

VAN BUREN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 42, BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Minutes of Regular Board Meeting

Date: February 9, 2021

Place: VBSD Fine Arts Center

Lance Lanier called the regular meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. Director Lanier welcomed all that were in attendance.

**Regular Meeting
Called to Order**

The following members were present:

Roll Call

Lance Lanier, President
Theresa Bell
Jacob Howell
Christy Mayo
Carman Young

Members Present

The following members were absent:

Members Absent

Kevin Bell, Vice President
Bob Freeman, Secretary

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

Mr. Summerhill introduced Jeff Warden, Director of IZARD Center for Learning. Mr. Warden spoke about the program at IZARD and introduced two students that have succeeded in the program and reached their goal of returning to their home school.

**Reports and
Recognitions**

Director Mayo made a motion with a second by Director Young to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried 5-0.

**Approve Consent
Agenda**

- D.1.1.** The minutes of the January 12, 2021, Regular Meeting, of the Board of Directors
- D.1.2.** 2020-2021 Financial Interest Vendor List

Director T Bell made a motion with a second by Director Young to approve the meeting agenda. The motion carried 5-0.

Approve Meeting Agenda

District Operations –

- E.1.** Director Young made a motion with a second by Director Mayo to approve the financial statement for the month of January, 2021. The motion carried 5-0.
- E.2** Director T Bell made a motion with a second by Director Mayo to approve the legal transfer of students as presented. The motion carried 5-0.
- E.3** Director Mayo made a motion with a second by Director T Bell to approve the Option B of the 2021-22 School Calendar as presented. The motion carried 5-0.
- E.4** Director T Bell made a motion with a second by Director Howell to approve the budget of estimated expenditures as presented. The motion carried 5-0.
- E.5** Director Mayo made a motion with a second by Director Howell to approve the school choice list as presented. The motion carried 5-0.

- 1. Graduation – Even though we don't know exactly what guidelines will be in place in May the high school has requested that graduation be held on Friday, May 21st. The weather option day will be Saturday, May 22nd. The board supported this date. The district will be able to move forward with planning as well as submitting applications to get approval from the State Division of Elementary & Secondary Education and the Arkansas Department of Health.
- 2. NSBA Annual Conference – The National School Boards Association Annual Conference will be held virtually this year. The dates are April 8-10, 2021. All Board Members have been registered. If anyone will be unable to take part in this event please let Shari know before the March 1, 2021 cancellation deadline.
- 3. Covid Update – Currently eight (8) students are positive. Vaccines have become available to staff members. We hope that this will reduce the number of staff members that are absent due to illness and quarantine.

Superintendent Report

4. Legislative Update – Dr. Jeffcoat summarized several bills that are currently being considered by the legislature. He will continue to update the Board as the legislative session continues.

Human Resources –

- G.1.** The Board did not go into closed session.
- G.2.** Director Mayo made a motion with a second by Director Young to approve the personnel report as submitted. The motion carried 5-0.

Adjournment -

Director Young made a motion with a second by Director T Bell to adjourn at 6:21 p.m. The motion carried 5-0.

Approved by:

Lance Lanier, President of the Board

Dr. Harold Jeffcoat, Ex-Officio Secretary

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