

**MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
OKAW VALLEY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT # 302
May 19, 2011**

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Board of Education of Okaw Valley Community Unit School District #302 was called to order at 7:00 P.M. in the OVIS Library by President Tim Rothrock with the following Board members and administrators present: Brooke Bartimus, Tracy Ryherd, Craig Macklin, Michelle McClain, Tim Rothrock, John Vander Burgh, Kari Younger, Mike Cummins, Eric Bruder, Doug McCausland, Paula Duis, and Joel Hackney.

VISITORS COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

David Johnson addressed the Board about an interest to lease the OVIS building for the purpose of starting an antique business with a possible restaurant to be added in the future.

Tim Rothrock extended an invitation to the entire Board to a graduation party.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda was presented for consideration:

- Recommendation to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held April 21, 2011, the special meeting held May 2, 2011, and the special meeting held May 9, 2011.
- Recommendation to approve the offering of an additional health insurance option for employees through Egyptian Trust.

It was moved by Brooke Bartimus and seconded by John Vander Burgh that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Roll call vote: Bartimus, yea; Ryherd, yea; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 7; Nay, 0; Absent,0; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT, BILLS, PAYROLL

The monthly financial report, bills, and payroll were presented for Board approval. The Superintendent recommended that bills and payroll for the school district be approved as follows:

- Bills for the month of May, 2011 - Education, \$28,186.08; O & M, \$15,701.89; Transportation, \$9515.59 ; Life/Safety, \$0; Tort, \$1307.79.
- Payroll for the month of April, 2011 - Education, \$261,705.31; O & M, \$13,750.64; Transportation, \$31,302.32; IMRF, \$16,443.85; Tort, \$17,116.45.

It was moved by Kari Younger and seconded by Michelle McClain that the payroll for the month of April, 2011, and that the bills for the month of May, 2011, be approved as presented. Roll call vote: Bartimus, yea; Ryherd, yea; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 7; Nay, 0; Absent, 0; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION

Principals' Reports: The principals submitted written reports and provided brief highlights/updates to the reports, and answered questions. Ms. Duis highlighted the author that was coming to read to the first grade students. Mr. McCausland indicated that the school raised \$554.45 for the Japan fund raiser. Mr. Cummins thanked the Sports Boosters for the t-shirts, highlighted the performance at the state track meet, indicated that 27 boys had signed up for middle school baseball, and highlighted the 8th graders visiting the high school for lunch on 5/20. Mr. Bruder highlighted the performance of the girls' track team at State and the boys' track team at Sectionals, provided information on Baccauleareate at the high school on May 15th, and indicated that the softball season ended their season in the 2nd round of Regionals.

Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Hackney provided a written report to the Board. The district luncheon at 12:00 on May 31st was highlighted. Additionally, the focus group meeting on May 21st was discussed and a huge thank you was expressed to the Findlay Bag Ladies for their donation of \$650 to the library fund.

School Improvement Update: The principals provided written reports and provided brief highlights/updates. Ms. Duis highlighted benchmarking and discipline data, provided information about the fun day on May 27th and the PBIS drawing, and provided an overview of the differentiated instruction professional development throughout the year. Mr. McCausland provided discipline data for the year and highlighted the benchmarking scores at OVIS. Mr. Cummins indicated that the final benchmark at the middle school will be done next week, discussed the EXPLORE results, and highlighted the fun day on the 27th. Mr. Bruder highlighted the formation of FLEX groups based on PLAN and EXPLORE data and indicated the focus on differentiated instruction and progress monitoring at the high school for next year.

PURCHASE TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT

Superintendent Hackney recommended the purchase of technology equipment to be purchased and deployed to the various buildings.

It was moved by Brooke Bartimus and seconded by Kari Younger that the Board approve the technology purchases as presented. Roll call vote: Bartimus, yea; Ryherd, yea; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 7; Nay, 0; Absent, 0; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Various course and schedule change recommendations from the District Curriculum Committee were discussed.

