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March 12, 2015

The **Van Buren Board of Education** met in regular session on **Thursday, March 12, 2015**, at 7:00 P.M. in the community room with the following roll call:

Mr. Edd Van Horn	Present
Mr. Mike Leifheit	Absent
Mrs. Gina Campbell	Present
Mrs. Karen Flanagan	Present
Mr. Ken Rowles	Present

The invocation and Pledge of Allegiance were led by Mrs. Gina Campbell.

Board member Ken Rowles read a statement (Exhibit 1) concerning the audit.

(15-019) ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

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

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

(15-020) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Mrs. Campbell and seconded by Mr. Van Horn to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2015, meeting as written.

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

Two visitors commented on Common Core and another visitor read a statement concerning a student.

Palmer Conservation Consulting gave a report to the Board.

Middle School Principal gave an update on Chinese teacher for next year and reported that they finished the first round of state testing. High School Principal reported that the choir did well and also went over future calendar events and meetings. VBEA gave an update on compensation committee meetings progress. Tech reported on eRate and inquired about new computers. Maintenance/Transportation gave a report on HVAC and stated that a new bus purchase is on the horizon. Athletic report was read by Board President and it discussed bleachers and safety concerns. It was also stated that the Athletic Director has requested guidelines for soliciting funds. Board member Ken Rowles requested a proposal for solicitation of funds for projects. The Superintendent's report included information on the TIF meeting with the County Auditors, discussed a seminar on levy passage, health insurance consortium update, and curriculum audit.

(15-021) 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:

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1. Approve a two-year contract for GAAP with Julian and Grube, Inc. for the 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 school years at a cost of \$5,700 per year as Exhibit 2.
2. 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 3.
3. Approve the Treasurer to work from home on February 17 & 18, 2015.
4. Approve the minutes from Audit and Finance committee meeting that was held at 6:30 P.M. on February 12, 2015, as Exhibit 4.
5. Approve the agreement with North Central Ohio Educational Service Center for FY'15 Audiology Services and FY '15 Services for the Visually Impaired for the 2014-2015 school year as Exhibit 5.
6. Approve adjustments to Budget and Objectives for National Junior Honor Society as Exhibit 6.

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

(15-022) CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED

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

1. Employ personnel for the 2014-2015 school year as follows:

Substitute Custodian	Terry McDougle
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2. Employ Kevin Kirkpatrick for the 2014-2015 school year as Bus Coordinator per Collective Bargaining Agreement with the O.A.P.S.E. Local #783 at annual stipend of \$500.
3. Approve the following volunteer coach for the 2014-2015 school year pending completion of sports medicine program:

Softball	Hannah Ward
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4. Approve 2015-2016 school year calendar as Exhibit 7.
5. Approve a contract with USA Lawn & Landscaping for materials and labor needed lawn fertilization at a cost of \$12,616 for the 2015-2016 school year as Exhibit 8.
6. Approve an overnight trip (Monday, May 18, 2015) for the Senior Class to go the Kalahari and Cedar Point in Sandusky, Ohio.

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7. Approve an overnight trip (Friday, March 27, 2015) for the varsity baseball team scrimmage at Indian Hill High school in Cincinnati, Ohio.

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

The Board was reminded that the April Board meeting will be held Thursday, April 16 beginning at 6:30 P.M. with a public hearing and the Board meeting at 7:00 P.M., and will be held in the elementary library.

(15-023) DELEGATE APPOINTED FOR SUNSHINE LAW AND PUBLIC RECORDS TRAINING

It was moved by Mr. Rowles and seconded by Mrs. Flanagan to appoint Cheryl Swisher as the delegate to receive required Sunshine Law and Public Records training on behalf of Board members if they cannot attend the training themselves.

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

The Mastercard program was discussed and a representative from Chase Bank will attend April Board meeting.

(15-024) EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Mrs. Flanagan and seconded by Mrs. Campbell to convene into executive session at 8:54 P.M. to discuss appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against an employee, official, licensee or student, unless the employee, official, licensee or student requests a public hearing; and matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or rules or state statutes as per ORC 121.22 (G) (1) (5).

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

The meeting was opened to the public at 10:32 P.M.

(15-025) PUBLIC HEARING SET

It was moved by Mr. Rowles and seconded by Mrs. Flanagan under Section 3307.353 of the Ohio Revised Code that notice is hereby given that Marcia Harshman and John Rader will be retiring under the State Employees Retirement System and the State Teachers Retirement System, and is seeking employment with this Board thereafter in the same positions (Food Service Cashier, Teacher, respectively) that the employee held prior to retirement. A public meeting on the issue of reemploying Mrs. Harshman and Mr. Rader will occur at 6:30 P.M. on Thursday, April 16, 2015, at the Van Buren Elementary Library.

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

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(15-026) ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mrs. Flanagan and seconded by Mr. Rowles to adjourn at 10:35 P.M.

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

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Board President

Treasurer