VERMILION LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING MAY 12, 2025
6:00 PM VHS COMMONS

The Regular meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Innes, aye Mr. Benson, aye; Mr. Habermehl, aye; Mrs. Stepp, aye; Mrs. Russell, aye; Mr. Freeman, aye Miss Dodge, aye

Mrs. Innes let the Pledge of Allegiance with the February Citizens of the Month.

Legislative Report - Legislative Report – Mr. Habermehl gave updates on H.B 155 which would prohibit diversity, equity, and inclusion in public schools. Mr. Habermehl gave an update on H.B 114
which amends the revised code regarding age requirements for kindergarten admission and allows for excused absences for 4H and FFA programs and also raises the minimum school hours.
Lastly, Mr. Habermehl spoke about the new college credit plus program statewide innovative waiver pathway which is working with Lorain Community College and would lead to a
certificate.

Student Liaison Report - None

Student Board Member Report - Mr. Freeman spoke about the local special Olympics and how important that event is to the student body.

Public Participation - None

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AND/OR RECOMMENDATIONS

- Presentation - The Principals will provide a year-end review of the accomplishments of their instructional core plans.
  - Matt Malear, VES
  - Wendy Callewaert, SMS
  - Jennifer Bengele, VHS

TREASURER'S REPORT AND/OR RECOMMENDATIONS

36.25 Mrs. Innes motioned for the Board to approve the Financial Report for April 2025. Mr. Habermehl seconded. ROLL CALL: Mrs. Innes, aye Mr. Benson, aye; Mr. Habermehl, aye; Mrs. Stepp, aye; Mrs. Russell, aye; Mr. Freeman, aye Miss Dodge, aye.

37.25 Mrs. Russell motioned for the Board to approve the following donations:

- $1,000.00 from Don Babson to the Ed Babson Scholarship Fund
- $1,520.00 from Vermilion Athletic Boosters to National Honor Society

Mr. Benson seconded. ROLL CALL: Mrs. Innes, aye Mr. Benson, aye; Mr. Habermehl, aye; Mrs. Stepp, aye; Mrs. Russell, aye; Mr. Freeman, aye Miss Dodge, aye.

38.25 Mr. Habermehl motioned for the Board to approve the creation of the 070 Capital Project Fund. Mrs. Stepp seconded.

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Innes, aye Mr. Benson, aye; Mr. Habermehl, aye; Mrs. Stepp, aye; Mrs. Russell, aye; Mr. Freeman, aye Miss Dodge, aye.

39.25 Mrs. Stepp motioned to the Board to approve the 5-Year Forecast. Mr. Benson seconded.
ROLL CALL: Mrs. Innes, aye Mr. Benson, aye; Mr. Habermehl, aye; Mrs. Stepp, aye; Mrs. Russell, aye; Mr. Freeman, aye Miss Dodge, aye.

CONSENT AGENDA - The Superintendent and Treasurer recommend that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda items. Action by the Board of Education in "Adoption of the
Consent Agenda" means that all items are adopted by one vote unless a member of the Board, the Treasurer, or the Superintendent requests that any such item be removed from the Consent Agenda and voted on separately.

40.25 Mrs. Stepp motioned that the Board to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

A. Approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 14, 2025.

B. Recommend a resolution to the Board to approve the Service Agreement for 2025-2026 with the ESC of Northeast Ohio Positive Education Program for educational services per pupil per day from $322.00-$484.00.

C. Recommend a resolution to the Board to approve the 2025-2026 services with the Murray Ridge Center Lorain County Board of Developmental Disabilities.

D. Recommend a resolution to the Board to approve the Frontline Education Renewal for the 2025-2026 school year for Applicant Tracking and Absence and Substitute Management at a cost of $9,218.96.

E. Recommend a resolution to the Board to approve the 2025-2026 School Nursing Contract with the Erie County Health Department at a cost of $54.00 per hour.

F. Recommend a resolution to the Board to approve the 2025-2026 META Master Service Agreement for performing Fiscal Support for State Software, EMIS
Support, SIS Support for Powerschool, IEP Anywhere and INFOhio Services at a cost of $43,568.00.

G. Approve the Preschool Agreement with Lorain County Board of DD-Murray Ridge for admission of preschool-aged students with disabilities at $8,000.00 per student if utilized.

H. Approve the 2025-2026 Service Agreement with North Point Educational Service Center for Special Education Services, OT/PT, Speech Services, Educational Assistant, and other services.

