Vassar Public Schools Board of Education Meeting Minutes

*Pending Board Approval

Date: August 9, 2016

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

Place: High School Room 201

A. Call of order:

1. The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President Randy Middlin at 6:30pm.

B. Roll Call:

- 1. Members Present: Fackler, Baase, LaPratt, Van Wormer, Hubbard, Guile, Middlin
- 2. Members Absent: None
- 3. Others Present: Blackwell, Nesbitt, Peplinski, Kiss
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Approval of Agenda: Additions or Deletions to Agenda:
 - 1. **MOTION** by Guile, support by Hubbard to approve the agenda with the addition of #11 to Personnel Issues. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
- E. Board Recognition and Remembrances:
 - 1. Jason Kiss presented Pioneer Word and Learn Graduate Breanna Green with her diploma.
- F. Spotlight of the Month:
- G. Approval of Minutes and Corrections:
 - 1. **MOTION** by Van Wormer, support by Baase to approve the minutes from the July 12, 2016 Regular Meeting and Closed Session. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
- H. Acceptance of Reports and/or Committee Reports:
 - MOTION by LaPratt, support by Baase to approve the payroll expenses as presented. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
 - MOTION by LaPratt, support by Hubbard to approve the general fund expenses as presented. Van Wormer had comments regarding positive increases in balances. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
- I. Financial Issues:
 - 1. Blackwell expressed that several staff members and students passed out over 850 flyers regarding the proposed upcoming bond during the RiverFest parade.
 - 2. Blackwell gave an update on SIG, the positions needed, and the overall goodness for the district.
- J. Curriculum Issues: none
- K. Bylaws and Policy Issues: none
- L. Personnel Issues:
 - 1. Fackler commented about the number of new hires because of the past years of layoffs.
 - 2. **MOTION** by Hubbard, support by Fackler to hire Lisa Riccobono as the new principal for Central Elementary School. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
 - 3. **MOTION** by Guile, support by Hubbard to hire Craig McCloud as varsity girls' basketball coach. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
 - 4. **MOTION** by Fackler, support by Van Wormer to hire Erin Raymond for High School Special Education Teacher. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)

- 5. **MOTION** by Baase, support by Hubbard to hire Leah Parker for High School Special Education Teacher. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
- 6. **MOTION** by Van Wormer, support by Baase to hire Logan Hoffman for High School English Teacher. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
- 7. **MOTION** by Fackler, support by Hubbard to hire Ryan Schian for Middle School Social Studies & English Teacher. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
- 8. **MOTION** by Guile, support by Hubbard to hire Nicole Morley for High School Math Teacher. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
- 9. Kiss commented that Bill Germain was being transferred from PWL to the HS.
- 10. Blackwell presented Custodial and Technology Supervisory contract changes.
 - a) **MOTION** by Guile, support by Baase to approve the Technology Supervisor contract changes as presented. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
 - b) **MOTION** by Guile, support by Fackler to support the Custodial Supervisor contract as presented. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
- 11. **MOTION** by Van Wormer, support by Hubbard to rehire Cheryl Lasceski as part time Administrative Secretary. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
- 12. Blackwell discussed the need for assistant coaching positions.
 - **MOTION** by Hubbard, support by LaPratt to hire assistant coaches for sports with 12 or more players and pay them according to the schedule B contract with Middle School assistant coaches including volleyball to be paid \$500. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
- 13. Blackwell had comments regarding the costs of insurance for teachers and secretaries.
 - a) **MOTION** by Guile, support by Baase to open the secretary contract for insurance choice only negotiations. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
 - b) **MOTION** by Hubbard, support by Guile to open the teacher contact for insurance choice only negotiations. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
- M. Student Issues: none
- N. Operational Issues: none
- O. Public Participation: none
- P. Superintendent's Comments:
 - 1. New AdvancED certificates were received for each building and that frames are being purchased for them to be placed in the buildings.
 - 2. Upcoming district wide open house and all the fun activities on Aug. 31
 - 3. New teacher academy and the training new staff will receive
 - 4. The school reform office meeting
 - 5. Senior class meeting / ice cream social and video to be produced.
 - 6. Bond bingo at the library
 - 7. Need for office training with personnel soon to retire.
- Q. Administrative Comments:
 - 1. Kiss had positive comments on unpaid staff participation during the summer
 - 2. Fabbro absent
 - 3. Riccobono thanked the board for the opportunity to work at Vassar
 - 4. Legue commented that fall sports were ready to go
 - 5. Nesbitt commented that the technology was ready for the students
 - 6. Tausch discussed some ongoing maintenance issues
 - 7. Wilkinson commented that the busses were still being prepared for the school year and routes adjusted from 12 to 11 runs.

R. Board Member Comments:

 Middlin commented about the RiverFest bus decorations and the staff present for the parade

- 2. Hubbard commented about the positives with the AdvancEd Accreditation and that there were no layoffs this year.
- S. Closed Session: none
- T. Dates to Remember:

Aug 15: Administration and Secretaries return

Aug 29: District Breakfast and staff welcome back

Aug 31: District Open House

Sept. 6: Half Day with Teacher PD in the afternoon

U. Next Regular or Special Meeting:

September 13 Regular Meeting @ 6:30pm in High School Room 201

- V. Adjournment:
 - 1. **MOTION** by Van Wormer, support by Guile to adjourn at 8:13pm. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)

Date 9-13-2016

Signature Russ Hubbard
Board of Education Secretary