

**Whiteside School District #115
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
Thursday, February 20, 2020
7:00 pm
Whiteside Middle School**

Administrators: Mark Heuring, Monica Laurent, Nathan Rakers, Jaime Cotto, Kevin Johnson

Visitors are indicated on the sign-in sheet

1.0) Call to order & Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting was called to order by President Sean McKee at 7:03 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

2.0) Roll Call of Members

Board Members present: Matt Erkman, Rod Euchner, Sean McKee, Terri McKee, Jeff Tindall.

Board Members absent: Angela Dickerson, Christine Mitchell-Endsley

3.0) Accept or Amend Consent Agenda

Motion by Euchner, second by Erkman to accept the agenda as presented. Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

4.0) Public Comments

There were no public comments.

5.0) Consent Items

5.1) Approval of Minutes from Regular Meeting January 16, 2020

Motion by Erkman, second by Tindall to approve the minutes of the January 16, 2020 regular board meeting. Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

5.2) Approval of the Minutes from Executive Session January 16, 2020

Motion by Erkman, second by Tindall to approve the minutes of the January 16, 2020 executive session. Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

5.3) Approval of the Minutes from Special Meeting February 11, 2020

Motion by Euchner, second by Erkman to approve the minutes from the Special Board Meeting February 20, 2020. Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

- 5.4) Approval of the Treasurers Report
Motion by Euchner, second by Tindall to approve the Treasurers Report as presented. Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Motion carried.
- 5.5) Approval of Claims / Bills Payable
Motion by Euchner, second by Erkman to approve the claims / bills payable as presented. Roll Call: Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, S McKee – yes, T McKee – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

6.0) Board Secretary Correspondence

There was no board secretary business.

7.0) Closed Session

Motion by Erkman, second by Tindall to enter closed session for a parent to address the Board of Education. Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

Board went into closed session at 7:06 pm.

Motion by Euchner, second by Erkman to return to open session. Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

Board returned to open session at 7:42 pm.

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. Mrs. Laurent reported to the board that in addition to the article in the Belleville News Democrat about the Weekend Warrior program, KMOV Channel 4 did a news story, it was mentioned in a letter to the editor as well as being on the Bobby Bones show. Mrs. Laurent also reported on a successful Read-a-thon that was held on February 20th at the Middle School.
- 8.3) District Superintendent Report – Mr. Heuring reviewed his written report.

9.0) Committee Reports

There were no committee reports.

10.0) New Business

- 10.1) Review Closed Meeting Minutes from July 2019 through January 2020
Motion by Euchner, second by Erkman to keep the Closed meeting minutes closed. Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

10.2) Preliminary Calendar Review

Mr. Heuring discussed the preliminary 2020-2021 calendar. He advised the board on some changes from our current calendar. The Teacher's Union will have an opportunity to review and make comments prior to the March board meeting.

No action was taken.

10.3) Therakids Addendum

Motion by Erkman, second by Euchner to enter in the 2-year addendum agreement with Therakids from August 1, 2020 to August 1, 2022. Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

11.0) Closed Session

Motion by Erkman, second by Euchner 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 – 5, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

Board went into closed session at 8:05 pm.

Motion by Erkman, second by Euchner to return to open session. Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

Board returned to open session at 8:35 pm.

12.0) Action Items Following the Closed Session

12.1) Response to Parent

Motion by Tindall, second by Euchner to have Superintendent respond to parent. Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

12.2) Tuition Reimbursements

Motion by Euchner, second by Erkman to approve the tuition reimbursements for Cason and Phillips. Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, S McKee – yes, T McKee – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

12.3) Approval of Volleyball Coach

Motion by Erkman, second by Tindall to approve Allison Baldwin as the 7-8 Girls Volleyball Co-coach. Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

12.4) Approval of Stipend Split

Motion by Erkman, second by Tindall to split the 7-8 Girls Volleyball stipend as requested by the employee. Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

12.5) Stipend Resignation Letter

Motion by Euchner, second by Erkman to accept the resignation of Katherine Mertens as NJHS sponsor. Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

12.6) Elementary School Social Work Intern FY 21

Motion by Erkman, second by Tindall to hire Jessica Lange as the Elementary School social work intern for the 2020-2021 school year. Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

12.7) Teacher Request for Leave

Motion by Euchner, second by Tindall to approve the request of teacher leave as presented. Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

13.0) Adjournment

Having no further business, motion by Erkman, second by Euchner to adjourn. Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:37 pm.

Sean McKee, President

Karma Falkenbury, Secretary