

Vicksburg Community Schools  
Board of Education  
Special Meeting  
April 13, 2015 – 6:00 pm  
MINUTES

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Members Present: Wil Emmert, Tina Forsyth, Carol Lohman, Deborah Harsha, Virgil Knowles

Administrators Present: Charles Glaes, Keevin O'Neill, Adam Brush

Guests Present: Student and Parents

I. STUDENT DISCIPLINE HEARING - Student 2014-15C

- A. Call to Order: President Knowles called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.
- B. Audience: No one wished to address the Board on a non-agenda item.
- C. If Closed Session: Approval to go into Closed Session at the request of the student and parents, which is in accordance with Public Act #267, Section 8(a) of the Open Meetings Act of 1976, as amended - ROLL CALL VOTE: A motion was made by Emmert and supported by Forsyth to go into Closed Session at the request of the student and parents, which is in accordance with Public Act #267, Section 8(a) of the Open Meetings Act of 1976, as amended.  
Ayes: Emmert, Forsyth, Lohman, Harsha, and Knowles  
Nays: None  
Absent: David Schriemer, Rudy Callen  
Abstain: None  
Motion carried unanimously

II. BOARD ACTION

- A. The Board has determined that one or more of the following exceptions to MCL 380.1311 apply: A) the object or instrument was not possessed for use as a weapon, or for direct or indirect delivery to another person for use as a weapon; B) the weapon was not knowingly possessed; C) the student did not know or have reason to know that the object or instrument possessed constituted a dangerous weapon, or D) the weapon was possessed at the suggestion, request or direction of, or with the express permission of a District administrator or the police
- B. Approval of Administrative recommendation for expulsion provided for by the Vicksburg Community School's Policy 5500E, Vicksburg Community Schools' Bylaws and Policies 5610, Administrative Guidelines 5610, Bylaws and Policies 5610.01, the Vicksburg High School Handbook, page 28, Section SS, Weapons: Dangerous Weapons for the period of not less than one full semester: A motion was made by Lohman and supported by Forsyth for approval of Administrative recommendation for expulsion provided for by the Vicksburg Community School's Policy 5500E, Vicksburg Community Schools' Bylaws and Policies 5610, Administrative Guidelines 5610, Bylaws and Policies 5610.01, the Vicksburg High School Handbook, page 28, Section SS, Weapons: Dangerous Weapons for the period of not less than one full semester.

Motion carried.  
Deborah Harsha abstained.

President Knowles informed the student and parents that expulsion from VCS means that the student may not be on school premises without the permission of the administration with the possible exception of the WAY Program.

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Knowles adjourned the meeting at 6:18 pm.

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President Virgil Knowles  
Date: April 20, 2015

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Secretary Karen Hill