I. Approve the Employment Action:

Resignation:

- Jennifer Bengele, VHS Principal effective June 30, 2025

Retirement:

- Kimberly Schultz, VES Grade 1, effective May 31, 2025
- Lisa Murray, SMS 5th Grade, June 30, 2025 updated
- John (Jay) Lukasko, VHS Assistant Principal, effective August 18, 2025

J. Approve the One (1) Year Additional Duties Contract for 2025 7th Grade Chicago Trip to:

- Michael Palm, Level 0, Step 1

K. Approve the One (1) Year Additional Duties Contract for 2025-2026 to:

- Sawyer Schafer, VHS Head Girls Volleyball Coach, Level 29, Step 0

L. Approve the One (1) Year Supplemental Contract for the 2024-2025 school year to:

- Brittany Missig, Winterguard Advisor, Level 9, Step 2

M. Approve the 2024-2025 Summer Worker Contracts for the following:

- Malachi Howell, Technology, $17.00/hr.
- Reagan Massey, Technology, $15.00 /hr.

N. Approve the One (1) Year Certified Limited Contract for the 2025-2026 school year to the following:

- Sawyer Schafer, Grade 1, L3, Step 0
- Cecilie Reich, School Counselor SMS, L4, Step 0
- Ashley Caruloff, Integrated Math, L1, Step 3
- Morgan Catalano, Speech/Language Pathologist, L6, Step 10
- Olivia Eldridge, Vocal Music, L1, Step 1
- Mia Hall, Intervention Specialist, L2, Step 2
- Kristin Griffith, Intervention Specialist, L5, Step 11
- Lauren O'Hare, Reading Specialist, L1, Step 6
- Maggie Olinick, Grade 3, L2, Step 18
- Shawna Scofield, Behavior Specialist, L2, Step 2
- Kristen Schon, Preschool, L1, Step 6
- Madeline Uther, Kindergarten, L4, Step 9
- Brenna Varga, Grade 2, L1, Step 1
- Shelly Wentworth, Preschool, L7, Step 25
- Audra Thompson, Intervention Specialist, L1, Step 4
- Ashley Yacobozzi, Grade 5, L2, Step 7
- David Funk, CTE, L4, Step 11
- Claire Vilagi, CTE, L3, Step 5

O. Approve the Two (2) Year Certified Limited Contract for the 2025-2026 school year to the following:

- Tim Gentry, Intervention Specialist, L2, Step 16
- Grace Robinson, Music, L1, Step 4
- Gehrig Gabrie, PE, L1, Step 3
- Kelly McCurdy, Grade 1, L3, Step 15

P. Approve the Continuing Certified Contract beginning with the 2025-2026 school year to:

- Kathryn Kretchmar, Grade 4, L3, Step 16

Q. Approve up to 20 hours at the $34.00 per hour Project Rate for Preschool Evaluations and IEP's between 6/1/25-8/15/25 to:

- Laiken Tester, Preschool
- Michelle Wentworth, Preschool
- Kristen Schon, Preschool

R. Approve up to 35 hours at the $34.00 per hour Project Rate for Preschool Evaluations between 6/1/25-8/15/25 to:

- Laura Moyer, Speech Pathologist

S. Approve up to 56 hours of Extended Service at the per diem rate from 6/1/25-8/15/25 to:

- Stefanie Atwater, Mental Health Therapist, $50.34 hr.
- Cheryl Weaver, Mental Health Therapist, $48.47 hr.

T. Approve up to 16 hours at the $34.00 Project Rate for Special Education Planning from 6/1/25-8/15/25 to:

- Marlayna Jacinto, Intervention Specialist

U. Approve 11 hours of Extended Service at $36.04 for County Fair appearances to:

- Claire Vilagi, CTE

V. Approve up to 15 hours for Scholarship IEP's and up to 8 hours for Summer Services at the Project Rate of $34.00 per hour from 6/1/25-8/15/25 to:

- Katie Cseh

W. Approve up to 55 hours at the per diem rate of $46.68 per hour from 6/1/25-8/15/25 for evaluations to:

- Brooke Spafford, Director of Preschool

Items to be removed from the Consent Agenda - None
Mr. Benson seconded. ROLL CALL: Mrs. Innes, aye Mr. Benson, aye; Mr. Habermehl, aye; Mrs. Stepp, aye; Mrs. Russell, aye; Mr. Freeman, aye Miss Dodge, aye.

Dates and location of upcoming Board Meetings. Meetings will be held in the Vermilion High School Commons, 1250 Sanford St. Vermilion at 6:00 PM, unless otherwise noted.

- Regular Meeting - Monday, June 9, 2025
- Regular Meeting - Monday, July 14, 2025
- Regular Meeting - Monday, August 11, 2025

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - None

41.25 Mr. Habermehl motioned to the Board for the regular meeting be adjourned. Mrs. Russell seconded. ROLL CALL: Mrs. Innes, aye Mr. Benson, aye; Mr. Habermehl, aye; Mrs. Stepp, aye; Mrs. Russell, aye; Mr. Freeman, aye Miss Dodge, aye.

ATTEST:

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Board President

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Treasurer