

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

Administrators: Mark Heuring, Monica Laurent, Nathan Rakers, Kim Bossler, Jaime Cotto

Visitors: as noted on the sign-in sheet and Dennis Wiedman

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

11.8) Student Discipline Matter

President Rod Euchner recommended a motion to move 11.8 Student Discipline Matter forward on the agenda and to enter closed session for the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of a specific employee(s), discussion of legal matters, and student discipline matters. Motion by Bochantin, second by Dickerson. Ayes – 6, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

Board went into closed session at 7:02 pm.

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

Board returned to open session at 8:53 pm.

3.0) Accept / Amend Consent Agenda

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

4.0) Public Comment

There were no public comments.

5.0) Consent Items

5.1) Approval of Minutes from Regular Meeting February 17, 2022

Motion by Tindall, second by Mitchell-Endsley to approve the minutes from the February 17, 2022 Regular Board Meeting. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

5.2) Approval of the Minutes from the Executive Session February 17, 2022

Motion by Bochantin, second by Tindall to approve the minutes from the February 17, 2022 Executive Session. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

5.3) Approval of Treasurers Report

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

5.4) Approval of Claims / Bills Payable

Motion by Dickerson, second by Bochantin 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.

6.0) Board Secretary Correspondence

Mr. Heuring read a Thank you note to the Board of Education and the Administration team from Karma Falkenbury.

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

Policy committee meeting was set for March 22, 2022 at 6:00 pm.

9.0) New Business

9.1) TheraKids

Motion by Tindall, second by Bochantin to approve the addendum for TheraKids through August 2024. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

9.2) COVID Dashboard Changes

Motion by Dickerson, second by Bochantin to suspend the use of our current COVID Dashboard due to recent changes associated with positivity rates, close contacts, and CDC changes. Ayes – 6, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

9.3) FY 23 Photography Contract

Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Tindall to approve entering into a 1-year contract with Burke Photography. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

10.0) Closed Session

Motion by Bochantin, second by Mitchell-Endsley 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 9:20 pm.

Motion by Tindall, second by Dickerson to return to open session.

Board returned to open session at 9:47 pm.

11.0) Action Items Following Closed Session

11.1) Tuition Reimbursements

11.1)1. Motion by Dickerson, second by Bochantin to approve the tuition reimbursement request for Ashley Brown. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

11.1)2. Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Bochantin to approve the tuition reimbursement request for Tricia Bleich. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

11.2) Social work licensure completion

Motion by Dickerson, second by Tindall to update Jessica Gain's salary due to her recent licensure update to school social worker. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

11.3) Approval of Maternity Leave

Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Bochantin to approve Abby Baltz's maternity leave request. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

11.4) Letter(s) of Resignation

11.4)1. Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Dickerson to approve the letter of resignation from Ashanta Hawkins, paraprofessional. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

11.4)2. Motion by Bochantin, second by Mitchell-Endsley to approve the letter of resignation from Jarvis Ashford, paraprofessional. Roll Call: Bochantin –

yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

11.4)3. Motion by Tindall, second by Dickerson to approve the letter of resignation from Kevin Jung, Middle School Café. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

11.4)4. Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Bochantin to approve the letter of resignation from Cindy Doder, Tech Specialist. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

11.4)5. Motion by Euchner, second by Dickerson to approve the letter of resignation from Amy Mannino, Assistant Track Coach. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

11.4)6. Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Bochantin to approve the letter of resignation from Taylor Zimmer, 1st Grade Teacher. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

11.5) Employment of Stipend Positions

11.5)1. Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Dickerson to approve Jawanza Avant as Middle School Track Assistant for only the FY 22 school season. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

11.5)2. Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Bochantin to approve Jennifer Rea as Drama Co-Director. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

11.5)3. Motion by Bochantin, second by Dickerson to approve Kristin Runyan as Drama Tech Director. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

11.6) Employment of P/T Custodian

Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Dickerson to employ Kawoun Cooper as a P/T Custodian in the district. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Tindall – yes. Motion carried.

11.7) Non-Renewal of Non-tenured Teacher(s)

Item tabled.

11.8) Student Discipline Matter

Item tabled.

12.0) Adjournment

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:53 pm.



Rob Euchner, President



Karma Falkenbury, Secretary