

VAN BUREN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 42, BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Minutes of Regular Board Meeting Date: January 19, 2024 Place: District Office

Bob Freeman called the regular meeting to order at 5:31 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
Jacob Howell, Vice President
Theresa Bell, Secretary
Kevin Bell
Lance Lanier
Christy Mayo
Carman Young

Members Present

The following administrators were present:

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

Mrs. Sonia Guerrero and Mr. Dustin McRoberts reported to the Board that on March 26, 2024 the district will be hosting the 1st Annual Elementary Art Show. The focus of this project is to provide students with opportunities to work with a wide variety of mediums and materials, learn and communicate about their subject matter, and share their art with the community.

Reports and Recognitions

Director Young made a motion with a second by Director Lanier to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried 7-0.

Approve Consent Agenda

- D.1.1.** The minutes of the December 12, 2023, Regular Meeting, of the Board of Directors
- D.1.2.** Student Transfer Report
- D.1.3.** The 2023 School Board Training Hours
- D.1.4.** Student Discipline

Director K Bell made a motion with a second by Director T Bell to approve the meeting agenda. The motion carried 7-0.

Approve Meeting Agenda

District Operations –

- E.1.** Director K Bell made a motion with a second by Director Lanier to approve the financial statement for the month of December, 2023. The motion carried 7-0.
- E.2.** Director Lanier made a motion with a second by Director T Bell to approve the legal transfer of students as presented. The motion carried 7-0.
- E.3.** Director Lanier made a motion with a second by Director Young to approve a resolution for refunding of 2nd lien bonds as presented. The motion carried 7-0.
- E.4.** Director T Bell made a motion with a second by Director Lanier to approve MAHG as the design-build firm for the construction of district projects as presented. The motion carried 7-0.

- 1. Statement of Financial Interest – If you don't already have your 2023 form to complete, please get it before you leave tonight. Completed forms are due to Mrs. Ross before the end of January.
- 2. Graduation – May 17, 2024 @ 7:30 p.m. Blakemore Field. Alternate rain days will be either Saturday (18th) or Sunday (19th)
- 3. Training Hours – See Mrs. Ross if you would like a more detailed printout of your 2023 training hours.
- 4. Kindergarten Registration – April 12, 2024 – All Elementary Schools
- 5. Blakemore Indoor Complex – Construction is complete
- 6. School Closure – No more AMI days are allowed. We now have to use the 5 make-up days added to the end of the school calendar.
- 7. Appreciation Month – January is School Board Appreciation Month. Thank You Board Members!

Superintendent Report

Human Resources –

- H.1.** The Board went into closed session at 6:01 p.m. The Board returned to open session at 6:14 p.m.
- H.2.** Director K Bell made a motion with a second by Director Mayo to approve the personnel report as submitted. The motion carried 7-0.

Adjournment -

Director Young made a motion with a second by Director T Bell to adjourn at 6:16 p.m. The motion carried 7-0.

Approved by:

Robert (Bob) D. Freeman, President of the Board

Dr. Harold Jeffcoat, Ex-Officio Secretary

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