Whiteside School District #115
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
Thursday, May 21, 2020
7:00 pm
Whiteside Middle School
Hosted via Google Meets

Administrators: Mark Heuring, Monica Laurent, Nathan Rakers

Visitors were able to attend via Facebook Live on the Whiteside School District #115 Facebook page.

1.0) Call to order & Pledge of Allegiance
Meeting was called to order by President Sean McKee at 7:06 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

2.0) Roll Call of Members
Board Members present: Angela Dickerson, Matt Erkman, Rod Euchner, Sean McKee, Terri McKee, Christine Mitchell-Endsley, Jeff Tindall.

3.0) Accept or Amend Consent Agenda
Motion by Erkman, second by Tindall to accept the agenda as presented. Ayes – 7, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

4.0) Public Comments
The public was able to send in comments via email or phone call until 4:00 pm May 21, 2020. Mr. Heuring checked the email at the start of the meeting and there were no public comments submitted via email or by phone call.

Mr. Heuring congratulated the Whiteside 8th Grade Class on their Graduation.

5.0) Consent Items
5.1) Approval of Minutes from Regular Meeting April 16, 2020
Motion by Euchner, second by Erkman to approve the minutes from the April 16, 2020 regular board meeting. Ayes – 7, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

5.2) Approval of Minutes from Executive Session April 16, 2020
Motion by Erkman, second by Dickerson to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2020 executive session. Ayes – 7, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

5.3) Approval of the Treasurers Report
Motion by Tindall, second by Euchner to approve the Treasurers Report as presented. Ayes – 7, Nays – 0. Motion carried.
5.4) Approval of Claims / Bills Payable

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

6.0) Board Secretary Correspondence

There was no board secretary business.

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

8.0) Committee Reports

There were no committee reports.

Mr. Heuring informed the Board that he received a mail from ISBA regarding the Policy Manual. We have received Sections 1 to 3 and after review the Board will need to decide in what format they want to review the sections.

9.0) New Business

9.1) Resolution directing the transfer of funds from the working cash fund to one or more general funds of the District

Motion by Euchner, second by Erkman to make a resolution directing the transfer of funds form the working cash fund to one or more general funds of the District. Roll Call: Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, S McKe – yes, T McKe – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

9.2) Resolution authorizing the issuance and sale of a Tax Anticipation Promissory Note in an amount not to exceed $3,000,000 for educational purposes, providing for the sale of the Note to Regions Bank and authorizing the execution of a related Line of Credit Agreement.

Motion by Erkman, second by Tindall to make a resolution authorizing the issuance and sale of a Tax Anticipation Promissory Note in an amount not to exceed $3,000,000 for educational purposes, providing for the sale of the Note to Regions Bank and authorizing the execution of a related Line of Credit Agreement. Roll Call: Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, S McKe – yes, T McKe – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

9.3) Budget FY 20 Revisions and Updates

Motion by Euchner, second by Erkman to amend the FY 20 budget as noted and place on display until the June 18 Board of Education meeting. Ayes – 7, Nays – 0. Motion carried.
9.4) FY 21 Technology Needs and Proposal

Enough information is not available at this time to make a recommendation. Item tabled until a later date. No action taken.

9.5) Amend FY 20 Calendar

Direction has not been received from ISBE on how to amend the FY 20 Calendar. Item tabled until a later date. No action taken.

9.6) Set FY 21 Student Meal Rates

Motion by Erkman, second by Dickerson to set the FY 21 Student Meal Rates for lunch at $2.45, breakfast at $1.35, and milk at $0.60. Ayes – 7, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

9.7) Set FY 21 Adult Meal Rates

Motion by Euchner, second by Erkman to set the FY 21 Adult Meal Rate at $3.00. Ayes – 7, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

9.8) Online Registration and Traditional Registration Dates

Motion by Tindall, second by Euchner to open Online Registration beginning on June 1 and Traditional Registration Dates to be set during the month of July. Ayes – 7, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

9.9) Embrace / Power IEP Renewal

Motion by Erkman, second by Mitchell-Endsley to renew the contract for Embrace / IEP. Ayes – 7, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

10.0) Closed Session

Motion by Tindall, second by S McKee 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 Tindall, second by S McKee to return to open session. Ayes – 7, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

Board returned to open session at 8:10 pm.

11.0) Action Items Following the Closed Session

11.1) Tuition Reimbursements (if applicable)

There were no tuition reimbursements for consideration.

11.2) Resignation of Licensed Staff

Motion by Euchner, second by Dickerson to accept the resignation of Noah Willis. Ayes – 7, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

11.3) Employment of Licensed Staff

Motion by Erkman, second by Tindall to hire Kyle Schmitt as a 6th grade Math Teacher. Ayes – 7, Nays – 0. Motion carried.
11.4) Employment of Middle School NJHS sponsor.
Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Dickerson to hire Mary Stratton as middle school NJHS co-sponsor. Ayes – 7, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

11.5) Employment of 5th/6th grade girls basketball coach.
Motion by Euchner, second by Dickerson to hire Emily Nelson as the 5th/6th grade girls basketball coach. Ayes – 7, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

11.6) Employment of Temporary Summer Custodians
Motion by Erkman, second by Mitchell-Endsley to hire the following as temporary custodians during the months of June and July as follows: Mary Nowak, Kristy Kohler, Seth McKee, Dylan Connolly, Arnold Pattumma, Ryan Halton, Joy Schlag, and Dorothy Spiller. Ayes – 7, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

12.0) Adjournment
Having no further business, motion by Erkman, second by Tindall to adjourn. Ayes – 7, Nays – 0. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 8:12 pm.

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Sean McKee, President                    Karma Falkenbury, Secretary