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The **Van Buren Board of Education** met in open session with a public meeting on the high school principal, three teachers, and food service worker Retire/Rehire on **Thursday, April 16, 2015**, at 6:30 P.M. in the community room. Audience members asked questions regarding retire/rehire pros and cons.

The **Van Buren Board of Education** met in regular session on **Thursday, April 16, 2015**, at 7:00 P.M. in the community room with the following roll call:

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

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

(15-029) ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

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

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

(15-030) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Mrs. Flanagan and seconded by Mrs. Campbell to approve the minutes of the March 12, 2015, and March 19, 2015, meetings as written.

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

Senior Thomas Wolford and classmates were presented a reward for their work on making a prosthetic hand for a little girl with the 3-D printer in their Advanced Design class.

Chase Bank presented new program. They recommended credit cards with names because Mastercard will not cover fraud or misuse without names on the cards. Treasurer mentioned that all comments in reference to the credit cards are a result of the 2011-2013 audit, and not the current audit because it has not been released yet. No comments were related to the current audit. Questions about the amount of cards were asked and it was discussed to look at other area schools to see how many they have.

Common Core handout was given to the Board. MS/HS Art teacher Rhonda Nye spoke about the Juried Art show and that it will be held on Friday and Saturday, April 17 & 18. HS English teacher Diana Inbody spoke in reference to FMLA leave.

Building Principals gave their reports to the Board. Elementary Principal Mr. Newcomer spoke about Muffins for Mom and that they had around 400 people attend and it went very well. He also thanked Mrs. Lark McCormick for her service and dedication over the years. The Everyday Math handout was sent to the Board. It is new for Grades K-5 and 6. He wants to purchase K-6 updated series and if purchased before July 31, they can get a discount. Mr. Newcomer also talked about Kindergarten teachers interviews and reported that they currently have 61 enrolled and are planning for four classes. Middle School Principal Mr. Clark went over HB 139 Emergency Parcc testing did not pass so next round will begin April 24. High School Principal Mr. Brand reported

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that scheduling is almost done and that a lot more events have been added to the calendar since his report. Isaac Sexton gave a good speech at the Naturlization Ceremony. Cheri Rhodes spoke on behalf of VBEA.

During the technology report, it was reported that after attending the ESC Tech Coordinator meeting and after months of research and discussion, the tech team decided to move to Google mail.

Transportation/Maintenance Supervisor shared with the Board that Brandon Snyder earned Honorable Mention for Mechanic of the Year in the state of Ohio. He also reported that methane gas was detected by Arlington Gas in outside parking lot. Two broken sewer lines were detected in parking lot. Sewer lines are Van Buren School responsibility because it is on our property. The report from Palmer should be done by the May Board meeting. Transportation is also looking at purchasing a new bus.

The Athletic Director reported that the Athletic Booster Reverse Raffle is Saturday, April 25. You can go to booster website from athletic website to purchase tickets. Discussion at the BVC AD meeting may result in some changes and create some challenges for next year's schedule. Hopewell Loudon is looking at different leagues. Board member Edd Van Horn asked how old the track is and how much money to resurface. A quote from last year was \$45,000. They talked about the track usage. It was also reported that 361 participating athletes, some counted more than once if in multiple sports, have an average GPA of 3.294.

Food Service Supervisor shared that state reimbursement for lunches went up so she will not be requesting lunch price increases for next year. The Superintendent reported that an agreement was reached with AEP for electricity, talked about Whirlpool appeal update, budget update, legal update, College Credit Plus, Palmer Conservation, and STEM and Curriculum audit. He answered questions regarding College Credit Plus and Rhodes College.

Curriculum audit won't be until next fall. Mike Leifheit talked about what parts of Strategic Plan have been looked at.

(15-031) 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 (Exhibit 1), reconciliation, investments, and other business as follows:

1. Approve the Hancock County ESC Alternative Opportunity Center contract for 2015-2016 school year as Exhibit 2.
2. Approve the Hancock County ESC Special Education contract for 2015-2016 school year as Exhibit 3.
3. Amend appropriation and estimate of revenues as Exhibit 4.
4. Approve contract with Hancock County ESC for preschool and transfer of preschool aid for the 2015-2016 to the Hancock County ESC as Exhibit 5.

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

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(15-032) CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED

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

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

Bus Driver Amy Ring
(at Step 0 of the O.A.P.S.E. Collective Bargaining Agreement effective April 7, 2015)

Substitute Bus Driver John Waldman
(effective April 20, 2015)

Substitute Secretary (effective April 13, 2015) Jenny Murphy

2. Approve the resignations of Christine DeCaro as bus driver effective March 18, 2015, Lark McCormick (for the purpose of retirement) as elementary teacher effective May 31, 2015, and Louise Teaman (for the purpose of retirement) as MS/HS librarian effective the month of June 2015.
3. Suspension of contracts at the conclusion of the 2014-2015 school year due to the need to implement a Reduction-in-Force (RIF). The reason is stated as uncertain of need for each employee.

