

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
Board of Directors  
Vinton-Shellsburg Community Schools  
February 21, 2022**

**Call to Order**

President Tom Burke called the regular meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. in the Central Office Board Room.

**Roll Call / Pledge of Allegiance**

Kimberly Schirm - virtual, Kathy Van Steenhuyse, Tom Burke, Jake Fish, Becky Williams, Jenni Birker, Darin Humiston, Kyle Koeppen, Superintendent, and Brenda Barkdoll, Board Secretary/Treasurer were present.

**Audience Comments**

There were no audience comments.

**Administrator Reports**

Matt Kingsbury shared information on ACTs, CPR training, scheduling, National Honor Society, parent-teacher conferences, congratulated the wrestling team who had 6 qualifiers and also bowling,

Shelly Petersen shared information on finishing activities, assemblies, jazz summit, winter screenings, PBIS, and spring sports.

Ryan Davis shared information on Kindness Week, school-wide goal met, professional development, fundraiser dance, movie night, and jump rope for heart assembly.

Kyle Reeve shared information on winter screenings, PBIS, report cards, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade field trip, assemblies, summer school, and summer meal program.

Tony Islas shared information on working with Tilford students and Alternative High School's new location.

**Superintendent Reports**

Superintendent Koeppen shared information on open enrollment requests, legislative updates, United Way Literacy packets, COVID/illness, school improvement work, Kirkwood partnership, insurance renewal, archery, and calendar.

**Board Reports/Requests**

Tom Burke shared his involvement with county board meeting, insurance meetings, facilities meeting, and now sharing correspondence with Kathy Van Steenhuyse on the 672 bill with plans to hand deliver a letter to legislation.

**General Business of the Board**

Consent Items

**1118.** It was moved by Humiston and seconded by Fish to accept the consent items as presented. Motion carried 7/0.

Early Retirement-Payout of Unused Leave Days

**1119.** It was moved by Birker and seconded by Humiston to approve the Buy Back At Retirement incentive at a rate of \$60/sick day for certified staff and \$40/sick day for non-certified staff with this to begin immediately for those individuals who are eligible. Motion carried 7/0.

Early Retirement Incentive Four Year Plan

The board discussed following resolution for fiscal year 2023 and 2024, including age at 55, 15 years of service, a stipend of 35% of their last year’s regular salary, a payment of \$60/day for unused sick leave, plus a yearly health insurance stipend until age 65, for 15 certified staff members and/or administrative/directors per fiscal year and table this until next board meeting.

2021-22 School Calendar

Board reviewed the school calendar committees’ work, survey and changed the calendar.

Facilities Planning-Request for Proposals

**1120.** It was moved by Fish and seconded by Williams to approve the summer project list and establish request for proposals for the High School solar project and the Middle School heating, cooling, and ventilation project to be brought back to the board for review. Motion carried 7/0.

Request of Additional Personnel and Personnel Realignment

**1121.** It was moved by Williams and seconded by Van Steenhuyse to approve the personnel recommendations as presented. Motion carried 7/0.

Move into Closed Session for Student Discipline as Allowed by Iowa Code 21.5(1)(e)

**1122.** It was moved by Van Steenhuyse and seconded by Fish to enter into closed session as allowed by Iowa code 21.5(1)(e) at 7:25 p.m. Motion carried 7/0 on a roll call vote.

By consensus the board returned to open session at 7:36 p.m.

Motion on Student Discipline

**1123.** It was moved by Humiston and seconded by Fish to approve the consent agreement concerning student A. Motion carried 7/0 on a roll call vote.

**Audience comments on any of the preceding items**

There were no audience comments on any of the preceding items.

**Correspondence Items/Reports**

- January Accounts Payable reports and General Fund
- February Accounts Payable reports and General Fund

**Adjournment**

President Burke adjourned the meeting at 7:39 p.m.

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Tom Burke, President

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Brenda Barkdoll, Secretary