

VICKSBURG COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
January 13, 2014
VHS – 7:00 pm
MINUTES

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

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

Guests Present: Liz Ratashak, Kim O'Neill, Troy Dean, Kellie Lindeman, Madi Burns, Breanne Bess, Alija Berberovic

I. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Recognitions

- 1.School Board Recognition Month: Supt. Glaes recognized the Board for their dedication to the district and providing a positive culture and team environment.
- 2.Peer to Peer Program: Kellie Lindeman and Kim O'Neill were present to discuss the progress of the Peer to Peer Program. Students with IEP's are assigned a student mentor to assist them through the day. Results include improved attendance and decreased office referrals. Mrs. Lindeman and three students explained how being a mentor helps students with a disability and the mentor as well.

B. Legislative Update: Friday was the State Revenue Consensus Meeting which indicated that additional money is available. We hope to see an increase in state funding for 2014-15.

C. Important Dates: Supt. Glaes invited the audience to attend the Rotary Showboat, HS Musical, and the HS jazz band fundraiser at the Air Zoo.

II. REPORTS AND PUBLIC INQUIRY

A. Budget and Finance Report - Steve Goss

1.Budget Progress Report for the Month Ending December 31, 2013: Asst. Supt. Goss reviewed the budget progress report for December, 2013 showing total revenues of \$7,293,020; total expenditures of \$9,097,430; and deficiency of revenues over expenditures of -\$1,804,410. In an effort to be transparent, we are now including purchase card statements in the Board report which includes trust and agency as well as general fund. By maximizing the use of the program, we are able to help cash flow plus earn a rebate of \$7-12,000 per year.

B. VHS: The Climb to Reward Status - Keevin O'Neill: Mr. O'Neill reviewed district belief statements, key programs, athletics, AP Honor Status, and Reward School Status. VHS ranked 93 percentile or #1 in the region.

- C. Sunset Lake Focus School Report - Pat Moreno and Jamie Masco: Ms. Masco and Mrs. Moreno presented Sunset Lake's Focus School quarterly report per State requirements,
- D. Audience: Student Alija Berberovic addressed the Board asking for open campus at the High School. Board members and Administrations gave background behind closed campus and their rationale for not wanting open campus. Mr. Glaes thanked Mr. Berberovic for his professional demeanor addressing the Board, and requested that he continue the discussion with Mr. O'Neill and Mr. Brush.

III. BOARD ACTION REQUIRED

- A. Approval of the Following Minutes
 - 1. December 9, 2013 Regular Meeting Minutes: A motion was made by Emmert and supported by Danielson to approve December 9, 2013 regular meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.
- B. Approval of the Following General Fund Invoices Totaling \$173,654.44 - ROLL CALL VOTE: A motion was made by Callen and supported by Forsyth to approve the following general fund invoices totaling \$173,654.44.
Ayes: Emmert, Callen, Schriemer, Danielson, Forsyth, Lohman, and Knowles
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None
Motion carried unanimously.
 - 1. December 6, 2013 = \$74,834.39 as corrected.
 - 2. December 6, 2013-2 = \$1,350.00
 - 3. December 13, 2013 = \$22.38
 - 4. December 20, 2013 = \$97,647.67
- C. Approval of Disbursement of Funds for December Purchases Made Under the District's Purchase Card Program Totaling \$143,792.05 - ROLL CALL VOTE: A motion was made by Emmert and supported by Forsyth to approve disbursement of funds for December purchases made under the District's purchase card program totaling \$143,792.05.
Ayes: Emmert, Callen, Schriemer, Danielson, Forsyth, Lohman, and Knowles
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None
Motion carried unanimously.
- D. Approval of the Resolution for Regional Millage Renewal - ROLL CALL VOTE: A motion was made by Forsyth and supported by Callen to approve the Resolution for Regional Millage Renewal. Motion carried unanimously.

- E. Approval of VHS Spanish I, II, and III Student Trip to New York City from June 12 - 15, 2014. All costs to be paid by students. A motion was made by Forsyth and supported by Danielson to approve the VHS Spanish I, II, and III Student Trip to New York City from June 12-15, 2014. All costs to be paid by students.
Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Knowles adjourned the meeting at 8:55 pm.

President Virgil Knowles

Secretary Karen Hill