

**VICKSBURG COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
May 10, 2021
7:00 PM
Vicksburg High School - PAC**

MINUTES

Members Present: Jennifer Buikema, Tina Forsyth, Carol Lohman, David Schriemer, Dan Grabowski, Stephanie Willoughby and Virgil Knowles

Members Absent: None

Board Secretary Amy Manchester

Administrators Present: Adam Brush, Matt Hawkins, Dennis Kirby, Ruth Hook, Sarah Dyer, Karen McKinstry, Gail Van Daff, Rick Place, Don Puckett, Amie McCaw, Alyssa Thompson, Nancy Spicketts, Tim Fuller

Guests Present: 2021 EFE Seniors and their parents, VCS Transportation Dept: Chris Cowels, Allen Reynolds, Jerri Gorsline, Linda VanderStraaten, Michelle Ballard, Steve Thomas, Beth O’Roark, Jenn Rodas, Kelly MacDonell, Lisa Coe, Patty Heintzelman, Victoria Langdon, Tom Langdon

I. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

II. Recognitions

A. 2020-2021 Senior Awards - Adam Brush

Principal Brush introduced the Top EFE students and the DAR and Princial Leadership awards.

B. 2020-2021 Excellence in Special Education Award - Jeanine Mattson-Gearhart
Anne Marie Flemming will be recognized at the June meeting.

Supt. O’Neill announced a COVID-19 vaccination clinic at the HS on Thursday for students ages 12 and up.

Staffing level meetings have started and involve VEA and staff from various schools.

Summer School program will start running the week after school gets out.

A Parent Survey has gone out to virtual parents regarding plans for next year.

A possible Sunset Lake Outbreak investigation is now in progress.

There have been quarantine changes in several counties north of Kalamazoo. The Kalamazoo County Healthy Department has not decided to make quarantine changes at this time, but will communicate any changes that may occur.

III. Legislative Update

Supt.O’Neill directed the board to the School Equity Caucus newsletter. The budget estimating conference will take place on May 21, 2021. The Senate and the House will be watching that carefully. After the conference, the district will have a much clearer idea regarding the budget for next year.

IV. Important Dates

Supt. O’Neill directed the board and public to the list of important dates included with the packet.

V. REPORTS AND PUBLIC INQUIRY

- A. World Language Spanish and French Levels 1-4 Curriculum Proposal - VCS World Language Teachers
Jen Rodas, Jennifer Teall, Emily Chalut, and Allie Lamers presented the World Language Curriculum Proposal.
- B. Budget and Finance Report - Steve Goss
 - 1. Budget Progress Report for Month Ending April 30, 2021
Asst. Supt. Goss presented the monthly budget progress report showing total revenues of \$20,906,273; total expenditures of \$21,254,895 and deficiency of revenues over expenditures of \$ (348,622).
 - 2. Asst. Supt. Goss requested approval to Set June 14, 2021 for the Annual Public Hearing to Consider the District's Proposed 2021-22 Budget.
 - 3. Kalamazoo RESA 2021-2022 General Education Fund Budget Resolution
Asst. Supt. Goss gave some background information regarding the KRESA budget.
 - 4. Bond Update
 - a. Award Recommendation for Stadium Projects
A memorandum from Frederick Construction is included with the Board Packet. The numbers included on the bid pack and board action are the correct numbers (a type was on the memo). Administration recommends approval.
- C. Annual Transportation Report - Karen McKinstry (moved to the beginning of the report section). A plaque of appreciation was presented to Jerri Gorsline for her 50 years of of dedicated service to VCS.
- D. Reconfirmation of Extended Continuity of Learning Plan (ECOL) Hearing
Supt. O'Neill reviewed the ECOL and the current matrix of COVID-19 cases and vaccinations. 2-way interaction rates last week were 96.07%. No one in the audience had questions or comments.
- VI. Audience
The board received public comment from teacher Kelly MacDonell and two community members.
- VII. BOARD ACTION REQUIRED
- VIII. Approval of the April 12, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes: A motion for approval was made by Lohman and supported by Willoughby.
Motion carried unanimously.
- IX. Approval of General Fund Invoices Totaling \$737,676.33 - ROLL CALL VOTE: A motion for approval was made by Forsyth and supported by Buikema.
Motion carried unanimously by roll-call vote.
- X. Approval of Purchase Card Disbursements for March 2021 Totaling \$92,674.61 - ROLL CALL VOTE: A motion for approval was made by Grabowski and supported by Lohman.
Motion carried unanimously by roll-call vote.
- XI. Approval to Set June 14, 2021 for the Annual Public Hearing to Consider the District's Proposed 2021-22 Budget: A motion for approval was made by Forsyth and supported by Lohman.
Motion carried unanimously.

- XII. Approval to award the following contracts based on the results of competitive bids, to be funded with proceeds from the 2020 Bond - ROLL CALL VOTE: A motion for approval was made by Buikema and supported by Forsyth.
Motion carried unanimously by roll-call vote.
A. B.P. 11.68- Synthetic Track Surfacing - Star Trac Enterprise LLC - \$168,000
B. B.P. 32.12- Asphalt Track Paving - Excell Paving Plus - \$162,875
C. B.P. 32.18- Synthetic Field Turf - Field Turf USA - \$428,427
- XIII. Approval of the Kalamazoo RESA 2021-2022 General Education Fund Budget Resolution - ROLL CALL VOTE: A motion for approval was made by Schriemer and supported by Willoughby.
Motion carried by roll-call vote. Member Knowles abstained.
- XIV. Approval of Extended Continuity Plan (ECOL) Reconfirmation - ROLL CALL VOTE: A motion for approval was made by Forsyth and supported by Grabowski.
Motion carried unanimously by roll-call vote.
- XV. 1st reading approval of World Language Spanish and French Levels 1-4 Curriculum Proposal - ROLL CALL VOTE: A motion for approval was made by Forsyth and supported by Willoughby.
Motion carried unanimously by roll-call vote.
- XVI. 2nd Reading Approval of the AP Research and AP Seminar Credit Proposal - ROLL CALL VOTE: A motion for approval was made by Schriemer and supported by Buikema.
Motion carried unanimously by roll-call vote.
- XVII. 1st Reading Approval of VCS Policy 8500 - ROLL CALL VOTE: A motion for approval was made by Forsyth and supported by Lohman.
Motion carried unanimously by roll-call vote.
- XVIII. 2nd Reading Approval of VCS Policies 2260.01, 7440.01, and 8450.01 - ROLL CALL VOTE: A motion for approval was made by Lohman and supported by Forsyth.
Motion carried unanimously by roll-call vote.

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Knowles adjourned the meeting at 8:38 p.m.

President Virgil Knowles
June 14, 2021

Secretary Amy Manchester