

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

Date: June 8, 2021

Time: 6:00 Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

Place: Auditorium at Vassar High School

A. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Vassar Board of Education was called to order at 6:04 p.m. by Board Vice President, Russ Hubbard

B. Roll Call:

1. Members Present: Genow, Hubbard, Atwood, Baker
2. Members Absent: Koch, Ward, Rondo
3. Other Present: Chuck Fabbro, Jason Kiss, Amanda Senko, William Chapman, William Germain, Terri Schauben, Jessica Johnson

C. Pledge of Allegiance

D. Approval of Agenda: Additions or Deletions to Agenda:

**MOTION** by Atwood supported by Baker to approve the Agenda

**MOTION CARRIED** (unanimous)

E. Board of Recognition and Remembrances:

F. Spotlight of the Month:

1. Graduation of Alisha Walker
2. Susan Fowler, 2021 Impact Award winner, presentation by Terri Schrauben and Jessica Johnson from ESS

G. Consent Agenda

1. Approval of Minutes and Corrections

- Minutes from May 11, 2021 Regular Meeting
- Minutes from May 25, 2021 Special Meeting

2. Acceptance of Reports and/or Committee Reports:

- General Fund Disbursements
- General Ledger Summary Comparison Reports- General Fund and Food Service
- Internal Funding Balance Sheet
- Committee Reports

**MOTION** by Genow supported by Baker to approve the Minutes from the April 13 Regular Meeting and the April 27 Special Meeting as well as Committee Reports as submitted.

**MOTION CARRIED** (unanimous)

H. Curriculum Issues:

1. Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan for May and June

I. Personnel Issues:

1. Resignation of Ashley Mecham

**MOTION** by Atwood supported by Baker to approve the resignation of Ashley Mecham

**MOTION CARRIED** (unanimous)

J. Operational Issues:

1. Budget Reductions due to Programing Enrollment Resolution

**MOTION** by Atwood supported by Baker a resolve to institute a reduction in personnel due to financial constraints

**MOTION CARRIED** (unanimous)

2. Wolverine Human Resources Contract Agreement

**MOTION** by Baker supported by Genow to approve the contract Agreement between Wolverine Human Services and Vassar Public Schools

**MOTION CARRIED** (unanimous)

3. Overnight Trip Request

**MOTION** by Atwood supported by Baker to approve the following overnight trips as presented by Mr. Germain

**MOTION CARRIED** (unanimous)

K. Public Participation:

1. Carson Adkins inquired on the split rail fence between Townsend North and Central and if something more attractive will be replacing it, he wants the long jump and pole vault area to be reseed and to be more visually appealing. Mr Adkins mentioned that the zero turn mower has been seen on the new track while mowing and that garbage is once again not being cleaned up after games, that should be done daily. Mr. Adkins also asked that when we say we are going to do something we do it, he was very upset that the school experienced issues live streaming during the home football games and did not correct the wifi issues before stating they were going to live stream graduation.

L. Superintendent's Comments:

Acting Superintendent, Jason Kiss asked Mr. Germain to speak to the award we received last week. Mr. Germain informed the Board that Vassar Public Schools earned a Gold award for the 2021 School Wellness Award Cycle from the SWA Team (MDHHS, MDE, BCBSM, and United Dairy Industry of MI). In 2017 we earned the bronze award. Schools earn this award based on putting policies in place to keep our students and staff healthy, even during the pandemic. We were awarded the Gold based on not only our physical wellness strategies but our mental strategies.

Mr. Kiss added, this is a result of what we do during our mentoring program, by bringing in ISD staff to assist with our students emotional wellbeing, our food pantry, the staff wellness initiative, and the food distribution program that started during COVID but that we have continued to offer to our families. This is a big deal for the Vassar District.

M. Building/Department Comments:

1. Mr. Kiss- We closed our school year out and I can't say enough good things about our staff and their flexibility. Our staff did what other schools couldn't.
2. Mr. Fabbro- It was a challenging, but we were face-to-face the whole time, I can't thank my staff enough.
3. Mrs. Riccobono
4. Mr. Germain- Spring Sports are ending and summer programming is starting. I am happy to say that we had many first team, second team, and honorable mention all-Conference awards given to our spring athletes. Kendal Roberts was all-state, our second of the year. Kendal also should be academic all-state for her grades.
5. Mr. Nesbitt
6. Mr. Chapman- Last week the divider curtain at Central was repaired. The Townsend North roof drains were snaked which is stage one on that project. The Lawn Doctor was here and fertilized the grounds yesterday, and we have contacted a landscaping company that will be coming to fix the grounds and do reseeding in many areas in the complex. Hendricks is finalizing the dates on the window replacement, I do not have a start date at this time. I have a meeting with Trane to discuss the Energy Performance piece tomorrow. Summer School transportation is going well.
7. Mrs. Geesey
8. Mrs. Senko- I am working on the FY22 Budget to present at the next meeting. Last week the state informed us that summer school dollars are going to be cut due to an abundance of schools participating and the amazing enrollment number projected. We had 120 students signed up at the 6-12 level and they have well over 120 at the K-5 level. We plan to run the program we had laid out we just may need to use some of our ESSER funds. We are getting very close on finishing up the negotiations with both the Custodial and Transportation unions.

N. Board Members Comments:

Mr. Atwood- I know that many people had to be involved in us receiving the Gold Award. I wish I can line them all up and thank them and shake their hand. I appreciate all everyone's hard work in helping us obtain this

Mr. Baker- I just want to say thank you to Mr. Chapman the grounds are looking better.

Mr. Hubbard- Thank you everyone, earning the Gold Award is a big deal!

O. Dates to Remember:

P. Next Regular or Special Meeting:

June 22, 2021	Educational Meeting	Auditorium	6:00
July 13, 2021	Regular Meeting	Auditorium	6:00

Q. Adjournment:

**MOTION** by Baker supported by Atwood to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 p.m.

**MOTION CARRIED** (unanimous)

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Jon Genow, Board Secretary

Date