

VAN BUREN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 42, BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Minutes of Regular Board Meeting

Date: November 9, 2021

Place: VBHS Fine Arts Center

Lance Lanier called the regular meeting to order at 5:32 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, Vice President
Carman Young, Secretary
Kevin Bell
Theresa Bell
Christy Mayo

Members Present

The following members were absent:

Members Absent

Jacob Howell

The following administrators were present:

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Dr. Harold Jeffcoat, Superintendent
Karen Allen, Assistant Superintendent

The following administrators were absent:

Administrators Absent

Brian Summerhill, Deputy Superintendent

The Board recognized the VBHS Band. Mr. Cone introduced Head Band Director, Ron Smith, who talked about the competition, the excitement of winning their fourth (4th) State Championship in the last five (5) years. He also introduced three senior band members. The students told the Board about their experiences during competition and their future plans.

Reports and Recognitions

The Board recognized the VBHS JROTC. Mr. Cone introduced First Sergeant Phillips, who introduced

his staff and cadets. The captains of both the male team and the co-ed team told the Board about their first place and second place wins respectively. They placed out of forty-two (42) teams in the state at the Westside High School PT Warrior Challenge. This was their first competition in twenty (20) months.

Mrs. Joyce Haver reported to the Board that three (3) VBSD elementary schools were chosen to receive awards through the Arkansas School Recognition Program. Rena Elementary was chosen because of high performance on the ACT Aspire. King Elementary and Parkview Elementary were chosen because of the growth shown on the ACT Aspire.

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 October 12, 2021, Regular Meeting, of the Board of Directors

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

**Approve Meeting
Agenda**

District Operations –

- E.1.** Director T Bell made a motion with a second by Director Young to approve the financial statement for the month of October, 2021. The motion carried 6-0.
- E.2.** Director Freeman made a motion with a second by Director Mayo 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 Freeman to approve the Redistricting Resolution as presented. The motion carried 6-0.
- E.4.** Director K Bell made a motion with a second by Director T Bell to approve the purchase of an aquaponics system as presented. The motion carried 6-0.
- E.5.** Director Young made a motion with a second by Director Mayo to approve the ATU Concurrent Credit Tuition/Fees as presented. The motion carried 6-0.

Superintendent Report

1. School Calendar – Mrs. Allen spoke to the new rules concerning the creation of the 2022-23 school Calendar. The State will now allow the calendar to be based on days, as we have done in the past, or on hours. Administration and the Personnel Policy Committee will begin work on the calendar in the next few weeks.

Student Discipline –

- G.1.** The parents of student TD were not present and did not appeal. Administration's recommendation was expulsion for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year and return in August to the ALE program.

Director Young made a motion with a second by Director Freeman to uphold the recommendation of expulsion for student TD for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year to return in August to the ALE program. The motion carried 6-0.

Human Resources –

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

Adjournment -

Director Young made a motion with a second by Director Mayo to adjourn at 6:41 p.m. The motion carried 6-0.

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