

# VAN BUREN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 42, BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## Minutes of Regular Board Meeting

Date: October 12, 2021

Place: VBHS Fine Arts Center

Lance Lanier called the regular meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Director Lanier welcomed all that were in attendance.

### **Regular Meeting Called to Order**

The following members were present:

### **Roll Call**

Lance Lanier, President  
Bob Freeman, Vice President  
Carman Young, Secretary  
Kevin Bell  
Theresa Bell  
Jacob Howell  
Christy Mayo

### **Members Present**

The following administrators were present:

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Dr. Harold Jeffcoat, Superintendent  
Brian Summerhill, Deputy Superintendent  
Karen Allen, Assistant Superintendent

The Board recognized the VBSD Maintenance Staff. Maintenance Director, Danny Spears, introduced each member of the staff. He also told what special skill or certification they had (plumbing, electrical work, HVAC) and how it benefits the district to not have to hire out those jobs.

### **Reports and Recognitions**

The Board recognized the VBHS boys golf team for their second place finish in the State Tournament. The boys also came in first locally, taking the Conference Championship Title.

The Board also recognized Parkview Elementary for being named an Arkansas School on the Move. Parkview is one of only two schools in the state to receive this designation. Principal, Mary McCutchen, and Asst. Principal, Aimee McCabe, credited their success to the hard work of the Parkview Staff.

Dr. Jeffcoat updated the Board on the Arkansas Succeed Scholarship Program. A citizen addressed the Board regarding board policy.

Director K Bell made a motion with a second by Director T Bell to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried 7-0.

**Approve Consent  
Agenda**

- D.1.1.** The minutes of the September 14, 2021, Regular Meeting, and the September 20, 2021, Special Meeting, of the Board of Directors
- D.1.2.** 2021-2022 Approved Vendor List

Director Mayo made a motion with a second by Director Young to approve the meeting agenda. The motion carried 7-0.

**Approve Meeting  
Agenda**

### **District Operations –**

- E.1.** Director Young made a motion with a second by Director Freeman to approve the financial statement for the month of September, 2021. The motion carried 7-0.
- E.2.** Director T Bell made a motion with a second by Director Young to approve the legal transfer of students as presented. The motion carried 7-0.
- E.3.** Director Mayo made a motion with a second by Director Freeman to approve the Act 1120 5% Increases for FY2021 Resolution as presented. The motion carried 7-0.
- E.4.** Director Young made a motion with a second by Director Mayo to select Director K Bell as the delegate to the Arkansas School Boards Association State Conference. The motion carried 7-0.
- E.5.** Director Freeman made a motion with a second by Director Mayo to approve the purchase of an aquaponics system as presented. The motion carried 7-0.
- E.6.** Director K Bell made a motion with a second by Director Howell to approve MAHG as the design-build firm for the Central Elementary Roof/HVAC project as presented. The motion carried 7-0.
- E.7.** Director Young made a motion with a second by Director Mayo to approve the Rena roof project as presented. The motion carried 7-0.
- E.8.** Director T Bell made a motion with a second by Director Young to approve the utility easement as presented. The motion carried 7-0.

## **Superintendent Report**

1. Redistricting – The District has been working with Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission for the purpose of establishing the necessity of redrawing board zones to reflect the results of the 2020 U.S. Census. The zone plan will be presented at the November Board Meeting.
2. Thanksgiving Break – Thanksgiving Break will be November 22-26.
3. Annual Report to the Public – Brian Summerhill presented the Annual Report to the Public.

### **Human Resources –**

- G.1.** The Board did not go into closed session.
- G.2.** Director Young made a motion with a second by Director Mayo to approve the personnel report as submitted. The motion carried 7-0.

### **Adjournment -**

Director Mayo made a motion with a second by Director Young to adjourn at 6:51 p.m. The motion carried 7-0.

Approved by:

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Lance Lanier, President of the Board

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Dr. Harold Jeffcoat, Ex-Officio Secretary

Reported by Shari L. Ross, Administrative Assistant to Superintendent/School Board