Schriemer, Tom Danielson, Carol Lohman, Tina Forsyth, Virgil Knowles
Secretary Amy Manchester

Administrators Present: Supt. Charlie Glaes, Asst. Supt. Stephen Goss, HS Principal Keevin O’Neill, Asst. HS Principal Adam Brush, MS Principal Greg Tibbetts, Asst. MS Principal Laura Kuhlman, Indian Lake Principal Rick Szabla, Tobey Elementary Principal Michael Barwegen, Sunset Lake Principal Pat Moreno, Adult/Community Ed Director Tonya Nash, Food Service Director Maureen Ouvry, Transportation Director Ric Beers, Athletic Director Michael Roy,

Guests Present: Ray Shearer, Karen Chipman, Sharon Moyle, Brad Geesaman, Tim Callahan, Steve Thomas, Warren Lawrence

I. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. VCSF Annual Report - Warren Lawrence

Warren gave a brief update on the VCSF accomplishments for 2009-10.

B. Recognition of Ray Shearer - Unsung Hero

Supt. Glaes recognized Ray as making a difference in the life of the kids in our district. Ray has worked for the district for several years and provides a high level of service to our students every day. Ric Beers, Director of Transportation, introduced Ray and thanked him for his dedication to our district and his professional manner.

C. Important Dates

Supt. Glaes announced that the Community tailgate was a great success. Many more people attended than last year and it was a great night to be a Bulldog. The next home game against Gull Lake is on September 24th. Other dates include Open House at Tobey on September 14th, Middle School on September 16th, 6th Grade camp on September 20-22nd, Indian Lake open house on September 20th and High School open house on September 21st.

D. Preliminary Enrollment Figures

Supt. Glaes stated we are down 26 students from last year. Elementary enrollments are up, about 13 from last year. MS had new enrollments, but it was a larger group moving up than what came in. HS is down a bit. He stated it is very early and the numbers will change. We will keep the Board posted as new numbers come in.

E. Report on Opening Preservice Activities and Ceremonies

Preservice was at Portage Northern High School. Supt. Glaes stated that Mike Schmoker, the speaker, is nationally recognized and gave a great address regarding changing school achievement and how we can do more or do it differently. He highlighted key activities that needed to be done to make a difference. VCS is doing a lot of these things well. Supt. Glaes also stated that a TA had been reached with the VEA.

F. Reproductive Health Program Parent Notification for 2010-11

The annual letter for the 2010-2011 year has gone out.

G. Legislative Update

Supt. Glaes addressed the “School Aide Raid” bill that the senate has passed. This is to be a \$208 million fund shift.

II. REPORT AND PUBLIC INQUIRY

A. Athletic Department Report - Mike Roy

Athletic Director, Mike Roy, presented highlights from the 2009-2010 Athletic Department Report. Carol Lohman complimented Mr. Roy on the content of the report.

B. Financial Report for month ending August 31, 2010 – Steve Goss

1. Budget Progress Report

Asst. Supt. Goss reviewed the budget progress report for August 2010 showing total revenues of \$173,402; total expenditures of \$1,506,961; and deficiency of revenues over expenditures of -\$1,333,559.

2. State Funding Update

Asst. Supt. Goss briefly touched on the points that Supt. Glaes made regarding the legislative update.

C. Audience

Brad Geesaman addressed the Board regarding the VEA negotiations. He stated the VEA feels like they have a positive leadership team. He thanked the Board and Administration for their support. Negotiations were extremely positive and they hope to continue in that vein. Vicksburg has great teachers and the VEA knows we can have a very productive year.

III. BOARD ACTION REQUESTED

A. Approval of August 9, 2010 Regular Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Emmert and supported by Danielson for approval of the August 9, 2010 regular meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Approval of the Following General Fund Invoices ROLL CALL VOTE

1. A motion was made by Forsyth and supported by Lohman to approve payment of invoices dated August 6, 2010 totaling \$373,688.62.

Ayes: Emmert, Eldred, Schriemer, Danielson, Forsyth, Lohman, and Knowles

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

Motion carried unanimously.

2. A motion was made by Schriemer and supported by Eldred to approve payment of invoices dated August 20, 2010 totaling \$47,049.58.

Ayes: Emmert, Eldred, Schriemer, Danielson, Forsyth, Lohman, and Knowles

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

Motion carried unanimously.

3. A motion was made by Danielson and supported by Forsyth to approve payment of invoices dated August 31, 2010 totaling \$9,448.00.

Ayes: Emmert, Eldred, Schriemer, Danielson, Forsyth, Lohman, and Knowles

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

Motion carried unanimously.

C. A motion was made by Eldred and supported by Emmert for approval of the following Teacher Appointments: Motion carried unanimously.

1. Rong Sun - HS Math, MA Step 2, 4 years probation
2. Stephanie Reahm - MS & SL Art BA Step 1, 4 years probation
3. Rachel Lin - School Psychologist, MA+15 Step 13, 4 years probation
4. Amy Renouf - Speech & Language Teacher, MA+15 Step 3, 4 years probation

- D. Approval of a One Year Leave of Absence Request for Melissa Crawford for the 2010-11 School Year.
A motion was made by Forsyth and supported by Lohman for approval of the Leave of Absence Request for Melissa Crawford. Motion carried unanimously.
- E. Approval of Retirement Request of Denise Goelitz Effective August 31, 2010.
A motion was made by Eldred and supported by Forsyth for approval of the retirement of Denise Goelitz effective August 31, 2010. Motion carried unanimously.
- F. Approval of Resignation of School Psychologist Melissa Wilson Effective September 9, 2010
A motion was made by Danielson and supported by Lohman for approval of the resignation of Melissa Wilson effective September 9, 2010. Motion carried unanimously.
- G. Approval of the Following FMLA Requests
A motion was made by Forsyth and supported by Lohman for approval of the following FMLA requests: Motion carried unanimously.
1. Kate Smith - August 31 through November 5, 2010
 2. Lindsay Bosel - Beginning on or about October 18 for six weeks
- H. Approval to Enter into Nesting Agreement with Village of Vicksburg Municipal Storm Water System - ROLL CALL VOTE
A motion was made by Forsyth and supported by Lohman for approval to enter into a Nesting Agreement with the Village of Vicksburg.
Ayes: Emmert, Eldred, Schriemer, Danielson, Forsyth, Lohman, and Knowles
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None
Motion carried unanimously.
- IV. Approval to go into Closed Session for the Purpose of Strategy and Negotiations Relating to the Collective Bargaining Agreement in Accordance with Act 267 of the PA of 1976, Section 8(c) of the Open Meetings Act - ROLL CALL VOTE A motion was made by Forsyth and supported by Lohman for approval to go into Closed Session for the Purpose of Strategy and Negotiations Relating to the Collective Bargaining Agreement in Accordance with Act 267 of the PA of 1976, Section 8 (c) of the Open Meetings Act.
Ayes: Emmert, Eldred, Schriemer, Danielson, Forsyth, Lohman, and Knowles
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None
Motion carried unanimously

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Knowles adjourned the meeting at 9:47 p.m.

President Virgil Knowles
Date: 10/11/10

Secretary Karen