

Van Meter Community School Board of Education
Regular Session, Monday, May 21, 2012
6:30 p.m. @ Secondary Library

ATTENDANCE

Present: Directors Liz Thompson, Jim Folkerts, Brian Gordon, Lance Lauterbach, and Dan Koster, Superintendent John Carver, and Secretary Shonna Trudo
Absent: None
Guests: Jen Sigrist, Deron Durlinger, Lynne Caltrider, David Porter, Elaine and Jerel Merial, Sonja and Dave Tapps, Frank Hayer, Jerry Anderson, Scott Peterson, and John Sample

CALL TO ORDER

President Liz Thompson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL BY SECRETARY

Secretary Trudo noted all Board members were present..

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Director Folkerts moved, seconded by Director Gordon to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

President Thompson recognized retiring staff members Elaine Merial and Soni Tapps and thanked them for their tremendous service to Van Meter Schools.

Superintendent John Carver thanked the School Board members for their work on the Van Meter School Board and presented them with certificates of recognition.

OPEN FORUM

No comments from the public.

ACTION ITEMS

Consent Agenda

President Thompson presented the consent agenda items. Director Folkerts moved, seconded by Director Koster to approve the minutes of the April 24, 2012 regular meeting, April 27th and May 6, 2012 special sessions, bills for payment, financial statements for all funds, open enrollment requests, the following personnel transactions and declaring the name of the school gardens located in the southwest corner of the elementary 'The Merial Gardens':

Personnel Transactions

Resignations:

- Curtis Giesking – HS Asst. Football
- Dustin Wright – HS Co-Coach Cross Country
- Shannon Miller – Library Teacher

Termination of Contract:

- Jody Walter – HS Asst Volleyball

Hirings:

- Adam Lamoureux – JH Baseball Coach
- Dustin Wright – HS Asst. Football
- Annie Pettit – HS Co-Coach Cross Country
- Dave Tapps – HS Co-Coach Cross Country
- Hailey Beneke – HS Asst. Volleyball

Motion carried 5-0.

Administrative Contracts

Superintendent John Carver and Secondary Principal Deron Durflinger reviewed the proposed administrative restructuring for 2012-13 and answered questions from the Board, noting that salaries and benefits were determined based on a 4% increase plus additional stipends for additional administrative duties. Director Gordon moved, seconded by Director Koster to approve the following administrative contracts as presented.

<u>Administration for 2012-13:</u>			<u>Notes:</u>
Deron Durflinger	Superintendent	\$110,500	
	Secondary Principal	\$ 15,000	Stipend
Jennifer Sigrist	Elementary Principal	\$ 77,003	
	Director of Teaching and Learning	\$10,000	Stipend
Mike Linde	Director of Technology	\$55,416	From 210 to 220 day contract
Rick Roberts	K-12 Dean of Students	\$55,883	
	At-Risk Coordinator	\$10,000	Stipend
	Activities Director	\$ 7,482	Stipend
Janelle Thompson	Asst. Elementary Principal	\$ 2,787	Stipend

Motion carried 5-0.

2012-13 Student Fees

Secretary Trudo reviewed the proposed student fees for next school year. All fees will remain the same with the exception of slightly increasing the hot lunch prices. Director Folkerts moved, seconded by Director Koster to approve the 2012-13 fees as presented.

	<u>2012-13 Price</u>
Breakfast	\$1.35
Lunch – Elem	increase to be determined based on federal guidelines
Lunch-Secondary	increase to be determined based on federal guidelines
Lunch – Adult	\$3.30
Milk	\$.40
Seconds	\$1.00

All other fees the same as 2011-12.

Motion carried 5-0.

Board Policy Changes

Superintendent Carver reviewed Classified Staff Early Retirement policy 412.4, noting that the early retirement policy for certified staff was deleted this spring. Director Folkerts moved, seconded by Director Koster to delete Classified Staff Early Retirement policy 412.4. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Carver also reviewed the Purchasing-Bidding policy 705.1. The Board discussed the policy and determined that purchases requiring bids would be reviewed by the Buildings and Grounds Board committee prior to approval by the full Board.

Approval of Bids

Mr. Carver reviewed the bids for replacing flooring in various elementary rooms and the Superintendent’s office, noting most of the cost will be covered by the school’s insurance, due to damage sustained by the flooding in April. Director Lauterbach moved, seconded by Director Folkerts to approve the Wyant Flooring bid of \$13,730 to replace the carpet in the specified rooms with vinyl tile. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Carver and Transportation Director Jerry Anderson reviewed the bids for updated bus radios, due to changes in FCC requirements. Representatives from Illowa also answered questions from the Board. Director Koster moved, seconded by Director Folkerts to accept the bid of \$13,497 from Illowa to replace the bus radios. Motion carried 5-0.

REPORTS

Budget Report

Shonna Trudo briefly reviewed the district's bonding capacity and current financial position. The Board discussed possible timelines and processes for a future building project.

Superintendent and Elementary Principal Report

Mr. Carver briefly reviewed components of the Education Reform bill and noted that the retaining wall on the south side of the building continues to be monitored. Kindergarten enrollment for next year was approximately 44 as of the date of the Board meeting. Class size will continue to be a focus. Lastly, he mentioned that representatives from Van Meter School as well as the City of Van Meter have been attending countywide meetings focused on hazard mitigation in an effort to be considered for federal funds for building projects.

Director of Teaching and Learning

Jen Sigrist discussed the Iowa Assessment (formerly known as ITBS/ITED) results. This is the statewide assessment to measure progress in meeting No Child Left Behind and has been entirely rewritten in order to more closely align with the Iowa Core. Van Meter staff used the Iowa Core Alignment Tool (ICAT) to help collect data about the relationship between the content that's been instructed and the content listed in the Iowa Core. Math, science, and reading proficiency scores with the Board.

Director Lauterbach left the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Secondary Principal

Deron Durlinger informed the Board that the secondary handbook and good conduct policy review will be completed by the next board meeting.

Director Report

Director Folkerts commended the custodial staff for the cleanliness of the building for graduation.

ADJOURNMENT

Director Folkerts moved, seconded by Director Gordon to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0. Time: 8:25 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,
Shonna Trudo
Board Secretary
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