

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

**Minutes of Special Called Board Meeting**

**Date: November 17, 2022**

**Place: District Office**

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

**Special Meeting  
Called to Order**

The following members were present:

**Roll Call**

Bob Freeman, President  
Theresa Bell, Secretary  
Lance Lanier  
Christy Mayo

**Members Present**

The following members were absent:

**Members Absent**

Jacob Howell, Vice President  
Kevin Bell  
Carman Young

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

The guardian of student MQ was not present and did not wish to appeal. Dr. Jeffcoat opened with a summary of the incident. Mr. Warden and Mr Loyd, the Thicksten Center Director and Principal, reported the facts of the incident and answered questions from the Board. Administration's recommendation was expulsion for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year. The board did not go into closed session.

**Student Discipline  
Student A**

Director Mayo made a motion with a second by Director Lanier to uphold the recommendation of expulsion for student MQ for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year with the opportunity to complete her coursework through virtual learning. The motion carried 4-0.

The guardian of student EC was not present and did not wish to appeal. Dr. Jeffcoat opened with a summary of the incident. Mr. Warden and Mr Loyd, the Thicksten Center Director and Principal, reported the facts of the incident and answered questions from the Board. Administration's recommendation was expulsion for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year. The board did not go into closed session.

**Student Discipline  
Student B**

Director T Bell made a motion with a second by Director Lanier to uphold the recommendation of expulsion for student EC for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year with the opportunity to complete his coursework through virtual learning. The motion carried 4-0.

The guardian of student JO was not present and did not wish to appeal. Dr. Jeffcoat opened with a summary of the incident. Mr. Poole and Mr Ceron, the Butterfield Trail Middle School Principal and Asst Principal, reported the facts of the incident and answered questions from the Board. Administration's recommendation was expulsion for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year. The board did not go into closed session.

**Student Discipline  
Student C**

Director Lanier made a motion with a second by Director Mayo to uphold the recommendation of expulsion for student JO for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year with the opportunity to complete her coursework through virtual learning. The motion carried 4-0.

1. Partnership Funding - Two projects were recently funded with partnership funds. The State has awarded the District roughly \$3M for the Northridge Middle School roof and for the Tate Elementary School plumbing

**Superintendent  
Report**

construction projects.

2 Bonus – All bonuses will be paid out tomorrow, November 18, 2022.

**Adjournment -**

Director Lanier made a motion with a second by Director T Bell to adjourn at 5:49 p.m. The motion carried 4-0.

Approved by:

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Robert Freeman, 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