

**Vanlue Local Board of Education**

**January 12, 2021**

The Vanlue Board of Education met for the organizational meeting and in regular session on Tuesday, January 12, 2021 in the Library/Media Center. Pro Tempore President Eric Hausserman called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Mr. Hausserman offered the opening prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Mrs. Caudill, present; Mrs. Crowe, present; Mr. Hausserman, present; Mrs. Saltzman, present; Mr. Thomas, present.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

21-1 Mrs. Caudill moved, seconded by Mrs. Crowe to approve the agenda as printed.

Mrs. Crowe	Yes		
Mr. Hausserman	Yes	Passed	X
Mrs. Saltzman	Yes	Failed	
Mr. Thomas	Yes	Vote	5-0
Mrs. Caudill	Yes		

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

Mrs. Crowe nominates Mr. Hausserman for President for calendar year 2021.

Mrs. Caudill nominates Mr. Thomas for President for calendar year 2021.

21-2 Mrs. Caudill moved, seconded by Mr. Hausserman the nominations be closed.

Mr. Hausserman	Yes		
Mrs. Saltzman	Yes	Passed	X
Mr. Thomas	Yes	Failed	
Mrs. Caudill	Yes	Vote	5-0
Mrs. Crowe	Yes		

Roll call for the 2021 Board President:

Mrs. Saltman	votes for	Mr. Hausserman
Mr. Thomas	votes for	Mr. Hausserman
Mrs. Caudill	votes for	Mr. Thomas
Mrs. Crowe	votes for	Mr. Hausserman
Mr. Hausserman	votes for	Mr. Thomas

**The Vanlue Local Board of Education president for 2021 is Mr. Eric Hausserman. The President's oath was given by the Treasurer.**

Mrs. Crowe nominates Mr. Thomas for Vice-President for calendar year 2021.

Mrs. Caudill nominates Mrs. Saltzman for Vice-President for calendar year 2021.

21-3 Mrs. Crowe moved, seconded by Mrs. Caudill the nominations be closed.

Mr. Thomas	Yes		
Mrs. Caudill	Yes	Passed	X
Mrs. Crowe	Yes	Failed	
Mr. Hausserman	Yes	Vote	5-0
Mrs. Saltzman	Yes		

Roll call for 2021 Board Vice-President:

Mrs. Caudill	votes for	Mrs. Saltzman
Mrs. Crowe	votes for	Mr. Thomas
Mr. Hausserman	votes for	Mr. Thomas
Mrs. Saltzman	votes for	Mr. Thomas
Mr. Thomas	votes for	Mrs. Saltzman

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The Vanlue Local Board of Education Vice-President for 2021 is Mr. Jonathan Thomas. The Vice-President’s oath was given by the Treasurer.

**CONSENT AGENDA – ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING:**

21-4 Mrs. Crowe moved, seconded by Mrs. Caudill to approve the Consent Agenda for the Organizational Meeting as follows:

BOARD REPRESENTATIVES FOR 2010

- Mr. Hausserman be named as the **official delegate** to the **2021 Ohio School Board Conference**.
- Mr. Thomas be named as the **alternate delegate** to the **2021 Ohio School Board Conference**.
- Mr. Thomas be named as the **legislative liaison** to the **Ohio School Board Association** for calendar year 2021.
- Mrs. Caudill be named as the **curriculum representative**.
- Mr. Thomas be named as the **policies representative**.
- Mrs. Saltzman be named as the **Athletic Council representative**.
- Mr. Hausserman be named as the **Technology representative**.
- Mrs. Caudill be named as the **Music Booster representative**.
- Mrs. Crowe and Mr. Hausserman be named as the **Buildings and Grounds Committee representatives**.
- Mr. Hausserman and Mr. Thomas be named as the **Finance and Audit representatives**.
- Mrs. Crowe be named as the **Student Achievement Liaison**.

REGULAR MEETING TIMES, DATES, AND LOCATIONS:

To approve the 2020 regular meeting times and dates as follows:

Monday	February 15	6:30 P.M.
Monday	March 15	6:30 P.M.
Monday	April 19	6:30 P.M.
Tuesday	May 18	6:30 P.M.
Monday	June 21	6:30 P.M.
Monday	July 19	6:30 P.M.
Monday	August 16	6:30 P.M.
Monday	September 20	6:30 P.M.
Monday	October 18	6:30 P.M.
Monday	November 15	6:30 P.M.
Tuesday	December 21	6:30 P.M.

