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February 27, 2007

The **Van Buren Board of Education** met in regular session on **Tuesday, February 27, 2007**, at 7:00 P.M. in the community room with the following roll call:

Mr. Ken Rowles	Present
Mr. Matt Conkle	Present
Mr. Bob Doxsey	Present
Mrs. Karen Flanagan	Present
Mr. Jeff Salisbury	Present

The invocation and Pledge of Allegiance were led by Mr. Matt Conkle.

(07-025) MARCH BOARD MEETING DATE CHANGED

It was moved by Mrs. Flanagan and seconded by Mr. Conkle to change the date of the regular March board meeting from March 8 to March 15 at 7:00 p.m.

Vote: Mrs. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Conkle, yes; Mr. Doxsey, yes; Mr. Salisbury, yes; Mr. Rowles, yes. The President declared the motion carried.

Mr. Matt Bostdorff, Computer Network Administrator, updated the Board on software licenses that need to be purchased costing approximately \$18,300; purchasing thirty computers for high school to be used in Mr. Heitkamp's classroom and the computer lab; and the installation of the alarm system for the elementary building will start next week.

District resident Jason Potteiger spoke to the Board concerning student discipline at the high school and the administration adhering to Board policies.

(07-026) PERSONNEL EMPLOYED

It was moved by Mr. Salisbury and seconded by Mr. Doxsey to approve the employ personnel for the 2006-2007 school year as follows:

Charlie May to transport buses for service and cleaning at \$12.25/hr. as needed.

Substitute Food Service Worker

Christopher Snyder

Joe Routzon as volunteer driver for the equipment truck for the 2006-2007 school year.

Vote: Mr. Salisbury, yes; Mr. Doxsey, yes; Mrs. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Conkle, yes; Mr. Rowles, yes. The President declared the motion carried.

The Board discussed having additional presentations for strategic planning. The superintendent has been in contact with OSBA and will attempt to arrange a presentation at the March 15 meeting. The board stressed the importance of the facilitator in this process.

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The Board discussed the outdoor athletic plan. Three high priority items that need to be done are:

1. Pave the entrance to the stadium and widen the walkway around the northwest corner of the track to the home bleachers which will make the stadium more accessible to handicap individuals.
2. Fill dirt in the northwest corner of the football field to eliminate a safety concern and correct a drainage problem.
3. Gravel in front of the home bleachers to fill in a large drop off.

Other items discussed were:

1. Look at property for the transportation department and/or a new high school or K-12 campus. How much land would be needed? Our current site is 37 acres.
2. Continue to use 'work arounds' such as the old gym as weight room and industrial arts area as concession stand.
3. Timeline needs to be established – possibly five years.
4. Need to know the amount of money and time it would take to build a field house.
5. Need to know the cost of new bleachers with a building or a stand alone building with a weight room, concession stand, ticket booth and restrooms.

(07-027) EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Mr. Doxsey and seconded by Mr. Salisbury to convene into executive session at 9:08 P.M. to discuss employment and compensation of personnel.

Vote: Mr. Doxsey, yes; Mr. Salisbury, yes; Mrs. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Conkle, yes; Mr. Rowles, yes. The President declared the motion carried.

The meeting was opened to the public at 9:53 p.m.

(07-028) ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Doxsey and seconded by Mrs. Flanagan to adjourn at 9:54 P.M.

Vote: Mr. Doxsey, yes; Mrs. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Salisbury, yes; Mr. Conkle, yes; Mr. Rowles, yes. The President declared the motion carried.

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Board President

Treasurer