

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

**Minutes of Regular Board Meeting**

**Date: March 9, 2021**

**Place: VBSD Fine Arts Center**

Lance Lanier called the work session to order at 5:00 p.m.

**Work Session**

Dr. Jeffcoat gave a district financial update. He reviewed previous salary increases, bonuses; stated the current district financial health; presented expected future revenue; and offered options for future salary increases.

Lance Lanier called the regular meeting to order at 5:42 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  
Bob Freeman, Secretary  
Theresa Bell  
Jacob Howell  
Christy Mayo  
Carman Young

**Members Present**

The following members were absent:

**Members Absent**

Kevin Bell, Vice President

The following administrators were present:

**Administrators Present**

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

Mr. Cone introduced VBHS Bowling Coach Kevin Ross and Volunteer Coach Lee Altman. Coach Ross spoke about the bowling program at VBHS and introduced team members that recently won Runner-Up at State Championships.

**Reports and Recognitions**

The Board also recognized the VBHS Wrestling team. Mr. Cone introduced the wrestling coaches, Head Coach, John Petree, and Asst. Coach, Dakota Petree. Coach J. Petree introduced team members that recently won State titles in their classifications.

Director Young 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 February 9, 2021, Regular Meeting, of the Board of Directors

**D.1.2.** 2020-2021 Financial Interest Vendor List

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

**Approve Meeting  
Agenda**

### **District Operations –**

**E.1.** Director Freeman made a motion with a second by Director Mayo to approve the financial statement for the month of February, 2021. The motion carried 6-0.

**E.2** Director Young made a motion with a second by Director Howell to approve the legal transfer of students as presented. The motion carried 6-0.

**E.3** Director T Bell made a motion with a second by Director Young to approve the payment of ATU Spring 2021 concurrent credit tuition/fees as presented. The motion carried 6-0.

**E.4** Director Mayo made a motion with a second by Director T Bell to approve the election resolution as presented. The motion carried 6-0.

**E.5** Director Freeman made a motion with a second by Director T Bell to approve the school choice list as presented. The motion carried 6-0.

1. Kindergarten Registration – April 23, 2021

2. Retirement – Last year we had 22 retirees.

As of this meeting we will have 25.

3. Mask Policy – VBSD policy 1.13—Emergency Policy on Wearing Face Masks and Face Coverings was approved 8/11/20. The policy states that it will remain in effect until the Executive Order regarding face masks and face coverings issued

**Superintendent  
Report**

- by the Governor of the State of Arkansas is lifted. The Governor is expected to address this issues on March 31<sup>st</sup>.
4. Flu Numbers – Last year there were 479 positive cases of flu reported in the district. This year there have been to date 5 positive cases of flu reported.
  5. Graduation – VBHS graduation is scheduled for May 21<sup>st</sup> at Blakemore Field. The inclement weather day is May 22<sup>nd</sup>.
  6. NSBA Annual Conference – April 8-10, virtual conference.
  7. AAEA/ASBA Joint Leadership Conference – May 4<sup>th</sup> at the Embassy in Little Rock. You can also register to attend via Zoom if you prefer.

### **Human Resources –**

- G.1.** The Board did not go into closed session.
- G.2.** Director Young made a motion with a second by Director Mayo to approve the personnel report as submitted. The motion carried 6-0.

### **Adjournment -**

Director Mayo made a motion with a second by Director T Bell to adjourn at 6:15 p.m. The motion carried 6-0.

Approved by:

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Lance Lanier, 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