

## Minutes for Board of Education Meeting for Vassar Public Schools

\*Pending Board Approval

**Meeting February 9, 2016 cancelled due to the weather. Meeting rescheduled for February 16, 2016.**

Date: February 16, 2016

Time: 6:30 pm Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

Place: Auditorium

- A. Call of order:
  - 1. The regular meeting of the Board was called to order by Vice President Ben Guile at 6:30pm.
- B. Roll Call:
  - 1. Members Present: Fackler, Baase, LaPratt, Van Wormer, LaPratt, Hubbard, Guile
  - 2. Members Absent: Middlin
  - 3. Others Present: Pierce, Nesbitt, Kiss, Marcy, Peplinski
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Approval of Agenda: Additions or Deletions to Agenda:
  - 1. MOTION by Fackler, support by Baase to move M1 Student Issues Robotics to F2 Spotlight of the month. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
- E. Board Recognition and Remembrances: none
- F. Spotlight of the Month:
  - 1. Mrs. Piazza presenting student artwork headed to Regional Art Competition at the Saginaw Art Museum was tabled until next month
  - 2. The High School robotics team had a demonstration of their robot for the FIRST Stronghold season. The robot shot a ball through the castle window and drove around to pick up another ball that they shot out into the audience. Mr. Nesbitt asked the Board to consider a robotics team overnight trip to Marysville, MI for a competition on March 24 and 25 with all costs to be picked up by a MDE grant. MOTION by Hubbard, support by Fackler to approve an overnight trip to Marysville, MI for a completion on March 24 and 25 with all costs to be picked up by a MDE grant. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
- G. Approval of Minutes and Corrections:
  - 1. MOTION by LaPratt, support by Baase to approve the Minutes from the January 12, 2016 Organizational and Regular Meeting. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
  - 2. MOTION by Hubbard, support by LaPratt to approve the Minutes from the January 26, 2016 Special Meeting. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
- H. Acceptance of Reports and/or Committee Reports:
  - 1. MOTION by LaPratt, support by Hubbard to approve the monthly payroll expenses as presented. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
  - 2. MOTION by LaPratt, support by Fackler to approve the general fund expenditures as presented. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
- I. Financial Issues:
  - 1. MOTION by Hubbard to approve the General Fund Amended Budget Resolution as read, support by Fackler. ROLL CALL VOTE, Fackler-yes, Baase-yes, Van Wormer-yes, LaPratt-yes, Hubbard-yes, Guile-yes. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)

J. Curriculum Issues:

1. Kiss had a quarterly priority school update done. PERIS report data has been submitted. Kiss also briefly discussed testing cycles.
2. Marcy had a quarterly focus school update done. Looking at was to identify initiatives between the top 30% and the lower 30% using test scores. Marcy also attended the Blueprint for Change meeting.

K. Bylaws and Policy Issues: none

L. Personnel Issues:

1. MOTION by Fackler, support with regrets by Hubbard to accept the resignation of Robin Waldie, High School Head Cook who is now the Assistant Food Service Director for Reese Public Schools. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
2. MOTION by Van Wormer, support by LaPratt to accept the resignation of Joe Russell, Pioneer Work & Learn Teacher. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
3. MOTION by Hubbard, support by Baase to accept the retirement of Sharon Darling, High School Paraprofessional who will retire as of June 30, 2016. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
4. Pierce had comments about the upcoming superintendent search and that three companies were available for a presentation. Discussion followed after all three had presented with the board asking the public for their thoughts.
  1. Justin King with Hartman consulting presented
  2. Marlene Davis with MASB presented
  3. Tim Edwards with Michigan Leadership Institute presented
5. MOTION by Fackler, support by Hubbard to choose Marlene Davis with MASB for the superintendent search. ROLL CALL VOTE, Fackler-yes, Baase-yes, Van Wormer-yes, LaPratt-yes, Hubbard-yes, Guile-yes. MOTION CARRIED
6. Pierce will contact the presenters with the results of the board action.

M. Operational Issues:

1. All board members signed the Liability Agreement and handed them to Hubbard.
2. Guile discussed the possible property donation from Dr. Grimshaw. Dr. Grimshaw wants to donate to the school the "Central Hill". Discussion followed regarding liability and possible environmental issues. No action was taken.

N. Public Participation: none

O. Superintendent's Comments:

1. Pierce presented the board members with a written report.
  1. Congratulations to art students
  2. AdvancEd Accreditation
  3. Gym floor at Central Elementary
  4. Local Career and College Access Network
2. Van Wormer asked Pierce to get quotes on roof repair and include local companies.

P. Administrative Comments:

1. Marcy had comments about making parental involvement at the school a priority. Wendy Heinrich received a \$700 grant. Fourth grade students are going to experience a Broadway show at the Temple Theater.
2. Kiss had comments about the school store now being opened and that the proceeds will benefit the robotics team and the senior scholarship. Beth Rittenberg received a \$3000 grant for science. Kiss also mentioned the upcoming Ice Fest events.

Q. Board Member Comments: none

R. Closed Session: none

- S. Dates to Remember:
  - February 12: Half day for Students; Teacher PD in afternoon
  - February 15: Presidents Day No School for students
  - March 19: Vassar Athletic Assn. Reverse Raffle
  
- T. Next Regular or Special Meeting:
  - March 8<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting @ 6:30pm in the Auditorium
  
- U. Adjournment:
  - 1. MOTION by Van Wormer, support by Fackler to adjourn at 8:21pm. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)

Date 3/08/2016

Signature Russ Hubbard  
Secretary, Board of Education