

Whiteside School District #115
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
October 18, 2018
7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by President Sean McKee, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Board Members present: Matt Erkman, Rod Euchner, Sean McKee, Terri McKee, Ty Sterthman. Members absent: Frank Bennett, Kia Gunter. Administrators: Peggy Burke, Jaime Cotto, Kevin Johnson, Monica Laurent, Nathan Rakers. Visitors indicated on sign-in sheet.

1.0) Minutes

- 1.1) Motion by Erkman, second by Sterthman, that the minutes of the public hearing and regular board meeting held on September 20, 2018 be approved. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

2.0) Business Management

- 2.1) Motion by Erkman, second by Sterthman, that the Treasurer's Report be accepted as presented. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.
- 2.2) Motion by Erkman, second by Sterthman, to approve the payment of claims. Roll call: Erkman-yes, Euchner-yes, T McKee-yes, Sterthman-yes, S McKee-yes. Motion carried.
- 2.3) Motion by Erkman, second by Euchner, to approve the proposed 2018 tax levy at \$ 5,797,703, a 3.1% increase over 2017. Roll call: Erkman-yes, Euchner-yes, T McKee-yes, Sterthman-yes, S McKee-yes. Motion carried.
- 2.4) Motion by Erkman, second by Sterthman, to reschedule the November and December board meetings to November 27, 2018 and December 18, 2018. Discussion: Mr. Tepen, auditor, is available at 6:30pm on November 27 to review the District's audit. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.
- 2.5) Motion by Erkman, second by Sterthman, to contract with IASB for Superintendent Search. Roll call: Erkman-yes, Euchner-yes, T McKee-yes, Sterthman-yes, S McKee-yes. Motion carried.

3.0) Miscellaneous

- 3.1) Elementary Principal's Report - Mr. Rakers reviewed his written report.
- 3.2) Middle School Principal's Report - Mrs. Laurent reviewed her written report.
- 3.3) Superintendent's Report - Mrs. Burke reviewed her written report.
- 3.4) The new website was reviewed. Discussion ensued regarding the necessity of purchasing the mobile app. Board consensus was to go forth with the mobile app for the ability of push notifications.
- 3.5) Public Comments - The President invited public comments. None were presented.
- 3.6) Motion by Erkman, second by Sterthman, to go into closed meeting to conduct student discipline hearings and to review past closed meeting minutes. Roll call: Erkman-yes, Euchner-yes, T McKee-yes, Sterthman-yes, S McKee-yes. Motion carried.

The Board went into closed session at 7:53pm and returned to open session at 9:38pm.

- 3.7) Motion by Erkman, second by Euchner, to approve the closed meeting minutes of September 20, 2018. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

3.8) Action related to student disciplinary hearings:

- A. Motion by Erkman, second by Sterthman, that student #1312 be expelled through the end of the 2018-2019 school year, but hold the expulsion in abeyance if the student successfully attends Safe School. Roll call: Erkman-yes, Euchner-yes, T McKee-no, Sterthman-yes, S McKee-yes. Motion carried.
- B. Motion by Sterthman, second by Erkman, that student #3992 be expelled through the end of the 2018-2019 school year, but hold the expulsion in abeyance if the student successfully attends Safe School. Roll call: Erkman-yes, Euchner-yes, T McKee-no, Sterthman-yes, S McKee-yes. Motion carried.
- C. Motion by Euchner, second by Sterthman, that student #15051 be expelled through the end of the 2018-2019 school year, but hold the expulsion in abeyance if the student successfully attends Safe School. Roll call: Erkman-yes, Euchner-yes, T McKee-no, Sterthman-yes, S McKee-yes. Motion carried.
- D. Motion by Erkman, second by Euchner, that student #1269 be expelled through the end of the 2018-2019 school year, but hold the expulsion in abeyance if the student successfully attends Safe School. Roll call: Erkman-yes, Euchner-yes, T McKee-no, Sterthman-yes, S McKee-yes. Motion carried.

4.0) Personnel

- 4.1) Motion by Erkman, second by Sterthman, to employ Shelley Scher as a full-time RTI paraprofessional and Loletha Garrett as a full-time special education paraprofessional. Discussion: These are both replacement positions. Roll call: Erkman-yes, Euchner-yes, T McKee-yes, Sterthman-yes, S McKee-yes. Motion carried.
- 4.2) Motion by Erkman, second by Sterthman, to approve the tuition reimbursement requests submitted by Jamie England, Kristy Schaaf, and Katherine Mertens. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

5.0) Having no further business, motion by Erkman, second by Sterthman, to adjourn. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:51pm.

Sean McKee, President

Karma Falkenbury, Secretary