

**Whiteside School District #115
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
Thursday, December 15, 2022
7:00 pm
Whiteside Middle School**

Administrators: Mark Heuring, Monica Laurent, Nathan Rakers, Kim Bossler, Jaime Cotto (joined at 8:35 pm)

Visitors: as noted on the sign-in sheet

1.0) Call to order & Pledge of Allegiance

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, Rod Euchner, Sean McKee, Christine Mitchell-Endsley, and Jeff Tindall.

Members absent: Matt Erkman

3.0) Accept / Amend Consent Agenda

Motion by Bochantin, second by Mitchell-Endsley to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Ayes – 6, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

4.0) Public Hearing for the resolution to Levy Taxes

Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Dickerson to open the public hearing on the resolution to Levy Taxes.

President Rod Euchner opened the floor for any discussion.

Mr. Heuring pointed out the treasurer's report with the account balances.

Motion by Bochantin, second by Mitchell-Endsley to close the public hearing on the resolution to Levy Taxes.

Returned to the December 15, 2022 Regular Board Meeting.

5.0) Public Comment

There was no Public Comment.

President Rod Euchner welcomed Girl Scout Troop 141 and members from the WFT.

6.0) Consent Items

6.1) Approval of Minutes from Regular Meeting November 14, 2022

Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Bochantin to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting November 14, 2022. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

6.2) Approval of Minutes from the Closed Session November 14, 2022

Motion by Tindall, second by Mitchell-Endsley to approve the minutes from the Closed Session November 14, 2022. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

6.3) Approval of Treasurers Report

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

6.4) Approval of Claims / Bills Payable

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

7.0) Board Secretary Correspondence

No Correspondence at this time.

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

Before giving his report, Mr. Heuring took some questions from Girl Scout Troop 141 who attended to learn about government and work on a merit badge.

9.0) Committee Reports

No Committee Reports at this time.

A Policy Committee meeting needs to be scheduled for January or early February.

10.0) New Business

10.1) First Reading of Press

Motion by Dickerson, second by Bochantin to approve the first reading of PRESS. Ayes – 6, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

10.2) Resolution to Levy Taxes

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

10.3) PAS Services Contract

Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Bochantin to approve the PAS Contract as presented. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

10.4) Approve the District Report Card

Motion by Tindall, second by Bochantin to approve the School District Report Card as presented in October when it was embargoed. Ayes – 6, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

11.0) Closed Session

Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Tindall 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 – 6, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

Board went into closed session at 7:28 pm.

Motion by Tindall, second by Bochantin to return to open session. Ayes – 6, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

Board returned to open session at 8:35 pm.

12.0) Action Items Following Closed Session

12.1) Approval of Tuition Reimbursements

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

Move previous roll for Nikki Stanford. Ayes – 6, Nays – 0. Motion Carried.

12.2) Approval of Resignations

Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Dickerson to accept the resignation for Heather Antoine – ES Paraprofessional. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

12.3) Approval of Employment

Motion by Bochantin, second by Mitchell-Endsley to employ Amanda Cepicky as an ES paraprofessional. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

Move the previous roll for Emoni Hallman. Ayes – 6, Nays – 0. Motion Carried.

12.4) Approval of Custodian / Kitchen Wages and Starting Pay

Motion by Tindall, second by Bochantin to approve a one-time mid-year increase for the custodians and kitchen staff moving the starting pay rate to \$14.00 per hour and providing current employees with a 7.7% increase in preparation to align with the future \$15.00 per hour minimum wage taking effect in 2025. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

12.5) Approval of Paraprofessional / ICA Wages and Starting Pay.

Motion by Tindall, second by Bochantin to approve a one-time mid-year increase for paraprofessionals and ICAs moving the starting pay rate to \$15.00 per hour and providing current employees with a 7.7% increase in preparation to align with the future \$15.00 per hour minimum wage taking effect in 2025. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

12.6) Approval of Long Term Subs

Motion by Tindall, second by Dickerson to approve the employment of Taylor Brueggeman (substitute) who will be the maternity leave sub for Kaitlyn Geasley. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

Move the previous roll for Alexis Loos (substitute) who will be the maternity leave sub for Alyssa Taylor. Ayes – 6, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

13.0) **Adjournment**

Having no further business motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Tindall to adjourn. Ayes – 6, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.



Rod Euchner, President



Karma Falkenbury, Secretary