CELL PHONE REIMBURSEMENT:

To approve cell phone reimbursements for the following employees:

- Principal - \$50.00
- Superintendent - \$50.00
- Secretary - \$50.00
- Technology Coordinator - \$100.00
- Athletic Director - \$50.00
- Maintenance/Transportation Supervisor - \$100.00

STANDING AUTHORIZATIONS 2020:

To approve standing authorizations for 2021 as follows:

- **Treasurer be authorized to secure advances from the Auditor** when funds are available and payable to the district.
- **Treasurer be authorized to borrow monies in anticipation of school foundation and tax receipts**, not to exceed authorization given in R.C. 133.30, to meet payable and outstanding obligations as needed.

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- **Treasurer be authorized to invest inactive funds at the most productive interest rate** whenever inactive funds are available.
- **Treasurer do appropriation modifications as necessary** and report to Board for final approval.
- **Treasurer to pay bills** in a timely manner provided the funds are available and report to the Board each month as to the payment of bills.
- **Treasurer to establish change funds** on an as needed basis.
- **Superintendent to employ temporary personnel, as needed for emergency situations** with such employments being presented for approval to the Board at the next meeting.
- **Superintendent be named the purchasing agent** for the Vanlue Local School District.
- **Superintendent be authorized**, on behalf of this Board, to accept resignations which have been submitted by employees during times when this Board is not in session, subject to ratification by this Board; provided however, that upon ratification by this Board, such resignations shall be deemed effective as of the date and time of the Superintendent's acceptance.
- **Superintendent be authorized**, during periods when this Board is not in session, to make offers of employment directly to candidates for either teaching or nonteaching positions on behalf of this Board, and to acknowledge acceptance of such offers on behalf of this Board, subject to a subsequent vote of ratification by this Board; provided, however, that upon ratification by this Board, the employment shall be deemed effective as of the date and time of the employee's acceptance of the Superintendent's offer.
  - Nothing in this resolution shall require the Board of Education to employ or continue to employ an individual who has not provided a criminal records check satisfactory to the Board or who has not satisfied any other prerequisite to employment created by law or Board policy.

Mrs. Crowe	Yes		
Mr. Hausserman	Yes	Passed	X
Mrs. Saltzman	Yes	Failed	
Mr. Thomas	Yes	Vote	5-0
Mrs. Caudill	Yes		

**INVOLVEMENT OF VISITORS:** None

**CONSENT AGENDA – REGULAR MEETING:**

21-5 Mrs. Saltzman moved, seconded by Mrs. Caudill to approve the Consent Agenda – Regular Meeting as follows:

**A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND REPORTS:**

To approve the following:

- Minutes of the December 14, 2020 regular meeting, per copies
- December 31, 2020 Treasurer's financial and investment reports as submitted

**B. 2021 OSBA LEGAL ASSISTANCE FUND MEMBERSHIP:**

To approve the membership in the Ohio School Boards Association Legal Assistance Fund at a total cost of \$250.00.

*Whereas, the Vanlue Board of Education wishes to support the efforts of other boards of education to obtain favorable judicial decisions, and*

*Whereas, the Ohio School Boards Association Legal Assistance Fund has been established for this purpose,*

*Therefore, the Board hereby resolves to participate in the OSBA LAF for calendar year 2020 and authorizes the treasurer to pay to the LAF \$250.*

**C. OSBA MEMBERSHIP:**

To approve the membership in the Ohio School Boards Association at a cost of \$5,587.00, which includes the electronic Briefcase Newsletter at no cost.

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D. 2021-2022 SCHOOL CALENDAR:

To approve the 2021-2022 school calendar as per copies.

E. DONATIONS:

- Vanlue Marathon Gas Station and Mindy Boyd for 2400 disposable adult masks and 700 disposable child masks authorize the Secretary to ensure the proper thank you is sent.

Mr. Hausserman	Yes		
Mrs. Saltzman	Yes	Passed	X
Mr. Thomas	Yes	Failed	
Mrs. Caudill	Yes	Vote	5-0
Mrs. Crowe	Yes		

**TREASURER BOND RESOLUTION:**

21-6 Mr. Thomas moved, seconded by Mrs. Crowe to approve the following resolution:

EMPLOYEE DISHONESTY AND FAITHFUL PERFORMANCE OF DUTY POLICY IN LIEU OF BOND (R.C. 3.061)

WHEREAS, the Ohio General Assembly, by the enactment of H.B. 291 (eff. Mar. 20, 2019), codified at Ohio Revised Code § 3.061, has authorized political subdivisions to acquire employee dishonesty and faithful performance of duty policy coverage for officers, employees, and appointees of political subdivisions who are otherwise required by law to obtain individual surety bonds for the faithful performance of the discharge of their duties before assuming office;

