

VAN BUREN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 42, BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Minutes of Regular Board Meeting

Date: November 12, 2019

Place: District Office

Candice Settle-Beshears called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Director Settle-Beshears welcomed all that were in attendance.

Regular Meeting Called to Order

The following members were present:

Roll Call

Candice Settle-Beshears, President
Lance Lanier, Vice President
Kevin Bell, Secretary
Theresa Bell
Bob Freeman
Christy Mayo
Carman Young

Members Present

The following administrators were present:

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

Mr. Summerhill introduced Steve Davis, Attendance Director, Homeless Liaison, and Coordinator of the District IMPACT Program. Mr. Davis told the board the purpose and mission of the IMPACT program. He also highlighted the Award of Compassion received from the River Valley Food Bank in September.

Reports and Recognitions

Director Freeman 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 October 8, 2019, Regular Meeting, of the Board of Directors
- D.1.2.** Policy changes proposed by Administration

Director Freeman 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 Mayo made a motion with a second by Director T Bell to approve the financial statement for the month of October, 2019. The motion carried 7-0.

E.2. Director K Bell made a motion with a second by Director Young to approve the payment of ATU Concurrent Credit tuition/fees as presented. The motion carried 7-0.

E.3. Director T Bell made a motion with a second by Director Lanier to approve the legal transfer of students as presented. The motion carried 7-0.

1. PowerSchool – Online Registration Program. The District will begin using the program with Kindergarten Registration this spring. Then we will begin updating records for existing students. **Superintendent Report**
2. Leadership Crawford County – LCC Education Day is Thursday, November 21st. VBSD will host with a tour at Oliver Springs Elementary and lunch catered by Big Dogs Food Truck. They will then move on to the Fine Arts Center, a visit with a Family and Consumer Science Class and a Robotics Class.
3. Staffing – Dr. Jeffcoat announced that we will be adding 2 staff members which will provide each building with a full time nurse.
4. Solar Power Partnership – Dr. Jeffcoat informed the board that he has been meeting with Mayor Hurst and two local energy companies to get information about solar power partnerships that are available to the District and the City. He may explore possible future conversations about solar power partnership benefits.
5. National Blue Ribbon School Award – Dr. Jeffcoat, Mary McCutchen, and Julie Lensing will go to Washington, DC, November 13-15 to receive the National Blue Ribbon School Award for City Heights Elementary.
6. Softball Field Renovation – Renovations are moving forward and should be finished in February.
7. Oliver Springs Elementary Construction – Construction is on schedule.
8. Activities – Mr. Cone gave the Board an update on sports and activities that are finishing their seasons and those that are just beginning.

9. ASBA Annual Conference – The ASBA Annual Conference is December 11-13. Dr. Jeffcoat handed out an agenda. Shari will double check the conference start time and send out an email.
10. Election – Congratulations to Kevin Bell and Bob Freeman. The filing deadline for the upcoming election was today at noon. They both filed unopposed for their respective positions. This makes the 5th uncontested election for the Van Buren School District Board of Directors.
11. VBSD Middle School Mentoring Program – Carman Young gave an update about the mentoring program that she has been instrumental in getting started in our middle schools.

Human Resources –

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

Adjournment -

Director Young made a motion with a second by Director Mayo to adjourn at 6:23 p.m. The motion carried 7-0.

Approved by:

Candice Settle-Beshears, President of the Board

Dr. Harold Jeffcoat, Ex-Officio Secretary

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