

Vicksburg Community Schools
Board of Education
March 9, 2020 – Indian Lake Elementary – 7:00 pm
MINUTES

Members Present: Wil Emmert, David Schriemer, Tina Forsyth, Carol Lohman, Rudy Callen, Virgil Knowles

Members Absent: Dan Grabowski

Board Secretary Amy Manchester

Administrators Present: Keevin O'Neill, Steve Goss, Gail VanDaff, Matt VanDussen, Dennis Kirby, Rick Place, Ruth Hook, Amie McCaw, Nancy Spicketts, Sarah Dyer, Karen McKinstry

Guests Present: Sue Moore, Sawyer Duncan, Patty Heintzelman, Lindsey Pulliam, Kristen Shook, Kevin Kuiper, Tony Loriso, Ben Loriso, Corey Johnson, Becky Johnson, Kevin Roodbergen, Maryann Zeller, Jared Meyer, Dawn Simpson, Jeff Briggs, Jennifer Buikema, Lisa Coe

I. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Supt. O'Neill opened the meeting by thanking Mrs. Hook for hosting and the PTO for providing refreshments. Patty Heintzelman's student choir performed for the Board.

A. Legislative Report

Supt. O'Neill will be in Lansing with area superintendents this week.

Legislative action has been slow. SB4125 reduced income tax revenues, but it will hopefully be restored. Other bills are still waiting. There are bills in the pipeline regarding retirees and their ability to come back and sub.

The Coronavirus is a hot topic. The Administration has started discussions with staff in the event schools are closed for an extended amount of time.

B. Important Dates

Supt. O'Neill reminded the Board of upcoming important dates including STEM night (formerly known as Science Night) which is Wednesday.

Holiday Inn, the HS Musical will be performed the next two weekends.

II. REPORTS AND PUBLIC INQUIRY

A. Business and Finance Report - Steve Goss

1. Budget Progress Report for Month Ending February 29, 2020

Asst. Supt. Goss presented the month budget progress report for February 2020 showing total revenue of \$14,485,571; total expenditures of \$15,915,884 with deficiency of revenues over expenditures of \$(1,430,313).

2. School Bus Purchase Recommendation

Asst. Supt. Goss explained that this would be the 3rd bulk purchase of school buses. The request is for approval of the purchase of 7 gasoline engine busses. The lowest bid was from Holland Bus Company.

B. Indian Lake Annual Report - Ruth Hook

Principal Hook presented "This is Us, Indian Lake 2019-20". She introduced her PTO President and reported on building culture and what they do at Indian Lake to cultivate that. She shared highlights of the year. Patty Heintzelman discussed fine art activities and information about upcoming events. Sawyer Duncan spoke about new physical education activities including the addition of roller skating. Principal Hook concluded her report with student data.

C. Agile Mind CCSS Mathematics Proposal - VMS Math Teachers
Dawn Simpson, Jeff Briggs, and Jared Meyer presented the Agile Mind math curriculum proposal and answered questions from the Board.

D. Audience

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

III. BOARD ACTION REQUIRED

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

1. February 10, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes

2. March 4, 2020 Special Meeting Minutes

B. Approval of the Following General Fund Invoices Totaling \$347,857.33 -
ROLL CALL VOTE: A motion for approval was made by Callen and supported by Forsyth.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Grabowski

Abstain: None

Motion carried unanimously.

1. February 1-29, 2020 (checks) = \$290,054.51

2. February 1-29, 2020 (wire transfers) = \$57,802.82

C. Approval for Disbursement of Funds Made Under the District's Purchase Card Program Totaling \$93,833.43 - ROLL CALL VOTE: A motion for approval was made by Lohman and supported by Forsyth.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Grabowski

Abstain: None

Motion carried unanimously.

D. Approval of the Following Retirement Request: A motion for approval was made by Forsyth and supported by Callen.

Motion carried unanimously.

1. Tammy Lovins - Tobey Elementary - 28 Years of Service

E. Approval of FMLA for Sarah Flemming, Sunset Lake Teacher, beginning April, 2020 through June 12, 2020. A motion for approval was made by Lohman and supported by Callen.

Motion carried unanimously.

- F. Approval to Extend Superintendent Keevin O'Neill's Contract as per Contractual Agreement: A motion for approval was made by Lohman and supported by Forsyth.

Motion carried unanimously.

- G. 1st Reading Approval to purchase seven, 77 passenger school buses from Holland Bus Company, through the MSBO Cooperative School Bus Purchase Program, for a total cost of \$629,489 - ROLL CALL VOTE: : A motion for approval was made by Forsyth and supported by Emmert.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Grabowski

Abstain: None

Motion carried unanimously.

- H. 1st Reading Approval of Agile Mind CCSS Mathematics Proposal - ROLL CALL VOTE: A motion for approval was made by Callen and supported by Emmert.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Grabowski

Abstain: None

Motion carried unanimously.

- I. 1st Reading Approval of the Following Policies - ROLL CALL VOTE: A motion for approval was made by Lohman and supported by Forsyth.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Grabowski

Abstain: None

Motion carried unanimously.

1. PO 2410 - Prohibition of Referral or Assistance
2. PO 2418 - Sex Education
3. PO 5200 - Attendance
4. PO 6321 - New School Construction, Renovation
5. PO 8400 - School Safety Information
6. PO 8500 - Food Service

- J. 2nd Reading Approval of the Following Policies - ROLL CALL VOTE: A motion for approval was made by Forsyth and supported by Emmert.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Grabowski

Abstain: None

Motion carried unanimously. Tina/Wil

1. PO 0100 - Definitions

2. PO 1067.2 - Closed Session
3. PO 1422.01 - Drug Free Workplace **make edit**
4. PO 2210 - Curriculum Development
5. PO 2414 - Reproductive Health
6. PO 3120.04 - Employment of Substitutes
7. PO 3120 - Employment of Professional Staff
8. PO 5113.02 - School Choice Options
9. PO 6605 - Crowd Funding

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Knowles adjourned the meeting at 8:40 pm.

President Virgil Knowles
April 20, 2020

Secretary Amy Manchester