

**VICKSBURG COMMUNITY SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
FEBRUARY 14, 2011  
MS – 7:00 PM**

**MINUTES**

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Members Present: Wil Emmert, Rudy Callen, David Schriemer, Tom Danielson, Carol Lohman, Skip Knowles

Board Secretary Karen Hill

Members Absent: Tina Forsyth

Administrators Present: Supt. Charles Glaes, Asst. Supt. Stephen Goss, HS Principal Keevin O’Neill, MS Principal Greg Tibbetts, MS Asst. Principal Laura Kuhlman, SL Principal Pat Moreno, TY Principal Mike Barwegen, Adult/Community Ed. Director Tonya Nash, Food Service Director Maureen Ouvry, Transportation Directory Ric Beers

Guests Present: Stephanie Reahm, Sharon Moyle, Steve Thomas, Nancy Irving, Bob Collins, Steph Mallery, Mandy Keiser, Didik Soekarmoen, Kelly Soekarmoen, Melissa Stiles, Kim Miller, Brad Geesaman, Nancy Linebaugh, Ben Rosier, Audrey Linebaugh, Meredith Miller

I. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Recognitions

1. Introduction of Stephanie Reahm - MS Art Teacher: Mr. Tibbetts introduced Mrs. Reahm who is the new Middle School and Sunset Lake Art Teacher. Ms. Reahm described some of the art projects that the Middle School students have completed so far this year.
2. Ben Rosier - HS Band Director: Mr. Rosier and students Meredith Miller and Audrey Linebaugh were present to give their favorite memories of the band trip to New Orleans. Mr. Rosier described performing in Jackson Square and the Sugar Bowl.
3. Principal's Week: Supt. Glaes and the Board expressed their appreciation to the Principals for their dedication to the students, staff, and district.

B. Student Enrollment - Count Day - February 9, 2011: Supt. Glaes stated that 25% of second count and 75% of the fall 2011 count determines a blended count which is multiplied towards the state’s per pupil amount. The count is down 13 total; the elementary is up, the middle school remains the same, and the high school is down.

C. Legislative Report: Supt. Glaes referred to the State’s School Aid Fund budget sheet which shows a surplus in the fund. Supt. Glaes also referred to a likely increase in the retirement rate to 25-27%. Please let your legislators know that it is important to preserve the dollars that were intended for K-12 education and not allocate it to higher education. Audience questions were answered.

D. Important Dates: Supt. Glaes invited the Board and audience to the Rotary Showboat, the HS musical, and the MS Science night.

## II. REPORTS AND PUBLIC INQUIRY

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

1. Budget Progress Report for the Month Ending January 31, 2011: Asst. Supt. Goss reviewed the budget progress report for January 2011 showing total revenues of \$8,362,601; total expenditures of \$10,330,176; and deficiency of revenues over expenditures of -\$1,967,575. Asst. Supt. Goss reviewed the historical and projected future MPSERS rates and the effect that has on Vicksburg. While total payroll has declined, annual contributions to MPSERS have increased by nearly \$1 million.

B. Facilities and Operations Annual Report - Steve Goss: Mr. Goss introduced Maintenance Supervisor Bob Collins and Maintenance Admin Asst Nancy Irving. Mr. Goss presented a PowerPoint showing the District's investment in its buildings and various funding mechanisms used to pay for construction, ongoing maintenance and operations, and major repairs. Also discussed were major accomplishments from last year and goals for the next year. Mr. Goss stated that employees are an important part of the district, however, facilities represent a major financial investment of the community, and it is the district's responsibility to properly maintain and care for that investment. The continued budget pressures require the district to consider alternate funding methods to ensure that the district is able to complete major repairs and replacements in the future.

### C. Instructional Report

1. Middle School Annual Report of Student Progress – Greg Tibbetts, Stephanie Mallery, and Mandy Keiser: Mr. Tibbetts, Mrs. Mallery and Ms. Keiser highlighted Explorer test results for the past three years and the professional development that has come from analyzing that data. Mr. Tibbetts explained that joint vocabulary initiatives are being used by the MS and HS for instruction and professional development. Mrs. Mallery provided highlights of reading that is being achieved after first year of intervention. Ms. Keiser reviewed Math ELO and how Accelerate Math targets instruction on areas of weakness in math and enables monitored, differentiated math practice.

D. Audience: No one wished to address the Board on a non agenda item.

## III. BOARD ACTION REQUIRED

### A. Approval of the Following Meeting Minutes:

1. January 10, 2011 Regular Meeting: A motion was made by Emmert and supported by Schriemer to approve regular minutes dated January 10, 2011. Motion carried unanimously.

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

1. January 5, 2011 = \$187,745.15: A motion was made by Lohman and supported by Danielson to approve payment of invoices dated January 5, 2011 totaling \$187,745.15.  
Ayes: Emmert, Callen, Schriemer, Danielson, Lohman, Knowles  
Nays: None  
Absent: Forsyth  
Abstain: None  
Motion Carried Unanimously.
2. January 19, 2011 = \$59,295.39: A motion was made by Danielson and supported by Lohman for approval of invoices dated January 19, 2011 totaling \$59,295.39.  
Ayes: Emmert, Callen, Schriemer, Danielson, Lohman, Knowles  
Nays: None  
Absent: Forsyth  
Abstain: None  
Motion Carried Unanimously.
3. January 31, 2011 = \$1,560.00: A motion was made by Schriemer and supported by Emmert to approve payment of invoices dated January 31, 2011 totaling \$1,560.00.  
Ayes: Emmert, Callen, Schriemer, Danielson, Lohman, Knowles  
Nays: None  
Absent: Forsyth  
Abstain: None  
Motion Carried Unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Knowles adjourned the meeting at 9:14 p.m.

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President Virgil Knowles  
Date: March 14, 2011

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Secretary Karen Hill