VERMILION LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 9, 2026
6:00 PM VHS COMMONS

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

REGULAR MEETING

This is a regular 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 of Education Bylaw 0169.01.

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

Mr. Benson _____; Mrs. Stepp _____; Mrs. Russell_____; Mrs. Innes _____;
Mrs. Treece _____

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

Luciana VanAntwerp	June Maiden	Daizy Petersen
Levi Prosser	Samuel Fair	Laurel Williams
Beckett Herchler	Parker Florek	Veronica Krieg
Titus Wilson	Evelyn Cozart	Freyja Hines
Isabella Patterson	Connor Toth	Skyler Sunkel
Gracie Champagne	Mavery Carrico	Carlee Law
Acva Coward	Jason Crawford	Elle Moody
Ryan Abfall		

IV. Board Recognition and Appreciation - Renewal Levy Passage

V. Legislative Report

VI. Student Liaison 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 three (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 for the Board to approve the revisions of District policies as recommended for the first read (Attachment A).

❖ Policy 0145,0146	Filling a Board Vacancy
❖ Policy 5111.01	Homeless Students
❖ Policy 5330	Use of Medications
❖ Policy 5463	Credits from State-Chartered Public/Non-public Schools
❖ Policy 8120, 8470	Volunteers, Sex Offender Notification
❖ Policy 8310	Public Records
❖ Policy 8330	Student Records
❖ Policy 9700	Relations with Special Interest Groups

Motion: _____ Seconded: _____

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

IX. TREASURER'S REPORT AND/OR RECOMMENDATIONS

A. Recommend a resolution for the Board to approve the Financial Report for October 2026 (Attachment B).

Motion: _____ Seconded: _____

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

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

- ❖ $500.00 from the American Legion for the SMS Veteran's Day Breakfast
- ❖ $200.00 from AMVETS Post 22 for the SMS Veteran's Day Breakfast
- ❖ $1,000.00 from VFW Post 7576 for the SMS Veteran's Day Breakfast
- ❖ $250.00 from McDonald's to VHS Athletics

Motion: _____ Seconded: _____

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

C. Recommend a resolution for the Board to approve Zupka & Associates to conduct the financial audit for fiscal year 2027 through fiscal year 2031 (Attachment C).

Motion: _____ Seconded: _____

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

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 October 5, 2026 Special Meeting (Attachment D).

B. Approve the following Employment Action:

- ❖ **Resignation -** Aidan Gatchell, VES Educational Aide, effective 11/6/2026

- ❖ **Retirement -** Beth Bartlome, SMS Teacher, effective 11/2/2027
- ❖ **Retirement -** Neil Pierce, VHS Facility Manager, effective 6/30/2027

C. Approve the One (1) year Classified Limited Contract for the 2026-2027 school year through June 30, 2027 to the following:

- ❖ Rachel Potter, VES Educational Aide, Level 4

D. Approve the Classified Substitute Contract for Bus Driver Training for Alex Rhodes at $17.00/hr.

E. Approve the One (1) Year Non-Teaching Supplemental Contract for the 2026-2027 school year through June 30, 2027 to the following:

- ❖ Jason Sockel, VHS Co-Assistant Boys Basketball Coach, Level 22, Step 6
- ❖ Chad Rich, VHS Co-Assistant Boys Basketball Coach, Level 22, Step 2
- ❖ Gordon (Scott) Hugo, Head Bowling Coach, Level 22, Step 6
- ❖ Kristen Meyers, VHS Assistant Basketball Cheer, Level 7, Step 1
- ❖ Jordan Luce, VHS Assistant Winterguard Advisor, Level 5, Step 3
- ❖ Brittany Missig, VHS Winterguard Advisor, Level 9, Step 4

F. Approve the One (1) Year Additional Duties Contract for the 2026-2027 school year through June 30, 2027 to the following:

- ❖ Jennifer Looks, Disney Overnight Chaperone, Level 0, Step 1
- ❖ Olivia Eldridge, Disney Overnight Chaperone, Level 0, Step 0
- ❖ Grace Robinson, Disney Overnight Chaperone, Level 0, Step 0
- ❖ Kim Judd, Disney Overnight Chaperone, Level 0, Step 0
- ❖ Kristina Edmison, College Credit Plus US History II, Level 4, Step 6
- ❖ Kimberly Judd, Dramatic Director Major Musical, Level 22, Step 6
- ❖ Grace Robinson, Orchestra Major Musical, Level 10, Step 1

G. Approve the following Volunteers for Winter Co-Curriculars:

- ❖ Angelo (Matt) Triana SMS Boys Basketball
- ❖ Matthew Fox, SMS Boys Basketball
- ❖ Bob Judd, Disney Overnight Chaperone
- ❖ Morgan Bynum-Robinson, Disney Overnight Chaperone
- ❖ Melissa Roberts, Disney Band Chaperone
- ❖ Sandy Ball, Disney Band Chaperone
- ❖ Casey Hearn, Disney Band Chaperone
- ❖ Heather Hearn, Disney Band Chaperone
- ❖ Douglas Horn, Disney Band Chaperone
- ❖ Julie Horn, Disney Band Chaperone

- ❖ Collin Looks, Disney Band Chaperone
- ❖ Rachelle Looman, Disney Band Chaperone
- ❖ Heather Noftz, Disney Band Chaperone
- ❖ David Noftz, Disney Band Chaperone
- ❖ Deanna Sherrard, Disney Band Chaperone
- ❖ Tanya Sherrard, Disney Band Chaperone
- ❖ Summer Silveus, Disney Band Chaperone
- ❖ Brian Thomas, Disney Band Chaperone
- ❖ Cassie Warren, Disney Band Chaperone
- ❖ Rheanna Shaffer, Disney Band Chaperone
- ❖ Jill Neiger, Disney Band Chaperone
- ❖ Amanda Bryk, Disney Band Chaperone
- ❖ Cole Barsic, Disney Band Chaperone
- ❖ Christina Boyd, Disney Band Chaperone
- ❖ Hubert Morgan, Disney Band Chaperone

H. Approve the update to Jacob Baker, SMS 8th Grade Boys Basketball Coach from Step 5 to Step 6.

I. Approve the One (1) Year Classified Substitute Contract for:

- ❖ Brent Hancock, Custodian

J. Approve the three (3) Extra Hours worked on August 18, 2026 for the following Educational Aides:

- ❖ Natalie Jenkins
- ❖ Aubrey Scholl
- ❖ Kathleen Messaros
- ❖ Terri Saunders

Items removed from the Consent Agenda:

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Motion: _____ Seconded: _____

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

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, December 14, 2026
- ❖ Annual Tax Budget, Organizational and Regular Meeting - Monday, January 11, 2027

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.

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Motion: _____ Seconded: _____

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

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: _____ Seconded: _____

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

Time adjourned: _____