

VAN BUREN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 42, BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Minutes of Regular Board Meeting

Date: October 11, 2022

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
Theresa Bell, Secretary
Kevin Bell
Lance Lanier
Christy Mayo
Carman Young

Members Present

The following members were absent:

Members Absent

Jacob Howell, Vice President

The following administrators were present:

**Administrators
Present**

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

The Board heard a facilities report from Tim Varner with MAHG Architecture, Inc. Mr. Varner presented an update on current construction projects and an update on a project that was recently bid.

**Reports and
Recognitions**

Director K Bell made a motion with a second by Director T Bell to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried 6-0.

**Approve Consent
Agenda**

D.1.1. The minutes of the September 13, 2022, Regular Meeting, of the Board of Directors

Director K Bell made a motion with a second by Director Lanier to approve the meeting agenda. The motion carried 6-0.

**Approve Meeting
Agenda**

District Operations –

- E.1.** Director Lanier made a motion with a second by Director Mayo to approve the financial statement for the month of September, 2022. The motion carried 6-0.
- E.2.** Director Lanier made a motion with a second by Director Young to approve the legal transfer of students as presented. The motion carried 6-0.
- E.3.** Director Mayo made a motion with a second by Director Young to approve the resolution for Act 1120 5% Increases for FY2022 as presented. The motion carried 6-0.
- E.4.** Director K Bell made a motion with a second by Director Mayo to approve the selection of Carman as a delegate to the Arkansas School Boards Association State Conference. The motion carried 6-0.
- E.5.** Director T Bell made a motion with a second by Director Young to approve the Canon Copier Contract as presented. The motion carried 6-0.
- E.6.** Director K Bell made a motion with a second by Director Mayo to approve the contract disclosure resolution as presented. The motion carried 5-0. Director Young did not vote due to a relationship with the vendor.
- E.7.** The guardian of student AA was not present and did **Student Discipline** not wish to appeal. Dr. Jeffcoat opened with a summary of the incident. Administration's recommendation was expulsion for the remainder of the first semester of the 2022-2023 school year. The board did not go into closed session.

Director Young made a motion with a second by Director T Bell to uphold the recommendation of expulsion for student AA for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year with the opportunity to complete his coursework through virtual learning. The motion carried 6-0.

1. Revenue: ESA is up to 362 students bringing the **Superintendent** District's percentage from 55% to 57%. Enrollment **Report** is up 213 students since May of 2022. If these numbers remain steady the District will receive growth funds which is unexpected revenue.
2. Region 4 Meeting – VBSD hosted the ASBA Region 4 Meeting on October 4th. The Board Members were very complimentary and asked that their thanks be passed on to the the Child Nutrition Department and to the FAC team that took care of both the food and the technology presentation equipment.
3. Bonus Information – Bonus resolution will be presented at the November 8th board meeting and bonuses will be paid around the end of November.
4. Proposed Raises – Lefislators have proposed \$4000 to teachers and \$2 per hr to classified staff.

5. Parent/Teacher Conferences – Fall P/T Conferences are scheduled for Oct. 18 and 20, 2022 from 3:30-6:30 p.m. Students will be released at 2:00 p.m.
6. Report to the Public – Mr. Summerhill will present the Annual Report to the Public at the November 8th Board Meeting.

Human Resources –

- H.1.** The Board did not go into closed session.
- H.2.** Director K Bell made a motion with a second by Director Lanier to approve the personnel report as updated. The motion carried 6-0.

Adjournment -

Director T Bell made a motion with a second by Director Mayo to adjourn at 6:25 p.m. The motion carried 6-0.

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