Whiteside School District #115 Board of Education Regular Meeting Thursday, July 15, 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

Meeting was called to order by President Sean McKee at 6:59 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, and Christine Mitchell-Endsley.

Members Absent: Jeff Tindall

3.0) Accept / Amend Consent Agenda

Motion by Euchner, second by Dickerson to accept the agenda as presented. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

4.0) Public Comment

President Sean McKee welcomed visitors and the WFT representatives.

There were no public comments.

5.0) Consent Items

5.1) Approval of Minutes from Regular Meeting June 17, 2021

Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Bochantin to approve the minutes from the June 17, 2021 Regular Board Meeting. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

5.2) Approval of Minutes from Public Hearing June 17, 2021

Motion by Euchner, second by Erkman to approve the minutes from the Public Hearing June 17, 2021. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

5.3) Approval of the Minutes from the Executive Session June 17, 2021

Motion by Bochantin, second by Mitchell-Endsley to approve the minutes from the June 17, 2021 Executive Session. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

5.4) Approval of Treasurers Report

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

5.5) Approval of Claims / Bills Payable

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

6.0) Board Secretary Correspondence

Mr. Heuring read a letter sent by Jaclyn Peterson, an elementary parent.

7.0) Administrative Reports

- 7.1) Elementary Report –Mr. Rakers reviewed his written report.
- 7.2) Middle School Report Mrs. Laurent reviewed her written report
- 7.3) District Superintendent Report Mr. Heuring reviewed his written report

 Mr. Heuring also showed some of the improvements that have been made to the District Website.

8.0) New Business

8.1) COVID Fall Guidance Update

Mr. Heuring shared some preliminary information that has been sent out by the CDC, IDPH, and ISBE. We are waiting on more guidance before moving forward.

No action Taken.

8.2) First Reading of PRESS

Motion by Euchner, second by Erkman to approve the 1^{st} reading of PRESS. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

8.3) Review and Approve Tort Expenditure Plan

Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Bochantin to approve the FY22 Tort Expenditure Plan. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

8.4) Cyber Liability Rider

Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Bochantin to approve the Cyber Liability Rider. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

8.5) Accident Fund Workman's Comp Renewal

Motion by Bochantin, second by Erkman to approve the renewal of the workman's comp insurance. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

8.6) Excess Earthquake Premium Renewal

Motion by Bochantin, second by Euchner to approve the renewal of the excess earthquake premium. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

8.7) FY22 Budget Hearing Date - September 16, 2021

Motion by Erkman, second by Euchner to set the FY22 Budget Hearing for September 16, 2021. Ayes – 6, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

8.8) FY22 Resolution to Prepare Budget

Motion by Euchner, second by Bochantin to approve the resolution to allow the Superintendent to prepare the tentative budget. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

9.0) Closed Session

Motion by Euchner, 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.

Board went into closed session at 7:28 pm.

Motion by Euchner, second by Mitchell-Endsley to return to open session.

Board returned to open session at 8:06 pm.

10.0) Action Items Following Closed Session

10.1) Ratification of Three-Year Teacher Contract

Motion by Euchner, second by Dickerson to ratify a three-year teacher contract. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

10.2) Tuition Reimbursements

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

10.3) Approval of District Resignations

10.3)1. Accept the resignation of Tami Muren

Motion by Bochantin, second by Dickerson to accept the resignation of Tami Muren. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

10.3)2. Accept the resignation of Bridget Conley

Motion by Euchner, second by Bochantin to accept the resignation of Bridget Conley. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

10.3)3. Accept the resignation of Meghan Tippy-King

Motion by Bochantin, second by Euchner to accept the resignation of Meghan Tippy-King. Ayes – 6, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

- 10.4) Employment of Paraprofessionals Middle and Elementary
 - 10.4)1. Motion to hire Krystle Spier as MS Paraprofessional

Motion by Erkman, second by Mitchell-Endsley to hire Krystle Spier as a MS Paraprofessional. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

10.5) Employment of Early Childhood Teacher

Motion by Erkman, second by Mitchell-Endsley to hire Tisha Hampson as an Early Childhood Teacher. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

10.6) Employment of Elementary Special Education Teacher

Motion by Bochantin, second by Mitchell-Endsley to hire Cassie Downs as an Elementary Special Education Teacher. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

10.7) Employment of Elementary Office Assistant

Motion by Euchner, second by Mitchell-Endsley to hire Julie Burns as the Elementary Office Assistant. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

- 10.8) Employment of Stipend Positions
 - 10.8)1. Nate Leingang as MS Athletic Director

Motion by Bochantin, second by Dickerson to hire Nate Leingang as the Middle School Athletic Director. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

10.8)2. Kristy Kohler as MS Softball Coach

Motion by Erkman, second by Bochantin to hire Kristy Kohler as the Middle School Softball Coach. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

10.9) Employment of Elementary School Educators

Motion by Euchner, second by Mitchell-Endsley to employ Jingle Reeb as an Elementary Teacher. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

10.10) Employment of MS Administrative Assistant

Motion by Erkman, second by Dickerson to employ Sarah Castiller as Middle School Building Level Administrative Assistant. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

11.0) Adjournment

Having no further business motion by Bochantin, second by Mitchell-Endsley to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:11 pm.

Sean McKee, President-

Karma Falkenbury, Secretary