

VAN BUREN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 42, BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Minutes of Regular Board Meeting

Date: October 8, 2024

Place: District Office

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

**Regular Meeting
Called to Order**

The following members were present:

Roll Call

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

Members Present

The following administrators were present:

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Present**

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

Mrs. Sonia Guerrero introduced Dr. Barry Owen from the Arkansas Colleges of Health Education. 5th grade students shared their experiences of visiting. They enjoyed a day filled with art, science experiments, and even cooking their own lunch.

**Reports and
Recognitions**

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

**Approve Consent
Agenda**

- D.1.1.** The minutes of the September 10, 2024, Regular Meeting, of the Board of Directors
- D.1.2.** Student Transfer Report
- D.1.3.** 2024-2025 Approved Vendor List
- D.1.4.** Health Services Survey
- D.1.5.** Student Discipline

Director Lanier 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 Lanier to approve the financial statement for the month of September, 2024. The motion carried 7-0.
- E.2.** Director Lanier made a motion with a second by Director Young to approve the student transfer as presented. The motion carried 7-0.
- E.3.** Director T Bell made a motion with a second by Director Mayo to approve the student transfer as presented. The motion carried 7-0.
- E.4.** Director K Bell made a motion with a second by Director Lanier to approve the student transfer as presented. The motion carried 7-0.
- E.5.** Director K Bell made a motion with a second by Director Young to approve the student transfer as presented. The motion carried 7-0.
- E.6.** Director K Bell made a motion with a second by Director Young to select Director Christy Mayo as the Delegate to the Arkansas School Boards Association State Conference in December. The motion carried 7-0.
- E.7.** Director Mayo made a motion with a second by Director Lanier to approve the payment of ATU Concurrent Credit Tuition/Fees as presented. The motion carried 7-0.

- 1. Parent/Teacher Conferences – PT Conf. will be Oct 15th and 17th from 3:30 – 6:30 p.m. Students will be dismissed at 2:00 p.m.
- 2. Construction Update – Danny Spears updated the Board on new construction at VBHS. Completion date is scheduled for November of 2025.
- 3. Activities Update – Drew Cone updated on current activities. VBHS Tennis Doubles Team won Conference Championship. Choir set another All-Region record. VBHS will host State Volleyball Tournament the end of October.
- 4. A district parent was given 5 minutes to speak to the Board.
- 5. Mr. Summerhill presented the Annual Report to the Public.
- 6. Dr. Jeffcoat announced that the November meeting will be held at the district aquaponics facility.

Superintendent Report

Human Resources –

- H.1.** The Board went into closed session at 6:30 p.m. to discuss student discipline. The Board returned to open session at 6:47 p.m.

Director K Bell made a motion with a second by Director Lanier to amend the expulsion period of student JG to 365 days. The motion carried 7-0.

- H.2.** Director K Bell made a motion with a second by Director Young 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 6:50 p.m. The motion carried 7-0.

Approved by:

Jacob Howell, President of the Board

Dr. Harold Jeffcoat, Ex-Officio Secretary

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