WHEREAS, such employee dishonesty and faithful performance of duty policy may be in lieu of such officers, employees, and appointees being required to obtain individual surety bonds;

WHEREAS, under Ohio Revised Code§ 3.061(A)(2),"employee dishonesty and faithful performance of duty policy" is defined as a policy of insurance, or a coverage document issued by a joint self-insurance pool authorized under Ohio Revised Code§ 2744.081, to protect a political subdivision from financial or property loss caused by the fraudulent or dishonest actions of, and the failure to perform a duty prescribed by law for, an officer, employee, or appointee that is otherwise required by law to give an individual surety bond before the discharge of official duties;

WHEREAS, the Vanlue Local School District is a "political subdivision" for purposes of Ohio Revised Code§ 3.061;

WHEREAS, in accordance with Ohio Revised Code§ 3.061, the Board of Education must adopt a policy by resolution authorizing the purchase of "employee dishonesty and faithful performance of duty policy" in lieu of requiring officers, employees, and appointees to acquire individual surety bonds before the beginning of the individual's term of office or employment;

WHEREAS, a school officer, employee, or appointee who is otherwise required by law to obtain a surety bond for the faithful performance of discharge of public duties shall not commence the discharge of duties until coverage by an "employee dishonesty and faithful performance of duty policy" is documented; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Education, in accordance with the authority granted to it under Ohio Revised Code § 3.061, to adopt an employee dishonesty and faithful performance of duty policy in lieu of requiring those officers, employees, and appointees to obtain individual surety bonds for the faithful performance of the discharge of their public duties, and all of the following shall apply:

1. Notwithstanding any section of the Revised Code requiring an officer, employee, or appointee of the Board of Education to give bond before being entitled to enter upon the duties of the office or employment, an officer, employee, or appointee shall be considered qualified to hold the office or employment, without giving bond, on the date the oath of office is taken, certified, and filed as required by law;
2. Notwithstanding Ohio Revised Code § 3.30 or any other section of the Revised Code that provides an office or employment is vacated upon the failure to file bond, the officer, employee, or appointee shall be entitled to enter upon the duties of the office or employment without acquiring an individual surety bond after (a) the date of the adoption of this resolution, (b) the acquisition of an employee dishonesty and faithful performance of duty policy from the Ohio School Plan, and (c) the oath of office is filed as provided in the preceding paragraph;
3. All officers, employees, or appointees who would otherwise be required to file a bond before commencing the discharge of duties shall be covered by and are subject to the employee dishonesty and faithful performance of duty policy instead of a surety bond requirement;
4. The coverage amount for an officer, employee, or appointee under the employee dishonesty and faithful performance of duty policy shall be equal to or greater than the maximum amount of the bond otherwise required by law. If no amount, or only a minimum amount, of coverage is specified in law for the particular officer, employee, or appointee, the amount of coverage shall be an amount agreed upon by the Board of Education; and
5. Prior to taking the oath of office and commencing the discharge of his or her duties, an officer, employee, or appointee otherwise required by law to acquire an individual surety bond for the faithful discharge of public duties shall first confirm that coverage under the Board of Education's policy is documented and effective as of the date of commencement of the discharge of said public duties.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January 2021, the Board of Education of Vanlue Local School District, Hancock County, Ohio, hereby authorizes the Treasurer to purchase an employee dishonesty and faithful performance of duty policy to provide coverage for those school officers, employees, or appointees who are otherwise required by law to acquire a surety bond before entering upon the discharge of public duties. The Treasurer is further authorized to effect all policies and procedures necessary to carry out this Resolution and administer the terms of the employee dishonesty and faithful performance of duty policy in accordance with this Resolution.

Mrs. Saltzman	Yes		
Mr. Thomas	Yes	Passed	X
Mrs. Caudill	Yes	Failed	
Mrs. Crowe	Yes	Vote	5-0
Mr. Hausserman	Yes		

**REPORTS:**

1. VTA Report – Mrs. Cole
2. Administrative Reports – Ms. Hoadley and Ms. Conley
3. Board Reports

**ADJOURNMENT:**

21-7 At 6:58 p.m. Mrs. Caudill moved, seconded by Mr. Hausserman the meeting adjourn.

Mr. Thomas	Yes		
Mrs. Caudill	Yes	Passed	X
Mrs. Crowe	Yes	Failed	
Mr. Hausserman	Yes	Vote	5-0
Mrs. Saltzman	Yes		

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President

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Treasurer