

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

\*Pending Board Approval

Date: September 13, 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 at 6:30pm by President Randy Middlin
- B. Roll Call:
  - 1. Members Present: Fackler, LaPratt, Van Wormer, Hubbard, Guile, Middlin
  - 2. Members Absent: Baase
  - 3. Others Present: Blackwell, Nesbitt, Peplinski, Kiss, Fabbro, Riccobono
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Approval of Agenda: Additions or Deletions to Agenda:
  - 1. MOTION by Guile, support by Hubbard to add L3 Hiring of Jacob Mayhew to the agenda. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
- E. Board Recognition and Remembrances:
  - 1. Kiss gave recognition to Robin Fabbro for her assistance with writing grant and standing orders for \$12,000 worth of Epi-Pens.
- F. Spotlight of the Month: none
- G. Approval of Minutes and Corrections:
  - 1. MOTION by Fackler, support by Guile to approve the Minutes from the August 9, 2016 Regular Meeting. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
  - 2. MOTION by Hubbard, support by LaPratt to approve the Minutes from the August 30, 2016 Special Meeting. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
- H. Acceptance of Reports and/or Committee Reports:
  - 1. Van Wormer had a question regarding the tax anticipation note.
  - 2. MOTION by LaPratt, support by Van Wormer to approve the payroll expenses as presented. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
  - 3. MOTION by LaPratt, support by Hubbard to approve the general fund expenditures as presented. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
- I. Financial Issues:
  - 1. Blackwell and several administrators gave presentations on the Vassar Strong Vision bond proposal.
  - 2. [www.yes2vassar.com](http://www.yes2vassar.com) website was created to share the bond campaign information at no expense to the school district.  
MOTION by Hubbard, support by Guile to move forward with a 5.5 mill bond vote in May 2017 that will raise \$19,700,000. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
- J. Curriculum Issues:
  - 1. Blackwell gave recommendation to use the Institute of Student Achievement (ISA) as school reform model as required by the School Improvement Grant.  
MOTION by Van Wormer, support by Hubbard to approve a 5 year contract with ISA with yearly review and renewal. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
- K. Bylaws and Policy Issues:
  - 1. Blackwell gave recommendation to change Policy 6110 Grants to spend up to \$25,000 without board approval and single source purchases.  
MOTION by Fackler, support by Van Wormer to adopt the policy changes as presented.

Roll Call Vote, Fackler-Yes, LaPratt-Yes, Van Wormer-Yes, Hubbard-Yes, Guile, Yes, Middlin-Yes. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous) (Baase absent)

L. Personnel Issues:

1. MOTION by Hubbard, support by Van Wormer to hire Jamie Strauss as Assistant Principal Grade 6-12 /Athletic Director. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
2. MOTION by Guile, support by Fackler to accept the resignation of Joanna Samuelson Pioneer Work & Learn teacher. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
3. MOTION by Van Wormer, support by Hubbard to hire Jacob Mayhew as the gym teacher for Pioneer Work & Learn. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)

M. Student Issues:

1. Mrs. Shepherd & Mr. Richards asked permission to take the band and choir students on a 3 day extravaganza to Chicago in the spring.  
MOTION by LaPratt, support by Fackler to approve the Band and Choir extravaganza to Chicago. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)

N. Operational Issues:

1. Blackwell, Tausch and Peplinski discussed replacement of 455 mower.  
MOTION by Hubbard, support by Van Wormer to purchase a new compact tractor with implements as presented. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
2. Blackwell discussed Vulcan Club Care program and possibility of extended during the school hours with 10 or more children for sustainability.  
MOTION by Hubbard, support by Fackler to extend the Vulcan Care program through the day as presented. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)

O. Public Participation: none

P. Superintendent's Comments: none

Q. Administrative Comments:

1. Kiss had positive comments about staff and programs at the start of school year.
2. Mr. Fabbro - none
3. Mrs. Riccobono commented on the great start of the school year, hardworking staff, Capturing Kids Hearts PD and the use of engagement strategies.
4. Mrs. Legue thanked everyone for the opportunity and support during her time as Athletic Director.
5. Mr. Nesbitt - none
6. Mr. Tausch commented on all the work that was done to get the school ready for the school year.
7. Mr. Wilkinson commented on the good start to the school year and that busses are crowded but not overloaded.

R. Board Member Comments: none

S. Closed Session: none

T. Dates to Remember:

September 14: Sanford/Bullard Library at 5:30pm to discuss Bond Proposal  
September 23: District wide Picture Day  
October 5: Pupil Count Day  
October 6: Homecoming Parade & Bonfire  
October 7: Homecoming Football Game against Cass City

U. Next Regular or Special Meeting:

October 11 Regular Meeting @ 6:30pm in the High School Room 201

- V. Adjournment:  
MOTION by Van Wormer, support by Guile to adjourn at 8:48pm) MOTION CARRIED  
(unanimous)

Date: 10-11-2016

Signature: Russ Hubbard  
Board Secretary