

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
Board of Directors  
Vinton-Shellsburg Community Schools  
February 15, 2021**

**Call to Order**

President Levis called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. in the Administrative Office Board Room.

**Roll Call / Pledge of Allegiance**

Sue Gates, Kathy Van Steenhuyse, Mike Timmermans, Jake Fish, Becky Williams, Tom Burke, Rob Levis, Kyle Koeppen, Superintendent, and Brenda Barkdoll, Board Secretary/Treasurer were present.

**Audience Comments**

There were no visitor/audience comments.

**Administrator Reports**

Shelly Petersen shared professional development, PBIS work, activities, spring concerts, and fine arts night.

Matt Kingsbury shared activities, ACT testing, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade orientation.

Ryan Davis shared professional development, snow day participation, school emergency plan, winter elementary data, and virtual update.

Kyle Reeve shared winter elementary data, other testing assessments, PBIS committee, and International Kindness Week.

**Superintendent Report**

Superintendent Koeppen reported on school improvement work, legislative updates, coronavirus response, ESSER funds, insurance update, open enrollment requests, and the calendar.

**Board Reports/Requests**

Director Gates shared information from attending an insurance meeting, and SIAC meeting.

Director Van Steenhuyse shared information on budget webinars and advocacy letters. She also mentioned the cold war museum is postponed.

Matt Burke shared information on calendar committee, insurance committee, and thanked everyone for their support for the basketball team.

**General Business of the Board**

Consent Agenda

**1041.** It was moved by Gates and seconded by Burke to accept the consent items as presented. Motion carried 7/0.

Early Retirement Program

**1042.** It was moved by Van Steenhuyse and seconded by Timmermans to accept the application to participate in the district's early retirement program and thanked him on behalf of the Board of Education for his service to our students and district. Motion carried 7/0.

2021-2022 Calendar

There will be a formal recommendation and public hearing at the March board meeting.

Facilities Planning

**1043.** It was moved by Fish and seconded by Williams to seek proposals on conducting a facilities study on four district buildings and grounds. Motion carried 7/0.

Second Reading of updates to Miscellaneous Board Policies

**1044.** It was moved by Gates and seconded by Van Steenhuyse to conduct the second and final reading on the miscellaneous board policies IASB has updated. Motion carried 7/0.

**Audience Comments on any of the preceding items**

There were no audience comments on any of the preceding items.

**Correspondence Items/Reports**

- Insurance committee meeting handouts
- Districtwide Needs Assessment Responses

**Move into Exempt Session to Discuss Negotiation Strategies as Allowed by Iowa Code 20.17(3)**

**1045.** It was moved by Gates and seconded by Timmermans to move into exempt session at 8:21 p.m. to discuss negotiation strategies as allowed by Iowa Code 20.17(3). Motion carried 7/0 on a roll call vote.

By consensus, the board moved from exempt session to open session at 9:05 p.m.

**Adjournment**

Rob Levis adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

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Rob Levis, President

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Brenda Barkdoll, Secretary