

**VICKSBURG COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**  
**Board of Education**  
**April 21, 2014**  
**7:00 pm – VHS PAC**  
**MINUTES**

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

Members Absent: Wil Emmert, Tom Danielson

Secretary Karen Hill

Administrators Present: Charles Glaes, Stephen Goss, Keevin O'Neill, Adam Brush, Matt VanDussen, Laura Kuhlman, Pat Moreno, Mike Barwegen, Ruth Hook, Ric Beers, Tonya Nash, Maureen Ouvry

Guests Present: Tom Smith, Jordan Smith, Melissa Smith, Gail Nangh, Cheryl Hach, Alex Oswald, Julie Oswald, Mike Oswald, Diane Fort, Nancy Eicholtz, Buzz and Sally Fort, Calisa Norman, Jordan Norman, Perry Norman, Thamann Family, Lowes Family, Halseth Family, Scott Wills, Cydnie Shephard, Tyler Shephard, Susan Mayberry, Leann Mayberry, Ouvry Family, Luane Czochara, Steve Thomas, Jeff and Emily Barnum, Dusty Morris, Sue Moore

**I. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

**A. Recognitions**

1. Class of 2014 Recognitions: Mr. O'Neill recognized outstanding seniors, parents, and significant educators for their outstanding achievements.

2. Gilmore Festival: The audience was invited to attend Gilmore Festival events being held at the VHS Performing Arts Center.

8:00 pm - Students and Parents were dismissed.

**B. Legislative Report (8:10):** Supt. Glaes reported that Legislators are on spring recess until April 21. They will be in session for ten weeks, and break for the summer until October. Action is expected on the budget after the May Revenue Estimating Consensus meeting. Also expected is movement on the Teacher Evaluation bills and the proposed Early Warning System (early identification of deficit districts) legislation. Of local interest was HB 4295, which the Governor signed into law at the end of March. The effect on Vicksburg was to reduce by two the number of days to be made up in June. At this time Vicksburg Community Schools' final day of student attendance is Tuesday, June 10 (1/2 day for students, full day for staff).

**C. Kindergarten Enrollment Update:** Currently, 128 new K students have enrolled, which is 4 more than last year at this time. The total projected BK and K enrollment is 164, which is 15 fewer students than last year. The drop is not unexpected, as the legislated enrollment age change is one month earlier for this year. Parents may sign a waiver by July 1 if their child turns 5 between October 1 – December 1, and they wish their child to attend BK or K.

**D. Important Dates:** Supt. Glaes reviewed listing included in packet. A Bond Issue Public Forum will be held on May 1 at 7:00 pm in the HS PAC.

1. Bond Proposal Election - May 6, 2014

2. Graduation - June 1, 2014

3.Last Day of School - June 10 - 1/2 Day for Students, Full Day for Staff

4.Retirement Reception - June 9, 2014

5.July Organizational Meeting - July 14, 2014

## II. REPORTS AND PUBLIC INQUIRY

### A. Business and Finance Report - Steve Goss

1.Budget Progress Report for the Month Ending March 31, 2014: Asst. Supt. Goss reviewed the budget progress report for March, 2014 showing total revenues of \$13,537,847; total expenditures of \$14,395,514; and deficiency of revenues over expenditures of -\$857,667.

2.Bond Proposal Election: Mr. Goss reminded the audience that the District is asking district residents to consider a \$15.5 million bond issue to improve and upgrade school facilities in need of repair on the May 6 Election. If approved, bond money would be allocated between: facilities, technology and security. The millage impact is anticipated to be an increase of about 1.5 mills. The current rate is 5.35 mills, which would bring the rate to 6.85 mills.

