

**Whiteside School District #115
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
Thursday, January 20, 2022
7:00 pm
Whiteside Middle School**

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

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, Matt Erkman, Rod Euchner, Sean McKee, and Christine Mitchell-Endsley.

Members Absent: Jeff Tindall

3.0) Accept / Amend Consent Agenda

Motion by Erkman, second by Mitchell-Endsley to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

4.0) Public Comment

President Rod Euchner welcomed visitors and the WFT representatives.

There were no public comments.

5.0) Consent Items

5.1) Approval of Minutes from Regular Meeting December 16, 2021

Motion by Bochantin, second by Dickerson to approve the minutes from the December 16, 2021 Regular Board Meeting. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

5.2) Approval of the Minutes from the Executive Session December 16, 2021

Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Erkman to approve the minutes from the December 16, 2021 Executive Session. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

5.3) Approval of Treasurers Report

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

5.4) Approval of Claims / Bills Payable

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

6.0) Board Secretary Correspondence

Mr. Heuring read a Thank You note to the Board from Karma Falkenbury and Karla McKee.

7.0) Administrative Reports

7.1) Elementary Report –Mr. Rakers reviewed his written report. Mrs. Bossler explained the Elementary Character Ed project that would be taking place in February.

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

No committee reports at this time.

9.0) New Business

9.1) Approval to appoint Superintendent to File for Federal Impact Aid

Motion by Erkman, second by Bochantin to appoint the Superintendent to file for Federal Impact Aid. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

9.2) Board of Education Economic Interest Statement

Reminder that all BOE members will be required to complete the Economic Interest Statement after February.

No Action Needed.

9.3) Review Closed Minutes

Motion by Bochantin, second by Erkman to keep all July 2020 – December 2020 closed meeting minutes closed to the public. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

9.4) ECF – Chromebook purchase

Motion by Erkman, second by Mitchell-Endsley to use the ECF funding to purchase chromebooks for the district collection. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

10.0) Closed Session

Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Bochantin 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 7:27 pm.

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

Board returned to open session at 8:07 pm.

11.0) Action Items Following Closed Session

11.1) Tuition Reimbursements

11.1)1. Tuition Reimbursement request from Sarah Cason

Motion by Bochantin, second by Erkman to approve the tuition reimbursement request by Sarah Cason.

11.1)2. Tuition Reimbursement request from Taryn Harwell

Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Bochantin to approve the tuition reimbursement request by Taryn Harwell.

11.1)3. Tuition Reimbursement request from Jenny Rea

Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Bochantin to approve the tuition reimbursement request from Jenny Rea.

11.1)4. Tuition Reimbursement request from Emily Nelson

Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Bochantin to approve the tuition reimbursement request from Emily Nelson.

Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

11.2) Approval of Dismissal of District Employee

Motion by Erkman, second by Bochantin to dismiss Robin Little as Middle School Permanent Sub in the District. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

11.3) Approval of Employment of MS Paraprofessionals

Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Dickerson to approve the employment of Allen Schmitt as MS Paraprofessional. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

11.4) Approval of Employment of MS Paraprofessionals

Motion by Erkman, second by Dickerson to approve the employment of Kelsey Smith as MS Paraprofessional. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

11.5) Approval of District Employee Resignations

Motion by Bochantin, second by Mitchell-Endsley to accept the resignation of Kawoun Cooper, ES Custodian. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

11.6) Approval of District Employee Resignations

Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Bochantin to accept the resignation of Kyle Schmitt, MS Math Teacher. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

11.7) Approval of MS Teacher Candidate

Motion by Bochantin, second by Mitchell-Endsley to employ Amanda Dermody as MS Teacher to begin school year 22-23. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

11.8) Approval of Employment of Women's Track Coach

Motion by Dickerson, second by Erkman to employ Emily Nelson as MS Women's Track Coach. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

12.0) Adjournment

Having no further business motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Dickerson to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 8:11 pm.



Rob Euchner, President



Karma Falkenbury, Secretary