# .Whiteside School District #115 Board of Education Regular Meeting Thursday, December 16, 2021 7:00 pm Whiteside Middle School

Administrators: Mark Heuring, Monica Laurent, Nathan Rakers, and Kim Bossler

Visitors: as noted on the sign-in sheet

## 1.0) Call to order & Pledge of Allegiance

Vice-President Rod Euchner called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

## 2.0) Roll Call of Members

Board Members present: Jeremy Bochantin, Angela Dickerson, Matt Erkman, Rod Euchner, Sean McKee (joined at 7:30), Christine Mitchell-Endsley, and Jeff Tindall (joined at 7:05)

## 3.0) Accept / Amend Consent Agenda

Motion by Erkman, second by Dickerson to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

## 4.0) Public Hearing for the resolution to Levy Taxes

Motion by Erkman, second by Mitchell-Endsley to open the public hearing for comment on the District's Resolution to Levy Taxes. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

No comments regarding the Tax Levy.

Motion by Erkman, second by Bochantin to close the public hearing on the District's Resolution to Levy Taxes. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

## 5.0) Public Comment

Vice-President Rod Euchner welcomed visitors and the WFT representatives.

Mr. Myles addressed the Board with questions regarding SB0818.

Mr. McNeese addressed the Board with concerns over a parking lot issue at the Middle School.

## 6.0) Consent Items

- 6.1) Approval of Minutes from Regular Meeting November 15, 2021

  Motion by Bochantin, second by Dickerson to approve the minutes from the November 15, 2021 Regular Board Meeting. Roll Call: Bochantin yes, Dickerson yes, Erkman yes, Euchner yes, Mitchell-Endsley yes, Tindall –
- 6.2) Approval of the Minutes from the Executive Session November 15, 2021

  Motion by Dickerson, second by Mitchell-Endsley to approve the minutes from the November 15, 2021 Executive Session. Roll Call: Bochantin yes, Dickerson yes, Erkman yes, Euchner yes, McKee yes, Mitchell-Endsley yes, Tindall yes. Motion carried.
- 6.3) Approval of Treasurers Report

ves. Motion carried.

Motion by Bochantin, second by Erkman to approve the Treasurers Report as presented. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

6.4) Approval of Claims / Bills Payable

Motion by Tindall, second by Erkman to approve the claims / bills payable as presented. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

## 7.0) Board Secretary Correspondence

Mr. Heuring read emails received from Lindsey DePew and Mr. and Mrs. Michael Remijan.

### 8.0) Administrative Reports

- 8.1) Elementary Report –Mr. Rakers reviewed his written report.
- 8.2) Middle School Report Mrs. Laurent reviewed her written report
- 8.3) District Superintendent Report Mr. Heuring reviewed his written report

## 9.0) Committee Reports

None at this time.

#### 10.0) New Business

10.1) Resolution to Levy Taxes

Motion by Erkman, second by Bochantin to approve the Resolution to Levy Taxes as presented at 4.99%. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

10.2) Repayment of Short-Term Borrowing

Motion by Erkman, second by Dickerson to approve the repayment of the Short-Term line of credit to Regions needed due to gap between tax payments. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

## 10.3) Non-licensed COVID Supplement

Motion by Erkman, second by Tindall to approve a one-time Non-Licensed COVID Supplement as presented by the Superintendent. Employees hired and working in the district on or before 8/30/21 receiving \$250, employees hired and working in the district after 8/30/21 receiving \$100, with Karma Falkenbury and Karla McKee receiving \$500. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

## 10.4) Board Officer Restructuring

Motion by Erkman, second by Bochantin to accept Sean McKee's request to step down as BOE President. Ayes -7, Nays -0. Motion Carried.

## 10.5) Board Officer Elections

Motion by Erkman, second by Tindall to call for nominations to fill the office of the vice president due to policy 2:110 which fills the vacancy of the President's position with the current Vice President.

Nominations of Jeremy Bochantin and Christine Mitchell-Endsley by Erkman.

Second Nomination of Jeremy Bochantin by Mitchell-Endsley.

Motion by Erkman, second by Tindall to nominate Jeremy Bochantin as Vice President. By a show of hand Ayes -7, Nays -0. Motion carried.

#### 11.0) Closed Session

Motion by Tindall, second by Mitchell-Endsley to enter closed session for the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of a specific employee(s), discussion of district legal matters / pending litigation and student discipline matters. Ayes -7, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Board went into closed session at 7:52 pm.

Motion by Erkman, second by Tindall to return to open session.

Board returned to open session at 8:47 pm.

## 12.0) Action Items Following Closed Session

#### 12.1) Approval of Tuition Reimbursements

Motion by Bochantin, second by Tindall to approve the tuition reimbursement request for Tricia Bleich. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

12.2) Approval of Resignation / Dismissal of District Personnel.

Motion by Tindall, second by Erkman to dismiss Matt Antonik as a MS Paraprofessional. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

## 12.3) Employment of Art Teacher

Motion by Tindall, second by Bochantin to employ Mallory Bugg as an ES Art Teacher to begin in the Spring of FY 22 (January 3, 2022). Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

## 12.4) Employment of ES Paraprofessional

Motion by Erkman, second by Dickerson to employ Rachel Hunter as an ES Paraprofessional. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

# 13.0) Adjournment

Having no further business motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Bochantin to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:49 pm.

Rod Euchner, President

Karma Falkenbury, Secretary