

**VERMILION LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 11, 2026
6:00 PM VHS COMMONS**

Every adult helping every child succeed today, tomorrow, and beyond!

REGULAR MEETING

This is a meeting of the Vermilion Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business, and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated on the agenda. Vermilion Board Bylaw 0169.1.

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

Mr. Benson ____; Mrs. Stepp ____; Mrs. Russell ____; Mrs. Innes ____;
Mrs. Treece ____; Miss Dodge ____; Miss Dunn ____

III. Pledge of Allegiance with the VES March Citizens of the Month who demonstrated that they are trustworthy individuals:

Maggie Herbert	Brantley Doud	Margo Thayer
Everyn Masley	Evelyn West	June Maiden
Gwendolyn Cottrell	Ellie Sargent	Braelynne Pounds
Etta Moyer	Kash Crawford	Mercedez Hostler
David Smith	Ripley Pervola	Varric Knittle
Jackson Stipe	Mason Van Antwerp	Adrienne Smith
Rayne Williams	Charlotte Hyster	

IV. Legislative Report

V. Student Liaison Report - VHS presentation by Andrew Perry, VHS Principal:

- Kamryn Jenkins, Grade 11, first ever VHS winner of an Agriculture Award
Presented by Claire Vilagi

- Notable Student Awards: Soraya Ramos, Grade 10, perfect attendance; Elizabeth Whitaker, Grade 10, perfect attendance; Ezra Wiegand, Grade 8, perfect attendance

VI. Student Board Member Report

VII. Public Participation on Agenda Items Only - This time is allotted for community members to speak to the Board regarding an item(s) on this agenda.

Please register your name, address, topic, and group affiliation (if applicable).

- ❖ Time Allotted: 30 minutes total. Individuals should keep their time to 3 minutes or less. The Board President reserves the right to limit a speaker's time.

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AND/OR RECOMMENDATIONS

A. Recommend a resolution to the Board to approve the One (1) Year Certified Limited Contract Renewal for Jessica Benson, Level 2, Step 1.

Motion: _____ Seconded: _____

Roll Call: Mr. Benson _____; Mrs. Stepp _____; Mrs. Russell _____;
Mrs. Innes _____; Mrs. Treece _____; Miss Dodge _____; Miss Dunn _____

B. Recommend a resolution to the Board to approve the Three (3) Year Administrator's Contract to Brittany Remaklus, Director of Special Education, Level 8.

Motion: _____ Seconded: _____

Roll Call: Mr. Benson _____; Mrs. Stepp _____; Mrs. Russell _____;
Mrs. Innes _____; Mrs. Treece _____; Miss Dodge _____; Miss Dunn _____

C. Recommend a resolution for the Board to approve the revisions of these District policies as recommended for the second read (Attachment A).

- ❖ 2431.06 - Name, Image, and Likeness (NIL) in Athletics
- ❖ 3440 - Job-Related Expenses-Professional Staff
- ❖ 4440 - Job Related Expenses-Classified Staff
- ❖ 5112 - Entrance Requirements
- ❖ 5223 - Released Time for Religious Instruction During the School Day
- ❖ 5421 - Grading

- ❖ 5430 - Class Rank
- ❖ 6220 - Budget Preparation
- ❖ 6320 - Purchasing and Bidding
- ❖ 6325 - Procurement - Federal Grants/Funds
- ❖ 6423 - Revised Use of Credit Cards
- ❖ 6460 - Vendor Relations
- ❖ 6465 - Affinity, Rewards, or Other Discount Programs

Motion: _____ Seconded: _____

Roll Call: Mr. Benson _____; Mrs. Stepp _____; Mrs. Russell _____;
Mrs. Innes _____; Mrs. Treece _____; Miss Dodge _____; Miss Dunn _____

- D.** Recommend a resolution to approve the installation of the HVAC units for VHS at a cost of \$191,025.00 (Attachment B).

Motion: _____ Seconded: _____

Roll Call: Mr. Benson _____; Mrs. Stepp _____; Mrs. Russell _____;
Mrs. Innes _____; Mrs. Treece _____; Miss Dodge _____; Miss Dunn _____

IX. TREASURER'S REPORT AND/OR RECOMMENDATIONS

- A.** Recommend a resolution to the Board to approve the Financial Report for April 2026 (Attachment C).

