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September 11, 2008

The **Van Buren Board of Education** met in regular session on **Thursday, September 11, 2008**, at 7:00 P.M. in the community room with the following roll call:

Mr. Jeff Salisbury	Present
Mr. Ken Rowles	Absent
Mr. Matt Conkle	Present
Mrs. Karen Flanagan	Present
Mr. Chris McKinley	Present

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

(08-074) ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

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

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

(08-075) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Mrs. Flanagan and seconded by Mr. Conkle to approve the minutes of the August 14, 2008, meeting as written.

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

Van Buren FFA members, Lindsay Rinker and Brooke Rehus, addressed the board regarding the chapter attending the National FFA Convention. Eight students would like to attend the convention being held on October 22-25 in Indianapolis, Indiana. At this year's national convention Van Buren alumni, David Shultz, will be receiving the American Degree. There are seven FFA members that would like to attend the State FFA Convention on May 1-2, 2009 in Columbus, Ohio.

Mr. Ed May, Van Buren Athletic Booster President, discussed the purchase of a drop down patriot flag for the high school gymnasium. The boosters would pay for the flag and they would like for the school to pay for the installation (approx. \$500). Future projects discussed were the girls' softball field and the purchase of a soccer scoreboard. The Athletic Boosters inquired about the possibility of having a concession stand at an athletic event (basketball).

Mr. Dick Lehman, Elementary Principal, reported enrollment up from last year with the largest increases in the second and fourth grades. The Intervention Assistance Team continues their work to assist teachers and parents in dealing with special needs students. All third graders will be given the reading section of the achievement tests followed by the cognitive and Iowa tests. The fifth grade will also be taking the cognitive ability and Iowa test. Students Zoie Nieto, Gage Chambers, Abby Patterson, Summer Poland, and Allison Snider were honored as "Great Lakes Scholars" for the 2007-2008 school year. These students were recommended by their teachers, maintained a "B" or higher grade point average, and participated in community service and extra curricular activities. The "What If" program through the space foundation encourages students to learn and write their thoughts and ideas about space. This is a national program that our students took part in last spring. Callie Spears won first place and Cole Ohlrich second place in the third through fifth grade category and Kailee Missler won second place in the first through second grade category. Congratulations to these students for a job well done!

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Mr. Jay Clark, Middle School Principal, reported an increase of 9 students over the enrollment at the end of last school year. Mr. Chris Kniss, Director of Technology, has created a top-notch video production of the daily announcements for the middle school classrooms. WEB (Where Everybody Belongs) leaders, a group of eighth grade mentors, used a number of activities to instill the culture of a school where students feel invited to learn. Parents are invited to discuss middle school matters over a cup of coffee. The first of three parent coffees will take place on September 19th.

In the absence of the superintendent, Tim Myers, the board president reviewed the superintendent's report and highlighted the district report card with a grade of "Excellent with Distinction", stadium bleachers, a newspaper article in The Courier about the use of automated, cashless lunch system that we are currently using, and strategic planning.

(08-076) FFATRIPS APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Salisbury and seconded by Mr. Conkle to approve members of the FFA to attend the National FFA convention in Indianapolis, Indiana on October 22-25, 2008, and to attend the State FFA convention on May 1-2, 2009, in Columbus, Ohio providing the superintendent and high school principal approve.

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

(08-077) TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT, RECONCILIATION, INVESTMENTS, AND OTHER BUSINESS APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Conkle and seconded by Mr. Salisbury to approve the financial report, reconciliation, investments, and other business as follows:

1. 08/31/08 Huntington Bank \$8,774,355.46 2.165%
2. Certificate of Deposit #07261940685 for \$4,000,000 with Huntington Bank effective September 2, 2008, for nine months (273 days) matures June 2, 2009. Interest rate is 3.02%
3. Agreement for vision impaired services with Logan County Educational Service Center for the 2008-2009 school year at the cost of \$8,465.
4. Approve FY '09 Permanent Appropriations as follows:

001-GENERAL FUND

1100	Regular Instruction	\$2,683,409.00
1200	Special Instruction	656,396.00
1300	Vocational Instruction	209,957.00
1900	Other Instruction	499,642.00
2100	Support Services - Pupils	162,313.00
2200	Support Services - Instructional Staff	296,140.00
2300	Support Services - Board of Education	86,694.00
2400	Support Services - Administration	778,644.00
2500	Fiscal Services	413,170.00
2700	Operation and Maintenance of Plant	1,122,625.00
2800	Support Services - Pupil Transportation	526,083.22
2900	Support Services - Central	33,251.00
4100	Academic & Subject Oriented	33,461.00

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4500	Sports Oriented Activities	\$ 247,270.00
4600	School & Public Service Co-Curric.	11,325.00
5200	Site Improvement Services	5,253.00
7200	Transfers	70,000.00

TOTAL 001-GENERAL FUND	\$7,835,633.22
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ALL OTHER FUNDS

002	Bond Retirement	\$ 976,830.00
003	Permanent Improvement	346,500.00
006	Food Service	221,210.00
009	Uniform School Supplies	46,000.00
011	Rotary - Special Services	3,100.00
012	Adult Education	3,500.00
014	Rotary - Internal Services	25,000.00
016	Emergency Levy	1,399,085.00
018	Public School Support	23,600.00
035	Termination Benefits HB426 Fund	60,000.00
200	Student Managed Activity	62,812.84
300	District Managed Activity	121,715.00
432	Management Information System	6,000.00
452	SchoolNet Professional Development	2,430.00
499	Miscellaneous State Grant Fund	2,630.16
516	Idea Part B Grants	152,164.39
572	Title I Disadvantaged Children	100,204.40
573	Title V Innovative Education Program	660.70
584	Drug Free School Grant Fund	2,741.60
587	Idea Preschool - Handicapped	2,308.18
590	Improving Teacher Quality	28,769.70
599	Miscellaneous Federal Grant Fund	940.85

GRAND TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$11,423,836.04
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5. Approve FY '09 Spending Plan as presented.

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

(08-078) CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED

It was moved by Mrs. Flanagan and seconded by Mr. McKinley to approve the following consent agenda:

1. Employ personnel for the 2008-2009 school year as follows:

Basketball, Boys 7th Grade Coach

Brian Bays

Substitute Assistant Treasurer
(at \$14.73 per hour by time sheet)

Valerie Kaufman

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2. Accept the following foreign exchange students for the 2008-2009 school year:

Gerrit Sauer		Germany
Host family:	Pete and Sharon Male	(YFU)
	7640 Hickory Lane	
	Findlay, Ohio 45840	
Christina Lupi		Italy
Host family:	Virginia and Rene Dore	(AFS)
	2125 Lone Tree Dr.	
	Findlay, Ohio 45840	

3. Approve the substitute teachers for the 2008-2009 school year as presented and recommended by the Hancock County Educational Service Center.
4. Enter into the agreement with the Wood County Educational Service Center for the Wood County Juvenile Detention Center and the Juvenile Residential Center of North-west Ohio at the following costs for the 2008-2009 school year:

\$55 per student per day for VB students assigned to JDC
\$45 per student per day for VB students assigned to JRC

5. Approve payment in-lieu-of transportation that has been deemed "impractical" for the 2008-2009 school year:

<u>Student</u>	<u>Parent</u>	<u>Address</u>
Justin Adams	Anthony Adams	13693 TR 108, Findlay, OH

Therefore, the Van Buren School hereby agrees to pay the parents of the above listed students in-lieu-of providing such service an amount which has been determined by the ODE as the minimum for payment in-lieu-of transportation under ORS 3327.02 to transport all pupils in the state the preceding year.

6. Employ Stephanie Brown as mentor for the 2008-2009 school year and pay a stipend of \$500.
7. Employ Linda Schwemley as mentor for the 2008-2009 school year and pay a stipend of \$500 from Van Buren Local School and HCESC will also pay \$500.
8. Approve the following volunteer coach for the 2008-2009 school year pending completion of sports medicine program:

Boys Basketball	Joe Faine
Wrestling	William Shoop

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The Board members discussed the following items:

1. Options for additional insurance coverage for earthquakes, floods, violence and buses. This will be put on the agenda next month.
2. The grand piano that the music boosters are raising funds to purchase.
3. Advertising

(08-079) ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Conkle and seconded by Mrs. Flanagan to adjourn at 8:25 P.M.

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

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Board President

Treasurer