

VAN BUREN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 42, BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Minutes of Regular Board Meeting

Date: October 10, 2023

Place: District Office

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

**Regular Meeting
Called to Order**

The following members were present:

Roll Call

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

Members Present

The following administrators were present:

**Administrators
Present**

Dr. Harold Jeffcoat, Superintendent
Brian Summerhill, Deputy Superintendent

The following administrators were absent:

**Administrators
Absent**

Karen Allen, Assistant Superintendent

Mrs. Sonia Guerrero introduced to the Board the Oliver Springs Music Teacher and Music Club Director, Kevin Croxton. Mr. Croxton reported about the creation and filming of the Fan Film, *Indiana Jones and the Treasure of the Aztecs*. He introduced the lead actors who are also students at Oliver Springs Elementary. The film included a total of 60 student actors and took more than 150 hours of filming to complete.

**Reports and
Recognitions**

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

**Approve Consent
Agenda**

D.1.1. The minutes of the September 12, 2023, Regular Meeting, of the Board of Directors

D.1.2. 2023-2024 Approved Vendor List

D.1.3. Student Transfer Report

Director Lanier made a motion with a second by Director T Bell to approve the meeting agenda. The motion carried 7-0.

**Approve Meeting
Agenda**

District Operations –

- E.1.** Director Lanier made a motion with a second by Director Young to approve the financial statement for the month of September, 2023. The motion carried 7-0.
- E.2.** Director T Bell made a motion with a second by Director Lanier to approve Administration's recommendation for the legal transfer of students as presented. The motion carried 7-0.
- E.3.** Director Lanier made a motion with a second by Director Young to approve Administration's recommendation for the legal transfer of students as presented. The motion carried 7-0.
- E.4.** Director K Bell made a motion with a second by Director Young to approve the selection of Director Lance Lanier as a delegate to the Arkansas School Boards Association State Conference scheduled for December 6-8 in Little Rock. The motion carried 7-0.
- E.5.** Dr. Jeffcoat reminded the Board that the District has two approved/funded projects. These projects are the Northridge Middle School Roof/HVAC and the Tate Water Treatment. In order to be reimbursed for these projects the District must be under contract by March. Future projects under consideration are expansions to house Band and Wrestling at the Van Buren High School. Director Lanier made a motion with a second by Director Mayo to approve the Master Plan Resolution as presented. The motion carried 7-0.

- 1. National Blue Ribbon School – Parkview Elementary School has been designated nationally as a Blue Ribbon School. **Superintendent Report**
- 2. Hall of Honor – Teddy McMurray and Col. George T. Hudgens were inducted into the VBSD Hall of Honor on October 5, 2023.
- 3. VBHS Tennis – State Runners Up. Tennis courts are being resurfaced as part of a JUA grant. To date, the district has rec'd \$526,000 from JUA grants.
- 4. Parent Teacher Conferences – P/T Conferences will be Tuesday (17th) and Thursday (19th) from 3:30-6:30 p.m. Students will be dismissed at 2:00 p.m. on both days.

5. International Delegation – Dr. Jeffcoat has been selected to visit Taiwan as part of an international educational delegation the week of November 5-11.

Human Resources –

- H.1.** The Board did not go into closed session.
- H.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 Young made a motion with a second by Director Lanier to adjourn at 6:09 p.m. The motion carried 7-0.

Approved by:

Robert (Bob) D. Freeman, President of the Board

Dr. Harold Jeffcoat, Ex-Officio Secretary

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