Motion: _____ Seconded: _____

Roll Call: Mr. Benson _____; Mrs. Stepp _____; Mrs. Russell _____;
Mrs. Innes _____; Mrs. Treece _____; Miss Dodge _____; Miss Dunn _____

- B.** Recommend a resolution to the Board to approve the following donations:

- ❖ \$250.00 anonymous donation to the Prom
- ❖ \$1,535.41 from Christine Smith for the John A. "Bubba" Smith Memorial Scholarship
- ❖ \$438.00 from Donna Smith to sponsor an 8th grader to attend the 8th Grade Washington DC trip
- ❖ \$1,000.00 from Donald and Betty Geib for the Geib Scholarship
- ❖ \$2,000.00 from Don Babson to the Edward Babson Memorial Scholarship

Motion: _____ Seconded: _____

Roll Call: Mr. Benson _____; Mrs. Stepp _____; Mrs. Russell _____;
Mrs. Innes _____; Mrs. Treece _____; Miss Dodge _____; Miss Dunn _____

- C. Recommend a resolution declaring it necessary to renew all of an existing tax to provide for the current expenses of the district (Attachment D).

Motion: _____ Seconded: _____

Roll Call: Mr. Benson _____; Mrs. Stepp _____; Mrs. Russell _____;
Mrs. Innes _____; Mrs. Treece _____; Miss Dodge _____; Miss Dunn _____

- D. Recommend a resolution to the Board to approve the renewal of the Property and Casualty Insurance Proposal from Fitzgibbons Arnold & Co., effective July 1, 2026 to July 1, 2027 at a cost of \$164,279.00 (Attachment E).

Motion: _____ Seconded: _____

Roll Call: Mr. Benson _____; Mrs. Stepp _____; Mrs. Russell _____;
Mrs. Innes _____; Mrs. Treece _____; Miss Dodge _____; Miss Dunn _____

- E. Recommend a resolution to the Board to approve the Apple Lease and buyback invoice of \$263,869.96 (Attachment F).

Motion: _____ Seconded: _____

Roll Call: Mr. Benson _____; Mrs. Stepp _____; Mrs. Russell _____;
Mrs. Innes _____; Mrs. Treece _____; Miss Dodge _____; Miss Dunn _____

X. 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.

- A. Approve the minutes of the Regular meeting of April 13, 2026 (Attachment G).
- B. Approve the MOU between Januzzi Counseling Group and Vermilion Local Schools for counseling, consulting services, and behavioral assessments for students in the district for the 2026-2027 school year (Attachment H).
- C. Approve the Preschool agreement with Murray Ridge Center LC Board of DD for the 2026-2027 school year for admission of preschool-aged students with disabilities at \$8,000.00 per student (Attachment I).

