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December 8, 2016

The **Van Buren Board of Education** met in regular session on **Thursday, December 8, 2016**, at 7:00 P.M. in the community room at Van Buren Local School with the following roll call:

Mr. Mike Leifheit	Present
Mr. Jeff Salisbury	Absent
Mr. Jim Griffith	Present
Mr. Ken Rowles	Present
Ms. Kim Thomas	Present

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

(16-100) ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

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

Vote: Mr. Leifheit, yes; Mr. Rowles, yes; Mr. Griffith, yes; Ms. Thomas, yes. The President declared the motion carried 4-0.

(16-101) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Mr. Griffith and seconded by Ms. Thomas to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2016, meeting as written.

Vote: Mr. Griffith, yes; Ms. Thomas, yes; Mr. Leifheit, yes; Mr. Rowles, yes. The President declared the motion carried 4-0.

Informative reports and communications were given by Elementary, Middle School, and High School Principals. VBEA, Technology, Maintenance/Transportation Supervisor, and Athletic Director gave their reports. The Superintendent shared his report.

(16-102) TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT, RECONCILIATION, INVESTMENTS, AND OTHER BUSINESS

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

1. Renew annual membership with OSBA for calendar year 2017 at cost of \$4,074; (last year dues were \$4,275) renew annual OSBA "Briefcase" subscription electronic copy free of charge; and renew annual "School Management News" electronic copy subscription for expected cost of \$150.

Vote: Mr. Leifheit, yes; Ms. Thomas, yes; Mr. Griffith, yes; Mr. Rowles, yes. The President declared the motion carried 4-0.

Board Member Jeff Salisbury arrived at 7:50 PM.

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(16-103) CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Rowles and seconded by Mr. Salisbury to approve the following consent agenda:

1. Approve Thursday, January 12, 2017, at 6:30 P.M. as the date and time for the Organization and Budget Hearing meetings (Budget must be approved by January 15, 2017), and appoint Mike Leifheit as president pro-tem for the organizational meeting.
2. Accept the resignations of Christa McMonigal (for the purpose of retirement) as Food Service Supervisor effective June 1, 2017, and Aaron Hackworth as custodian effective December 8, 2016.
3. Employ personnel for the 2016-2017 school year as follows:

Bus Coordinator	Kevin Kirkpatrick
Substitute Custodian	(effective November 21, 2016) Deb Scharff
Substitute Food Service Worker	(effective December 6, 2016) Matt Conkle
4. Approve to participate in the State of Ohio Cooperative Purchasing Program effective January 1, 2017, for one year at a cost of \$100.
5. Approve a donation of \$500 to the Alliance for High Quality Education for lobbyist services on the Fair Funding Initiative.

Vote: Mr. Rowles, yes; Mr. Salisbury, yes; Mr. Griffith, yes; Mr. Leifheit, yes; Ms. Thomas, yes.
The President declared the motion carried 5-0.

The Board discussed the Graduation Requirements - Policies, and discussion and input was given on the 2017-2018 school year calendar.

(16-104) HIGH SCHOOL COURSE DESCRIPTION GUIDE APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Leifheit and seconded by Ms. Thomas to approve the high school course description guide for the 2017-2018 school year as presented.

Vote: Mr. Leifheit, yes; Ms. Thomas, yes; Mr. Griffith, yes; Mr. Rowles, yes; Mr. Salisbury, yes.
The President declared the motion carried 5-0.

(16-105) PORTIONS OF THE STRATEGIC PLAN APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Rowles and seconded by Mr. Salisbury to approve the strategic plan portions including the high level goals, the detailed plans, and the background, with dates and accountable people added when applicable in the 3rd quarter of FY '17.

Vote: Mr. Rowles, yes; Mr. Salisbury, yes; Mr. Griffith, yes; Mr. Leifheit, yes; Ms. Thomas, yes.
The President declared the motion carried 5-0.

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(16-106) EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Mr. Leifheit and seconded by Mr. Griffith to convene into executive session at 9:29 P.M. to discuss employment and compensation of personnel; and preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment per ORC 121.22 (G) (1 & 4).

Vote: Mr. Leifheit, yes; Mr. Griffith, yes; Mr. Rowles, yes; Mr. Salisbury, yes; Ms. Thomas, yes. The President declared the motion carried 5-0.

The meeting was opened to the public at 11:11 P.M.

(16-107) ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Ms. Thomas and seconded by Mr. Leifheit to adjourn at 11:14 P.M.

Vote: Ms. Thomas, yes; Mr. Leifheit, yes; Mr. Griffith, yes; Mr. Rowles, yes; Mr. Salisbury, yes. The President declared the motion carried 5-0.

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Board President

Treasurer