

**REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
OKAW VALLEY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #302
September 22, 2011**

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Board of Education of Okaw Valley Community Unit School District #302 was called to order at 7:01 P.M. 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, Doug McCausland, Mike Cummins, and Joel Hackney. Eric Bruder was absent.

VISITORS COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

President Rothrock called for visitor comments and communication. There were no visitor comments and no written communications to the Board.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda, consisting of the following items, was presented to the Board of Education:

- Approve the minutes of the regular meeting held August 18, 2011 and the special meeting held September 1, 2011.
- Approve the closing of the OVIS activity accounts and the transferring of funds to the appropriate activity accounts at OVES and OVMS.

It was moved by Brooke Bartimus and seconded by Kari Younger that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Roll call vote: Bartimus, 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 September, 2011 - Education, \$45,733.39 O & M, \$116,373.71; Transportation, \$85,612.14; Life/Safety, \$0; Tort, \$1847.25.
- Payroll for the month of August, 2011 - Education, \$39,820.78; O & M,

\$19,354.07; Transportation, \$1523.94; IMRF, \$5920.08; Tort, \$1523.94.

It was moved by Michelle McClain and seconded by Tracy Ryherd that the payroll for the month of August, 2011 and that the bills for the month of September, 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, provided brief comments, and answered questions. Mr. Cummins highlighted the OVMS baseball season, indicated that both the 7th and 8th grade girls' basketball team finished 2nd in the Connie Casey Classic, and provided information about the newly formed middle school drama club. Mr. McCausland highlighted the great turnout at Grandparents' Day/Open House, the revamping of the treasure chest for PBIS, and the upcoming musical on bullying that will be presented by the Sullivan 6th grade choir.

Superintendent's Report: Mr. Hackney provided a written report. He provided an update on the progress of the OVMS renovations and the workshop attended on September 20th dealing with building background knowledge for academic achievement. Discussion was also held on the need for the transportation and facilities committee to meet as well as the IASB proposals that will be voted on at the school board convention in November.

School Improvement Reports: The principals provided written school improvement reports to the Board. Mr. Cummins discussed the goals developed by the school improvement team and indicated that they are now working on the activities. He also highlighted the SIP day held on September 2nd as well as the learning styles profiles test given to all students. Mr. McCausland also discussed the goals set by the district and the process of developing activities to go along with the goals. He also discussed the progress of benchmarking and progress monitoring in the building.

FY 2012 BUDGET

School boards must adopt a budget before the end of the first quarter (September 30th) of each fiscal year.

It was moved by Brooke Bartimus and seconded by Michelle McClain that the Board approve the school district budget for FY 2012 as presented. Roll call vote: Bartimus, yea; Ryherd, yea; Mc Clain, yea; Macklin, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 7; Nay, 0; Absent, 0; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

SCHOOL REPORT CARDS

Mr. Hackney presented information from the recently released 2011 district and school report cards. Discussion was held on possible activities to ensure we continue to improve our performance in all areas

It was moved by Kari Younger and seconded by Michelle McClain that the Board approve the annual school report cards as presented. Roll call vote: Bartimus, yea; Ryherd, yea; Mc Clain, yea; Macklin, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 7; Nay, 0; Absent, 0; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

2010-2011 APPLICATION FOR RECOGNITION OF SCHOOLS

Annually, the District must submit assurance of district compliance with state accreditation requirements.

It was moved by Brooke Bartimus and seconded by Tim Rothrock that the Board approve the 2011-2012 Application for Recognition of Schools as presented. Roll call vote: Bartimus, yea; Ryherd, yea; Mc Clain, yea; Macklin, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 7; Nay, 0; Absent, 0; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

BOARD POLICY REVISIONS

Board policy revisions that resulted from the policy committee's periodic review of Board policies were presented.

It was moved by Tracy Ryherd and seconded by Michelle McClain that the Board approve on first reading revisions to Board policies as presented. Roll call vote: Bartimus, yea; Ryherd, yea; Mc Clain, yea; Macklin, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 7; Nay, 0; Absent, 0; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE SALARY REPORT

The Fiscal Year 2011 administrative salary report was presented to the Board.

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

CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Brooke Bartimus and seconded by Craig Macklin that the Board enter closed session at 8:23 P. M. as provided in 5 ILCS 120/2, subsection (c) for the purpose of discussing matters related to employment, compensation, and/or discipline of employees and matters related to collective negotiations. Roll call vote: Bartimus, yea; Ryherd, yea; Mc Clain, yea; Macklin, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 7; Nay, 0; Absent, 0; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

It was moved by Brooke Bartimus and seconded by Kari Younger that the Board of Education return to open session at 8:58 P. M. Voice Vote: All voted aye. Motion carried.

EMPLOYMENT

It was moved by Michelle McClain and seconded by Tim Rothrock that the Board approve Tracie Yantis as the OVHS Assistant Girls' Basketball coach for the 2011-2012 season. Roll call vote: Bartimus, yea; Ryherd, yea; Mc Clain, yea; Macklin, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 7; Nay, 0; Absent, 0; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

It was moved by Michelle McClain and seconded by Tim Rothrock that the Board approve the employment of Jodi McCormick as OVHS Resource Aide for the 2011-2012 school year. Roll call vote: Bartimus, yea; Ryherd, yea; Mc Clain, yea; Macklin, 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 Tracy Ryherd that the Board approve Seth Howell as volunteer assistant middle school boys'basketball coach. Roll call vote: Bartimus, yea; Ryherd, yea; Mc Clain, yea; Macklin, yea; Rothrock, yea; Vander Burgh, yea; Younger, yea. Yeas, 7; Nay, 0; Absent, 0; Abstention, 0. Motion carried.

RETIREMENT

It was moved by Brooke Bartimus and seconded by Kari Younger that the Board accept the resignation of Jerry Clark effective September 19, 2011. Roll call vote: Bartimus, yea; Ryherd, yea; Mc Clain, yea; Macklin, 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 Michelle McClain that the Board of Education adjourn at 9:04 P. M. Voice vote: All voted aye. The motion carried.

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education