D. Approve the following employment action:

- **Retirement:**
 - ❖ Karlene Hollars, VES Teacher, effective May 29, 2027
 - ❖ Holly Jursinski, VES Teacher, effective May 29, 2027
 - ❖ Jonathan Broz, Bus Driver/VES Monitor, effective May 31, 2026
- Approve the 2025-2026 Summer Worker Contracts for:
 - ❖ Malachi Howell, Technology, \$17.00/hr.
 - ❖ Isaac Looks, Technology, \$15.00/hr.
- Contract Non-Renewals for 2026-2027
 - ❖ Frank Bowers, Bus Monitor
 - ❖ Mackenzie Hernandez, Long term Substitute
- Approve the One (1) Year Certified Limited Contract Renewals for the 2026-2027 school year:
 - ❖ Cassie Brunow, Intervention Specialist VHS, Level 3, Step 10
 - ❖ Ashley Caruloff, Integrated Math VHS, Level 1, Step 4
 - ❖ Olivia Eldridge, Vocal Music, Level 1, Step 2
 - ❖ Brook Meyer, Intervention Specialist, Level 8, Step 11
 - ❖ Sarah Moore, Intervention Specialist. Level 4, Step 6
 - ❖ Megan Murphy, Grade 5 ELA, Level 1, Step 11
 - ❖ Cecilie Reich, School Counselor SMS, Level 4, Step 1
 - ❖ Emily Rich, Intervention Specialist SMS, Level 4, Step 5
 - ❖ Audra Thompson, Grade 4 Math/Science, Level 4, Step 5
 - ❖ Ashley Yacobozzi, Grade 5 Soc. St./Science, Level 2, Step 8
 - ❖ Sawyer Schafer, Grade 1, Level 2, Step 1
 - ❖ Madeline Uther, Kindergarten, Level 4, Step 10
 - ❖ Brenna Varga, Grade 2, Level 1, Step 2
 - ❖ David Funk, Grades 6 & 7, Level 4, Step 12
- Approve the Two (2) Year Certified Limited Contract Renewals for the 2026-2027 school year:
 - ❖ Monroe Austin, Counselor VES, Level 4, Step 5
 - ❖ Morgan Catalano, Speech/Language Pathologist, Level 6, Step 11
 - ❖ Mia Hall, Preschool, Level 4, Step 3
 - ❖ Rebecca Koenig, Librarian VES, Level 3, Step 25
 - ❖ Maggie Olinick, Grade 3, Level 3, Step 19
 - ❖ Shawna Scofield, Behavior Specialist VES, Level 2, Step 3
 - ❖ Kristen Schon, Preschool, Level 1 Step 7

- ❖ Laiken Tester, Preschool, Level 2, Step 5
 - ❖ Rebecca Balduff, Grade 4, Level 2, Step 12
 - ❖ Kurt Innes, Grade 6 & 7, Level 1, Step 12
 - ❖ Leia Innes, Grade 7, Level 2, Step 15
 - ❖ Madyson Kessler, Grade 6, Level 3, Step 5
 - ❖ Seth Lyons, Integrated Social Studies 8-12, Level 1, Step 5
 - ❖ Claire Vilagi, AG VHS, Level 4, Step 6
- Approve the Continuing Contracts beginning with the 2026-2027 school year:
 - ❖ Maria Raynes, Spanish VHS, Level 3, Step 16
 - ❖ Kelli Collins, Intervention Specialist VES, Level 4, Step 17
 - Approve the Extended Service Contract hours at the per diem rate for Claire Vilagi for FFA:
 - ❖ 16 hours for June fiscal year 2026
 - ❖ 56 hours for July, August and June of fiscal year 2027

Items to be removed from the Consent Agenda

Motion: _____ Seconded: _____

Roll Call: Mr. Benson _____; Mrs. Stepp _____; Mrs. Russell _____;
Mrs. Innes _____; Mrs. Treece _____; Miss Dodge _____; Miss Dunn _____

- XI.** 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 8, 2026
- ❖ Regular Meeting - Monday, July 13, 2026
- ❖ Regular Meeting - Monday, August 10, 2026

XII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Public Participation section of the Board of Education's agenda is specifically designed for the public to address the Board with their compliments, concerns, ideas, and/or questions. The Board welcomes your comments. If you wish to address the Board regarding an issue, the Board would remind you of two things: first, your comments should be factual and respectful of the rights of others, and second, before coming to the Board with an issue, you should have first addressed it with the appropriate teacher, staff member, or administrator. This

meeting of the Board of Education in public is for the purpose of conducting the School District's business.

- ❖ Time Allotted: 30 minutes total. Individuals should keep their time to 3 minutes or less. The Board President reserves the right to limit a speaker's time.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 (G)(1), I hereby move that the Board adjourned to executive session to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of a public employee.

Motion: _____ Seconded: _____

Roll Call: Mr. Benson _____; Mrs. Stepp _____; Mrs. Russell _____;
Mrs. Innes _____; Mrs. Treece _____

Time into Executive Session: _____ Time out of Executive Session: _____

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Recommend a resolution for the Board to adjourn the regular meeting.

Motion: _____ Seconded: _____

Roll Call: Mr. Benson _____; Mrs. Stepp _____; Mrs. Russell _____;
Mrs. Innes _____; Mrs. Treece _____

Time adjourned: _____