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March 13, 2014

The **Van Buren Board of Education** met in regular session on **Thursday, March 13, 2014**, at 7:00 P.M. in the community room with the following roll call:

Mr. Ken Rowles	Present
Mrs. Karen Flanagan	Present
Mr. Mike Leifheit	Present
Mr. Edd Van Horn	Present
Mrs. Nicolle Wheeler	Present

The invocation and Pledge of Allegiance were led by Mr. Mike Leifheit.

#### **(14-028) ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

It was moved by Mrs. Flanagan and seconded by Mr. Van Horn to approve the adjustments to the agenda.

Vote: Mrs. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Van Horn, yes; Mr. Leifheit, yes; Mrs. Wheeler, yes; Mr. Rowles, yes. The President declared the motion carried 5-0.

#### **(14-029) APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

It was moved by Mrs. Flanagan and seconded by Mr. Leifheit to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2014, meeting as written.

Vote: Mrs. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Leifheit, yes; Mr. Van Horn, yes; Mrs. Wheeler, yes; Mr. Rowles, yes. The President declared the motion carried 5-0.

The Board listened to commentary regarding the building project from Brad Garmann of Garmann and Miller. Brad updated the Board on what the Levy Committee had been working on so far. Some things they have done are:

1. Put together handouts of questions and answers and a pamphlet of facts for distribution to the community.
2. Revised a story board for presentation at public meetings with visuals and facts of the new "Conceptual" design.
3. The committee already met with teachers and had another meeting to talk to bus drivers and other staff, but it was cancelled due to the calamity day.
4. Scheduled two (2) open houses:
  - a. One on March 16, 2014, at 1:00 PM to tour the facilities
  - b. Another one on Friday, March 28 at 7:00 AM
5. Brainstormed the plan to promote the levy.
6. Established a chair for the committee.

Brad presented the Board with these items and listened to their feedback. He also said that he would make those revisions they discussed with the committee and Board, and have them here for the open house on March 16, 2014.

Building principals gave their reports to the Board. VBEA did not present a report. Tech report was given as well as Maintenance/Transportation and Superintendent reports. The Superintendent's report included the result of requests from principals and supervisors for next year staffing changes. The Board personnel committee met and decided that they will add a middle school position next year as recommended by Mr. Clark and that serious consideration will be given to implement all-day every-day kindergarten for the 2015-2016 school year. The committee did not feel there was enough time to get it in place for the 2014-2015 year so they proposed its imple-

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mentation for the following year. The strategic plan from 2009 was discussed. That plan is available on the school website in the form of a PowerPoint presentation on the Board webpage. Athletics presented a written report.

**(14-030) TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT, RECONCILIATION, INVESTMENTS, AND OTHER BUSINESS APPROVED**

It was moved by Mrs. Flanagan and seconded by Mr. Rowles to approve the Treasurer's financial report, reconciliation, investments, and other business as follows:

1. Accept the amounts and rates as determined by the budget commission, and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the county auditor as Exhibit 1.
2. Approve the budget and objectives for the Quiz Bowl - High School/Middle School Student Activity Budget Revision as Exhibit 2.
3. Approve the contract with Kennedy Cottrell Richards for Medicaid School Program services for two years as Exhibit 3.
4. Approve the following expenditures as a "then and now" certification:

Wadsworth Slawson NW	\$5,597.72	February 21, 2014
All American Sports Corp.	\$3,430.12	February 21, 2014
Simplex-Grinnell	\$6,865.00	February 28, 2014
Treasurer Van Buren School (Memo)	\$50,255.68	February 28, 2014
5. Approve the BWC Salary continuation agreement as Exhibit 4.
6. Accept a donation from Van Buren Music Boosters in the amount of \$4,721.50.

Vote: Mrs. Flanagan, yes; Mrs. Wheeler, yes; Mr. Leifheit, yes; Mr. Van Horn, yes; Mr. Rowles, yes. The President declared the motion carried 5-0.

A copy of the ballot language Issue #7 was handed out.

**(14-031) CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED**

It was moved by Mr. Van Horn and seconded by Mrs. Flanagan to approve the following consent agenda as follows:

1. Approve a quote from USA Lawn & Landscaping for materials and labor needed lawn fertilization at a cost of \$12,616 for the 2014-2015 school year as Exhibit 5.
2. Appoint Cheryl Swisher as delegate to receive required Sunshine Law and Public Records training on behalf of Board members who cannot attend the training themselves.
3. Approve Robert Herringshaw to be put on unpaid leave according to ORC 3319.18 on February 28, 2014, through his return but not to exceed two (2) years as provided by statute.

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4. Accept the resignation of Nicole Wood, varsity volleyball coach, effective March 10, 2014.
5. Approve a quote from Amazon for cameras, displays, cabling, connectors, and storage to install 24 security cameras throughout district buildings and grounds at a cost of \$10,821.39 to be reimbursed through the OSFC School Security Grant.
6. Employ personnel for the 2013-2014 school year as follows:

Substitute Custodian

Rosemary Salisbury

(on a necessary and sporadic basis only)

Vote: Mr. Van Horn, yes; Mrs. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Leifheit, yes; Mrs. Wheeler, yes; Mr. Rowles, yes. The President declared the motion carried 5-0.

**(14-032) APPROVE RESOLUTION**

It was moved by Mrs. Flanagan and seconded by Mr. Leifheit to approve the following resolution:

A resolution for authorizing the use of a portion of the proceeds of obligations, in the estimated principal amount of not to exceed \$29,337,800 dated not earlier than June 1, 2014, to be issued for the purpose of constructing and improving school facilities; furnishing and equipping the same; improving the sites thereof; and acquiring land and interests in land; to reimburse the school district's general or permanent fund for money's previously advanced for such purpose as Exhibit 6.

Vote: Mrs. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Leifheit, yes; Mr. Van Horn, yes; Mrs. Wheeler, abstain; Mr. Rowles, yes. The President declared the motion carried 4-0-1.

**(14-033) APPROVE RESOLUTION**

It was moved by Mrs. Flanagan and seconded by Mr. Rowles to approve the following resolution:

A resolution authorizing the purchase of real estate and negotiation of real estate purchase contract as Exhibit 7.

Vote: Mrs. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Rowles, yes; Mr. Leifheit, yes; Mr. Van Horn, yes; Mrs. Wheeler, abstain. The President declared the motion carried 4-0-1.

**(14-034) EXECUTIVE SESSION**

It was moved by Mrs. Flanagan and seconded by Mr. Van Horn to convene into executive session at 8:49 P.M. to discuss the employment and compensation of personnel; the purchase of property for public purposes or the sale of property at competitive bidding; and preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment as per ORC 121.22 (G) (1) (2) (4).

Vote: Mrs. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Van Horn, yes; Mr. Leifheit, yes; Mrs. Wheeler, yes; Mr. Rowles, yes. The President declared the motion carried 5-0.

The meeting was opened to the public at 9:46 P.M.

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**(14-035) ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Mrs. Flanagan and seconded by Mr. Van Horn to adjourn at 9:48 P.M.

Vote: Mrs. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Van Horn, yes; Mr. Leifheit, yes; Mrs. Wheeler, yes; Mr. Rowles, yes. The President declared the motion carried 5-0.

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Board President

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Treasurer