

**MINUTES  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
OKAW VALLEY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT # 302  
May 20, 2010**

**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 OVHS Computer Lab by Vice President Michelle McClain with the following Board members and administrators present: Brooke Bartimus, Craig Macklin, Michelle McClain, Tim Rothrock, John Vander Burgh, Kari Younger, Mike Cummins, Eric Bruder, Doug McCausland, and Joel Hackney. Sean Creviston and Paula Duis were absent.

**VISITORS COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

Vice President McClain called for visitor comments. There were no visitor comments.

A thank you note from Lesa Oathout was read for allowing her to do her practicum at Okaw Valley as well as a thank you note from the family of Emily Marie Fabert for the flowers. Additionally, an invite to Board members and administrators was given for upcoming graduation parties

**CONSENT AGENDA**

The Consent Agenda was presented for consideration:

- Recommendation to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held April 22, 2010
- Recommendation to approve the changes to the OVIS activity accounts..

It was moved by Tim Rothrock and seconded by Craig Macklin that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Roll call vote: Bartimus, yea; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 6; Nay, 0; Absent, 1; 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, 2010 - Education, \$40,527.97; O & M, \$11,539.03; Transportation, \$10,156.59 ; Life/Safety, \$0; Tort, \$155.

- Payroll for the month of April, 2010 - Education, \$275,730.01; O & M, \$14,074.87; Transportation, \$27,821.41; IMRF, \$16,446.42; Tort, \$8825.48.

It was moved by Brooke Bartimus and seconded by Craig Macklin that the payroll for the month of April, 2010, and that the bills for the month of May, 2010, be approved as presented. Roll call vote: Bartimus, yea; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 6; Nay, 0; Absent, 1; 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. Mr. Bruder highlighted the Honors Banquet held on May 19<sup>th</sup>, the senior fishing event and horse camp, and the upcoming Ag Fair. Mr. Cummins highlighted the 7<sup>th</sup> grade class winning the monthly pizza party, the results of the state track meet, and the Spring sports banquet. Mr. McCausland mentioned that rewards day would be held Wednesday, May 26<sup>th</sup> and highlighted the activities during the EIU visit.

**Superintendent's Report:** Superintendent Hackney provided a written report to the Board. The district luncheon at 12:00 on May 28<sup>th</sup> was highlighted. Additionally, the need to set meeting dates for accepting roof bids, approving bond resolutions and participating in the Board Governance Review was discussed. An invitation was given to the Board to attend the sign unveiling at the elementary school on May 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 to honor of the elementary school receiving the 2009 Academic Excellence Award.

**School Improvement Update:** The principals provided written reports and provided brief highlights/updates. Mr. Bruder highlighted the OV Way Committee's motto and mentioned that more incoming freshman would be scheduled into Algebra I instead of Geometry next year. Mr. Cummins highlighted the OV Way officers for next year as well as the building solutions team meetings that were held on May 14<sup>th</sup>. Mr. McCausland provided an overview of the discipline, DIBELS 3-D, and differentiated instruction data for the intermediate school.

**Other:** Mr. Hackney presented a request to the Board for a student in another school district to attend the Okaw Valley summer school program. It was decided by the Board that the summer school program would only be available to Okaw Valley students.

## **PURCHASE TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT**

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

It was moved by Craig Macklin and seconded by Tim Rothrock that the Board approve the technology purchases as presented. Roll call vote: Bartimus, yea; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 6; Nay, 0; Absent, 1; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

## **BOARD POLICY REVISIONS**

Superintendent Hackney presented the policy committee's proposed board policy revisions.

It was moved by Kari Younger and seconded by Brooke Bartimus that the Board approve on first reading revisions to Board policies as presented. Roll call vote: Bartimus, yea; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 6; Nay, 0; Absent, 1; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

## **CURRICULUM COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

Revisions to the OVIS handbook as well as OVMS and OVHS course revisions/additions were presented to the Board.

It was moved by Brooke Bartimus and seconded by Kari Younger that the Board approve the District Curriculum Committee recommendations for additional handbook changes and course revisions/additions as presented. Roll call vote: Bartimus, yea; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 6; Nay, 0; Absent, 1; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

It was moved by Kari Younger and seconded by Michelle McClain that the Board enter closed session at 8:10 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; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 6; Nay, 0; Absent, 1; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

It was moved by Kari Younger and seconded by Brooke Bartimus that the Board of Education return to open session at 9:46 p.m. Voice Vote: All voted aye. Motion carried.

## EMPLOYMENT

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

It was moved by Michelle McClain and seconded by Brooke Bartimus that the Board approve the recommendations for summer school employment as presented. Roll Call Vote: Bartimus, yea; Macklin, abstain; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 5; Nay, 0; Absent, 1; Abstention, 1. Motion carried.

It was moved by Brooke Bartimus and seconded by Kari Younger that the Board employ Marvin Honn as assistant high school girls' basketball coach for the 2010-2011 school year. Roll Call Vote: Bartimus, yea; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 6; Nay, 0; Absent, 1; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

It was moved by Michelle McClain and seconded by Craig Macklin that the Board employ Bruce Manola as the head middle school boys' basketball coach for the 2010-2011 school year. Roll Call Vote: Bartimus, yea; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 6; Nay, 0; Absent, 1; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

It was moved by Brooke Bartimus and seconded by Craig Macklin that the Board approve Jared Macari as assistant middle school boys' basketball coach for the 2010-2011 school year. Roll Call Vote: Bartimus, yea; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 6; Nay, 0; Absent, 1; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

It was moved by Brooke Bartimus and seconded by Michelle McClain that the Board employ Meghan Blakey as the middle school and high school assistant volleyball coach for the 2010-2011 school year. Roll Call Vote: Bartimus, yea; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 6; Nay, 0; Absent, 1; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

It was moved by Kari Younger and seconded by Tim Rothrock that the Board employ Jennifer Fructhl as the middle school cheer sponsor for the 2010-2011 school year. Roll Call Vote: Bartimus, yea; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 6; Nay, 0; Absent, 1; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

It was moved by Craig Macklin and seconded by Tim Rothrock that the Board employ Amanda Cole as the district school psychologist for the 2010-2011 school year. Roll Call Vote: Bartimus, yea; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 6; Nay, 0; Absent, 1; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

#### **EXTRACURRICULAR ASSIGNMENTS**

It was moved by Tim Rothrock and seconded by Brooke Bartimus that the Board approve the tentative 2010-2011 extracurricular assignments as presented. Roll Call Vote: Bartimus, yea; Macklin, yea; McClain, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 6; Nay, 0; Absent, 1; Abstention, 0. Motion carried

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Superintendent Hackney indicated that the signs for the OVES playground were in and would be put up this summer.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Brooke Bartimus and seconded by Kari Younger that the Board of Education adjourn at 9:56 p.m. Voice vote: All voted aye. The motion carried.

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President, Board of Education

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Secretary, Board of Education