It was moved by Brooke Bartimus and seconded by Michelle McClain that the Board approve the District Curriculum Committee recommendations to add/revise courses as well as changing the OVMS and OVHS schedule format as presented. Roll call vote: Bartimus, yea; Ryherd, yea; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 7; Nay, 0; Absent, 0; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Kari Younger and seconded by Brooke Bartimus that the Board enter closed session at 8:58 p.m. as provided in 5 ILCS 120/2, subsection (c) for the purpose of discussing matters related to appointment, employment, performance, and compensation of employees. Roll call vote: Bartimus, yea; Ryherd, yea; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 7; Nay, 0; Absent, 0; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

It was moved by Brook Bartimus and seconded by Tracy Ryherd that the Board of Education return to open session at 10:32 p.m. Voice Vote: All voted aye. Motion carried.

RETIREMENT

It was moved by Brooke Bartimus and seconded by Kari Younger that the Board approve letter of intent to retire at the end of the 2012-2013 school year submitted by Denise Piatt. Roll Call Vote: Bartimus, yea; Ryherd, yea; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 7; Nay, 0; Absent, 0; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

RESIGNATION

It was moved by Brooke Bartimus and seconded by Michelle Cummins that the Board accept the resignation of Jean Rezinias effective the end of the 2010-2011 school year. Roll Call Vote: Bartimus, yea; Ryherd, yea; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 7; Nay, 0; Absent, 0; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

RECALL

It was moved by Michelle McClain and seconded by Brooke Bartimus that the Board approve the recall of Cynthia VanDeventer for the 2011-2012 school year. Roll Call Vote: Bartimus, yea; Ryherd, yea; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 7; Nay, 0; Absent, 0; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

EMPLOYMENT

It was moved by Brooke Bartimus and seconded by Kari Younger that the Board approve Bruce Manola as the head high school girls' basketball coach for the 2011-2012 season. Roll Call Vote: Bartimus, yea; Ryherd, yea; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 7; Nay, 0; Absent, 0; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

It was moved by Tim Rothrock and seconded by Brooke Bartimus that the Board approve Brock Nichols as head middle school boys' basketball coach for the 2011-2012 season. Roll Call Vote: Bartimus, yea; Ryherd, abstain; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 6; Nay, 0; Absent, 0; Abstention, 1. Motion carried.

It was moved by Michelle McClain and seconded by Kari Younger that the Board approve Kayla Miller as the high school cheerleading sponsor for the 2011-2012 season. Roll Call Vote: Bartimus, yea; Ryherd, yea; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 7; Nay, 0; Absent, 0; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

It was moved by Kari Younger and seconded by Tracy Ryherd that the Board approve Andy Wagner as OVHS golf coach for the 2011-2012 season. Roll Call Vote: Bartimus, yea; Ryherd, yea; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 7; Nay, 0; Absent, 0; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

It was moved by Kari Younger and seconded by Tim Rothrock that the Board approve the summer school staff as presented. Roll Call Vote: Bartimus, yea; Ryherd, yea; Macklin, abstain; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 6; Nay, 0; Absent, 0; Abstention, 1. Motion carried.

It was moved by Brooke Bartimus and seconded by Craig Macklin that the Board approve the reduction of Cindy Gollus from a 12 month employee to a 10 month employee. Roll Call Vote: Bartimus, yea; Ryherd, yea; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 7; Nay, 0; Absent, 0; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

It was moved by Kari Younger and seconded by Michelle McClain that the Board approve the summer custodial staff as presented. Roll Call Vote: Bartimus, yea; Ryherd, yea; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 7; Nay, 0; Absent, 0; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

EXTRACURRICULAR ASSIGNMENTS

It was moved by Michelle McClain and seconded by Kari Younger that the Board approve the tentative 2011-2012 extracurricular assignments as presented. Roll Call Vote: Bartimus, yea; Ryherd, yea; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 7; Nay, 0; Absent, 0; Abstention, 0. Motion carried

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Brooke Bartimus and seconded by Kari Younger that the Board of Education adjourn at 10:42 p.m. Voice vote: All voted aye. The motion carried.

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education