B. Audience: Luane Czochara addressed the Board with concerns regarding previous bond issues.

## III. BOARD ACTION REQUIRED

### A. Approval of the Following Minutes

1.March 10, 2014 - Regular Meeting Open Session: A motion was made by Callen and supported by Forsyth to approve the March 10, 2014 regular meeting open session minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

2.March 10, 2014 - Regular Meeting Closed Session Minutes: A motion was made by Lohman and supported by Forsyth to approve the March 10, 2014 the March 10, 2014 regular meeting closed session minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

3.February 10, 2014 - Special Meeting Closed Session: A motion was made by Lohman and supported by Callen to approve the February 10, 2014 special meeting closed session minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Approval of the Following Invoices - ROLL CALL VOTE: motion was made by Forsyth and supported by Lohman to approve the following invoices

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

Nays: None

Absent: Emmert, Danielson

Abstain: None

Motion carried unanimously.

1.March 14, 2014 = \$77,342.84

2.March 28, 2014 = \$45,286.18

- C. Approval of Disbursement of Funds for Purchases Made During February, 2014 Under the District's Purchase Card Program Totaling \$107,961.52 - ROLL CALL VOTE: A motion was made by Lohman and supported by Callen to approve the disbursement of funds for purchases made during February, 2014 under the District's purchase card program totaling \$107,961.52.  
Ayes: Callen, Schriemer, Forsyth, Lohman, and Knowles  
Nays: None  
Absent: Emmert, Danielson  
Abstain: None  
Motion carried unanimously.
- D. Approval of Best Practices Incentive Resolution - ROLL CALL VOTE: A motion was made by Forsyth and supported by Lohman to approve the Best Practices Incentive Resolution.  
Ayes: Callen, Schriemer, Forsyth, Lohman, and Knowles  
Nays: None  
Abstain: Emmert, Danielson  
Abstain: None  
Motion carried unanimously.
- E. Approval to Extend the Following Administrative Team Members' Individual Contracts Based on Evaluations Through the 2013-14 School Year: A motion was made by Forsyth and supported by Schriemer to extend the following Administrative Team Members' individual contracts based on evaluations through the 2013-14 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

1.Principals

- a.Keevin O'Neill - HS Principal
- b.Adam Brush - HS Asst. Principal
- c.Laura Kuhlman - MS Principal
- d.Matt VanDussen - MS Asst. Principal
- e.Mike Barwegen - TY Principal
- f.Ruth Hook - IL Principal

2.Directors/Supervisors/Coordinators

- a.Tonya Nash - Adult/Community Ed Director
- b.Maureen Ouvry - Food Service Director
- c.Mike Roy - Athletic Director

- F. Approval to Extend the Following Non-Line Position Contracts Based on Evaluations Through the 2013-14 School Year: A motion was made by Forsyth and supported by Callen to extend the following non-line position contracts based on evaluations through the 2013-14 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

1.Tim Fuller - Performing Arts Center Manager

2.Karen Hill - Exec Asst to Supt/Office Manager

G. Approval to Extend the Following Contract as per Contractual Agreement: A motion was made by Schriemer and supported by Forsyth to extend the following contract as per contractual agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

1.Stephen Goss - Asst Superintendent

H. Approval of the Following Retirement Request Effective at the End of the 2013-14 School Year: A motion was made by Forsyth and supported by Schriemer for approval of the following retirement request effective at the end of the 2013-14 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

1.Gwyn Evans - MS Physical Education Teacher - 37 Years of Service

I. Approval of Resignation Request for High School Industrial Arts Teacher David Vales Effective at the End of the Year: A motion was made by Lohman and supported by Callen to approve the resignation request for High School Industrial Arts Teacher David Vales effective at the end of the year. Motion carried unanimously.

J. Approval of the Following Field Trips: A motion was made by Forsyth and supported by Lohman to approve the following field trips. Motion carried unanimously.

1.VHS Spanish Class Trip To Chicago on June 8, 2014. All costs to be paid by students.

2.VHS Student Senate Trip to Cedar Point on May 15, 2014. All costs to be paid by Student Senate and students.

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Knowles adjourned the meeting at 8:45 pm.

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President Virgil Knowles

Date: May 12, 2014

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Secretary Karen Hill