Minutes for Board of Education Special Meeting for Vassar Public Schools
*Minutes are not considered approved until signed

Date: June 30, 2026
Time: 6:00 Special Meeting of the Board of Education
Place: Middle School Room 328

A. Call to Order
The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 6 o'clock in the evening by Board Vice President, Brian Rondo.

B. Roll Call:
1. Members Present: Rondo, Jackson, Patterson, Genow, Lesko, Baker
2. Members Absent: Atwood
3. Other Present: Steve Clark, Shona Vennevy

C. Pledge of Allegiance

D. Approval of Agenda: Additions or Deletions to Agenda:
MOTION by Jackson supported by Genow to approve agenda as submitted
MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)

E. Board of Recognition and Remembrances:

F. Spotlight/" Good Things" of the Month:

G. Truth in Taxation

H. Public Participation:
1. Janelle Schwartz- Employee of NEMSCA head start program. We are paying rent so I wanted to attend the meeting and make myself more inclusive.

I. Consent Agenda
1. Acceptance of New Hires, Resignations, and/or Retirements
    - Resignation, Erin Raymond, 6-12 Principal
    - Resignation, Jacob Barger, 6-12 Government Teacher
    - Resignation, Joshua Barton, 6-12 Special Education Teacher
    - Resignation of Matthew Davis, Bus Driver

MOTION by Lesko supported by Baker to approve the consent agenda
MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)

J. Operational Issues:
1. 2025-2026 FY Final General Fund Budget
2. 2025-2026 FY Final Food Service Budget
3. 2025-2026 FY Final Special Activities Budget
4. 2025-2026 FY Final Special Scholarships
MOTION by Jackson supported by Baker to approve Final General Fund, Food Service, Special Activities, and Scholarship Budgets as presented
MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
5. 2026-2027 FY Original General Fund Budget

6. 2026-2027 FY Original Food Service Budget
7. 2026-2027 FY Original Special Activities Budget
8. 2026-2027 FY Original Special Scholarships

MOTION by Jackson supported by Baker to approve Original General Fund, Food Service, Special Activities, and Scholarship Budgets as presented
MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)

K. Curriculum Issues:

L. Superintendent's Comments:
I want to say thank you to Shona for all your work on the budget, it was nothing short of miraculous. You are responsible for a number of the savings and I know you plan to look at additional ways we can save additional funds. Every decision being made is allowing us to be fiscally responsible not only for us currently but in the future. We met again today with the negotiations team from the support staff unit, and I believe we are almost done with language updates. IBB (interest based bargaining) has been very positive with that group and I am excited with the work that is being done. The filter first project should be wrapping up if not already done. The new water stations look amazing so thank you Fred for working to make sure we could complete the project with the money from the grant.

M. Administrative/Department Comments:
1. Mrs. Delling
2. Mr. Guralczyk
3. Mr. Germain
4. Mrs. Vennevy
5. Mrs. Rouse
6. Nurse Greer
7. Mr. Almaraz

N. Board Members Comments:
1. Mr. Genow- Thank you Shona. It is frustrating to hear some of these numbers were so far out of whack. I appreciate the work that you put in.
2. Mrs. Patterson- Shona thank you for the follow-through and the follow-up. Do we happen to know summer school numbers?
Mr. Clark- I do not know the exact number of students for summer school.
3. Mr. Baker- The former principal (Erin Raymond) will be missed. I wish her well.
4. Mr. Jackson- Thank you Shona. I am very impressed with your presentation. You have taken the time to really go through everything and make corrections and bring budget saving ideas to the table. I appreciate all the work that went into this.
5. Mr. Rondo- I want to echo what Jon said, it is frustrating on their being some holes that needed to be tidied up. It is great to have you in the walls and accessible. I also want to say that your overall presentation was great. Thank you.
6. Mrs. Lesko- I wanted to ask if the SRO is completed with his training and if we know what the virtual numbers look like for the fall.
Mr. Clark- Officer Mroz will be completing training next week. I recently sat down with a team and we created an expectations document for the SRO. That document outlines what we expect to happen daily, weekly, and monthly we hope that by creating this we are being more proactive. As far as vitual options I know of I believe at least two students. We are hoping to pick up a few more.

O. Dates to Remember:

August 4, 2026	First Day for Staff	
August 6, 2026	District Open House	
August 10, 2026	First Day of School ½ day for Students Staff PD	

P. Next Regular or Special Meeting:

July 14, 2026	Regular Meeting	6:00	Room 328

Q. Adjournment:
MOTION by Genow supported by Jackson to adjourn the meeting at 6:42
MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)

Jon Genow, Board Secretary Date