Non-Certificated

Bus Drivers:

Jan Altman - Kindergarten noon route -- 1 day per week (Monday) for 2 hours by time sheet
Arian Keeran - Kindergarten noon route -- 1 day per week (Monday) for 2 hours by time sheet
Lynnette Griffith - AM & PM Millstream route -- by time sheet
Terri Sattler - Preschool route -- 4 days per week (Monday - Thursday) for 2 hours per day by time sheet
Winnie Saum - Preschool/AM Millstream route -- 2.25 hours a day by time sheet
Lynnette Griffith - set hours @ 3 hours per day -- spread pay
Terri Sattler - set hours @ 5 hours per day -- spread pay
Winnie Saum - set hours @ 4.25 hours per day -- spread pay

4. Non-renewal of non-certified personnel at the conclusion of the 2014-2015 school year as follows:

Extracurricular/Supplemental

Baseball, Head Coach	Brooks Lance
Baseball, Junior Varsity Coach	Brett Tony Swanagan
Basketball, Boys Head Coach	Marc Bishop
Basketball, Boys Freshman Coach	Brice Miller
Basketball, Boys 8 th Grade Coach	Ryan Brauneller
Basketball, Girls Head Coach	Shawn Ginnan
Basketball, Girls Assistant Coach	Todd Heslet
Basketball, Girls Freshman Coach	Abigail Allen
Basketball, Girls 8 th Grade Coach	Michelle Gray
Basketball, Girls 7 th Grade Coach	Brooke DeBusman
Cheerleading Advisor, Jr. High	Callie Bays
Cross Country, Assistant Coach	Zachary Wehrle

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Flag Corps Advisor	Julie Meyer
Football, Assistant Coach	Chase Barnes
Football, Assistant Coach	Ryan Brooks
Football, Assistant Coach	Phil Gunder
Football, Middle School Coach	Larry Adolph
Golf, Boys Asst. Coach	Jason Longbrake
Knightly News	Jim Baughman
Music, Accompanist to Choir Director	Becky Pummell
Percussion Instructor	Kane Benner
Soccer, Boys Head Coach	Jeff Swaisgood
Soccer, Boys Assistant Coach	Tom Swaisgood
Soccer, Girls Head Coach	Tom Piccirillo
Soccer, Girls Asst. Coach	Todd McCracken
Softball, Assistant Coach	Brooke Woodward
Softball, JV Coach	Jessica Hunter
Track, Asst. Varsity Coach	Abby Allen
Track, Asst. Varsity Coach	Garret Brooks
Track, Middle School Coach	Lyn Loewen
Track, Middle School Coach	Zach Wehrle
Volleyball, Varsity Coach	Marcy Byrd
Volleyball, Assistant Coach	Brooke DeBusman
Volleyball, 8 th Grade Coach	Ashley Miklovic-Inbody
Volleyball, 7 th Grade Coach	Jessica Bear
Wrestling, Head Coach	Bryan Whitticar
Wrestling, Assistant Varsity Coach	Travis Ricker
Wrestling, Middle School Coach	Scott Adomanis
Wrestling, Assistant Middle School Coach	Nic Sorg

5. Employ personnel effective with the 2015-2016 school year as follows:

Bus Driver	John Waldman
(one-year contract at Step 0 of the O.A.P.S.E. Collective Bargaining Agreement effective August 18, 2015)	

6. Approve participation in the following:

Northwest Ohio Educational Technology (NWOET) Basic and LEARN360 Video Streaming contract for elementary only at a cost of \$550.31 for the 2015- 2016 school year as Exhibit 6.

7. Approve the resolution of Board of Education Placing Employee on an Unpaid Leave of Absence as follows:

WHEREAS, the Superintendent on March 27, 2015, gave employee Sonya Ruiz written notice of his intention to recommend the employee be placed on an unpaid leave of absence for two years;

WHEREAS, the Board of Education gave employee Sonya Ruiz an opportunity for a hearing against said recommendation at its meeting on April 16, 2015;

WHEREAS, the Board of Education believes there are grounds to accept the recommendation and place said employee on an unpaid leave of absence;

WHEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Van Buren Local School District Board of Education that employee Sonya Ruiz, pursuant to Section 3319.13 of the Ohio Revised Code, is placed on an unpaid leave of absence beginning at 12:01 A.M. on April 17, 2015, and ending at 11:59 P.M. on April 16, 2017.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer shall mail written notice of the adoption of this Resolution to said employee.

8. Approve donations from the Cloyce Wolfe Memorial to be split between girls golf (\$30) and the music department (\$350).

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

The Board discussed elementary/middle school week-long program in August. No more than \$10,000, no bussing, could reach 20% of students. They also discussed staffing needs.

(15-033) EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Mrs. Flanagan and seconded by Mr. Leifheit to convene into executive session at 9:02 P.M. to discuss employment and compensation of personnel per ORC 121.22 (G) (1).

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

The meeting was opened to the public at 9:58 P.M.

(15-034) FMLA APPROVED FOR DIANA INBODY

It was moved by Mrs. Flanagan and seconded by Mr. Leifheit to approve FMLA request for Diana Inbody for intermittent leave for the rest of the 2014-2015 school year.

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

Mr. Van Horn mentioned that this intermittent leave approval is only because there are only a few weeks left in the school year.

(15-035) ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mrs. Flanagan and seconded by Mr. Rowles to adjourn at 10:00 P.M.

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

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Board President

Treasurer