

1 **St. Albans City School District Board of Commissioners**

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3 **ST. ALBANS CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD MEETING**

4 **August 11, 2016 6:00 p.m., St. Albans City School**

5 **MINUTES**

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7 **Present for a Quorum:** Kristina Ellsworth-Spooner, Tayt Brooks, Angela Bernard, Patrick Daunais,
8 James Farr

9 **Unable to Attend:** Ken Wade, Denise Smith

10 **Administrators:** Joan Cavallo, Principal; Kevin Dirth, Superintendent; Martha Gagner, Business
11 Manager; Georgie Andrews, Assistant Principal.

12 **1. Call to Order – Jim Farr called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.**

13 **2. Pledge of Allegiance**

14 **3. Agenda Review**

15 **Tayt Brooks made a motion at to approve the agenda; second by Pat Daunais. The motion passed**
16 **unanimously.**

17 **4. Visitors**

18 A. Presentations – there were no presentations.

19 **5. Consent Agenda**

20 B. Approval of Minutes June 2 and June 28, 2016

21 **Kristina Ellsworth-Spooner made a motion to approve the June 2 and June 28, 2016 minutes; second**
22 **by Angela Bernard. The motion passed unanimously.**

23 C. FCSU Update - Kevin Dirth highlighted that the administrative staff attended a VPA
24 workshop last week, where Joan Cavallo is President Elect, and Geoffrey Lyons received
25 the Assistant High School Principal award. The convocation is August 26 from 8:00 a.m.
26 to 1:00 p.m. at Collins Perley and all board members are welcome. He let the Board
27 know that, because of the addition of meetings related to Maple Run, Central Office
28 staff will only be attending when the agenda requires it.

29 D. Principal's Report - Joan Cavallo reported that she would love to have the Board see
30 some of the work that has been done over the summer. In particular, the concrete
31 work, the lockers, and the bathrooms. They did a brief tour. The pre K classroom has not
32 moved because they are still waiting for the Development Review Board to approve it.
33 They are using their plan B in the interim. There is ten feet of property that is not
34 deeded properly. This should be on an upcoming agenda to clean up that deed issue.
35 The bus situation has been fixed by redesigning routes and reducing them from seven to
36 five so that they would work for the bus company. There was savings by reducing the

number of buses, but this company cannot provide van service. Administration would like to get a van because it serves multiple purposes. There are state contracts for that so we will discuss it later on the agenda.

- E. VSBA Update - James Farr reported that he was not able to attend last night's meeting, so he has no report.

6. **Old Business**

- F. Maple Run USD Update - James Farr reported that they continue to meet regularly. Last month they met here at SACS and two nights ago they met at NWTC. Negotiations are about to get started for Maple Run on August 30. They had two Board retreats with VSBA's Harry Frank.

7. **New Business**

- G. *Employment Matters

G1. Resignation Laura Eichorn – This was an FYI to the Board.

- H. *Student Matters – There is a request for three students to remain at City School despite a move to St. Albans Town.

Tayt Brooks made a motion to allow the three students to remain at SACS for the FY17 school year; second by Kristina Ellsworth-Spooner. The motion passed unanimously.

It was noted that they should be notified that we can only approve for one year.

- I. VSBA_VEHl Petition – There is a request to sign a petition for VSBA Representation on the VEHl Board.

Tayt Brooks made a motion to approve signing the petition; second by Kristina Ellsworth-Spooner. The motion carried unanimously.

- J. Van Purchase - Administration seeks approval to purchase a van for student transportation because the bus contract does not include it. The savings from reduction in the number of busses would allow the purchase of \$30,000 to \$35,000 depending.

Kristina made a motion to authorize the purchase of the van for no more than \$38,000; second by Angela Bernard. The motion carried unanimously.

8. **Other Business**

- K. Warrants were provided for the Board's information.

- L. Monthly Financial Report was provided for the Board's information.

9. **Agenda Items for Future Meeting** – Property line issue.

10. **Potential Executive Session**

11. **Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Brenda Comstock