

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

**Minutes of Regular Board Meeting**

**Date: March 14, 2023**

**Place: District Office**

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

**Regular Meeting  
Called to Order**

The following members were present:

**Roll Call**

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

**Members Present**

The following members were absent:

**Members Absent**

Jacob Howell, Vice President  
Carman Young

The following administrators were present:

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Present**

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

The Board recognized the VBHS Wrestling Team as Back-to-Back 5A Arkansas State Champions. Coach Petree introduced his team members that had won state championships.

**Reports and  
Recognitions**

The Board heard a report from Todd Lewis, with Dawson Coop. If approved, later in the agenda, Todd will be working with the current staff at Thicksten Learning Center as well as new staff to transition to an expanded ALE program.

The Board heard from Mike Moxley, a member of the Crawford County Election Commission. Mr. Moxley explained to the Board the options available during an election when a candidate is running unopposed. Later in the agenda the Board will consider a resolution to approve one of these options. Director K Bell made a motion with a second by

**Approve Consent**

Director Lanier to approve the Consent Agenda.  
The motion carried 5-0.

## **Agenda**

- D.1.1.** The minutes of the February 14, 2023, Regular Meeting, of the Board of Directors
- D.1.2.** 2022-2023 Approved Vendor List

Director T Bell made a motion with a second by Director K Bell to approve the amended meeting agenda with the addition of agenda item E.7. The motion carried 5-0.

## **Approve Amended Meeting Agenda**

### **District Operations –**

- E.1.** Director Lanier made a motion with a second by Director Mayo to approve the financial statement for the month of February, 2023. The motion carried 5-0.
- E.2.** Director K Bell made a motion with a second by Director Lanier 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 Lanier to approve the School Choice Application List as presented. The motion carried 5-0.
- E.4.** Director Lanier made a motion with a second by Director T Bell to approve the 2023 ATU Spring Concurrent Credit Tuition and Fees as presented. The motion carried 5-0.
- E.5.** Director K Bell made a motion with a second by Director T Bell to approve the Election Resolution as presented. The motion carried 5-0.
- E.6.** Director Lanier made a motion with a second by Director Mayo to approve the 2023-2024 School Calendar as presented. The motion carried 5-0.
- E.7.** Director K Bell made a motion with a second by Director Lanier to approve the ALE Agreement with Dawson Coop as presented. The motion carried 5-0.

- 1. Kindergarten Registration -  
April 14<sup>th</sup> at all elementary campuses
- 2. Graduation – May 19<sup>th</sup> at Blakemore Field starting at 7:30 p.m.
- 3. Construction Update – PAC-Almost Complete. Board requested a tour at the next board meeting.  
Blakemore Indoor Practice-Pad is finished  
Aquaponics-Structure is up but is on hold temporarily

## **Superintendent Report**

### **Human Resources –**

**H.1.** The Board did not go into closed session.

**H.2.** Director Mayo made a motion with a second by Director Lanier to approve the personnel report as submitted. The motion carried 5-0.

**Adjournment -**

Director T Bell made a motion with a second by Director Lanier to adjourn at 6:26 p.m. The motion carried 5-0.

Approved by:

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Robert (Bob) D. 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