Whiteside School District #115 Board of Education Regular Meeting Thursday, February 17, 2022 7:00 pm Whiteside Middle School

Administrators: Mark Heuring

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 7:02 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

2.0) Roll Call of Members

Board Members present: Jeremy Bochantin, Angela Dickerson, Matt Erkman, Rod Euchner, Christine Mitchell-Endsley, and Jeff Tindall

Members Absent: Sean McKee

9.0) New Business

9.1) COVID In-Person Learning Mitigations

Motion by Erkman, second by Bochantin to move 9.1 on the agenda. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Mr. Heuring read a prepared statement with his recommendation.

Mr. Euchner welcomed visitors and opened the meeting for public comments.

Mrs. Tock (parent), Dr. Houston (parent), Ms. Hagan (district resident), Mrs. Schaefer (parent), Mr. Harrell (parent), and Ms. Shelden (parent) voiced comments to the Board in regards to masking, not masking, and remote options. Mr. Heuring read email correspondence from Mrs. Peterson (parent) to the board.

The board discussed comments and mitigations.

Motion by Erkman, second by Bochantin to approve the COVID mitigations as noted in the superintendent's correspondence to families on 2-15-22. These include: Mask Optional, Quarantines, and Employee Testing. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – no. Motion carried.

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 Comment

Public comments were received during 9.1.

There were no other public comments.

5.0) Consent Items

5.1) Approval of Minutes from Regular Meeting January 20, 2022

Motion by Dickerson, second by Erkman to approve the minutes from the January 20, 2022 Regular Board Meeting. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall - yes. Motion carried.

5.2) Approval of the Minutes from the Executive Session January 20, 2022

Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Bochantin to approve the minutes from the January 20, 2022 Executive Session. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall - yes. Motion carried.

5.3) Approval of Treasurers Report

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

5.4) 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, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall - yes. Motion carried.

6.0) Board Secretary Correspondence

Correspondence was read during 9.1

7.0) Administrative Reports

- 7.1) Elementary Report Mr. Rakers' report was in the Board packet
- 7.2) Middle School Report Mrs. Laurent's report was in the Board packet
- 7.3) District Superintendent Report Mr. Heuring reviewed his written report

8.0) Committee Reports

No committee reports at this time.

9.0) New Business

9.1) COVID In-Person Learning Mitigations
Covered at the beginning of the meeting

9.2) FY 23 Calendar Proposal

Motion by Erkman, second by Bochantin to approve the FY 23 calendar as presented. Ayes – 6, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

9.3) Band Fees Review

Motion by Erkman, second by Bochantin to consider band as a graded class taught within the school day that does not qualify as an activity (athletic or club) causing the assessment of the initial activity fee as \$25.00. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall - yes. Motion carried.

9.4) Graduation proposed date

Motion by Erkman, second by Bochantin to approve May 17, 2022 as 8th grade graduation. Ayes – 6, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

9.5) FY 23 BOE Meeting Dates

Motion by Tindall, second by Erkman to approve the FY 23 regular BOE meeting dates as presented. Ayes – 6, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

10.0) Closed Session

Motion by Bochantin, second by Erkman 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 8:26 pm.

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

Board returned to open session at 9:38 pm.

11.0) Action Items Following Closed Session

11.1) Tuition Reimbursements

No tuition reimbursements at this time.

11.2) Employment of MS Permanent Substitute

Motion by Erkman, second by Bochantin to employ Melissa Maddox as permanent substitute for the Middle School. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall - yes. Motion carried.

11.3) Completion of Illinois School Nursing Certificate

Motion by Erkman, second by Tindall to move Heather Kypta to Bachelors plus 8 due to her receiving the Illinois School Nurses License. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall - yes. Motion carried.

12.0) Adjournment

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:44 pm.

Rob Euchner, President

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