Whiteside School District #115 Board of Education Regular Meeting Monday, April 14, 2025 7:00 pm Whiteside Middle School Library

Administrators: Mark Heuring, Monica Laurent, Nathan Rakers, Kim Bossler, 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, Rod Euchner, Derek Houston, Sean McKee, Christine Mitchell-Endsley, and Nancy Sanchez.

3.0) Accept / Amend Consent Agenda

Motion by Sanchez, second by Dickerson to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Ayes -7, Nays -0. Motion carried.

4.0) Public Comment

President Rod Euchner welcomed the visitors and members of the WFT.

Tricia Bleich, Kristy Schaaf, Tracy Mentzer, Brian Egan, and Michelle Burton spoke to the Board on behalf of the Whiteside Federation of Teachers.

Ashley McErlain spoke to the Board regarding her April 2, 2025 email to the Board.

Derek Houston requested that the teachers share the copies of their statements with the Board. Teachers agreed to email their statements.

5.0) Consent Items

5.1) Approval of Minutes from Regular Meeting March 20, 2025

Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Houston to approve the minutes from the Regular meeting on March 20, 2025. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, Houston – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Sanchez – yes. Motion carried.

5.2) Approval of Minutes from Closed Session March 20, 2025

Motion by Dickerson, second by Houston to approve the minutes from the Closed Session on March 20, 2025. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes,

Euchner – yes, Houston – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Sanchez – yes. Motion carried.

5.3) Approval of Treasurer's Report

Motion by Bochantin, second by Sanchez to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, Houston – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Sanchez - yes. Motion carried.

5.4) Approval of Claims / Bills Payable

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

6.0) Board Secretary Correspondence

Mr. Heuring reminded the Board of the email from Mrs. McErlain and shared a letter from an employee.

7.0) Administrative Reports

7.1) Elementary Report – Mr. Rakers reviewed his written report.

In addition, Mr. Rakers let the Board know that the Elementary Students reached their service project goal. They celebrated with a Silly Sports Assembly and presented a check for the Weekend Warriors program to the Middle School Students in attendance.

7.2) Middle School Report – Mrs. Laurent reviewed her written report.

Mrs. Laurent also shared about the Boys Group trip to Harris-Stowe University, the trip to Wash U for the Sonia Kovalevsky day, and the start up of the Garden Club.

7.3) District Superintendent Report – Mr. Heuring reviewed his written report.

Mr. Heuring gave an update from GRP on the Solar Project. He will be asking representatives from GRP to come to the June meeting to update the board on our energy production.

8.0) Committee Reports

8.1) Handbook Policy Committee

Meeting set for Tuesday, May 13th, 2025 at 5:00 pm

8.2) Finance Committee Date

Meeting set for Tuesday, May 13th, 2025 at 6:00 pm

9.0) New Business

9.1) Set the Date for Public Hearing to Amend the FY25 Budget (June 16th)

Motion by Houston, second by Dickerson to set the date of June 16, 2025 as the public hearing to amend the FY25 budget. Ayes -7, Nays -0. Motion carried.

9.2) 201 Transportation Agreement with Associated Costs

Motion by Bochantin, second by Mitchell-Endsley to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with District 201 for FY 26 transportation. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, Houston – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Sanchez - yes. Motion carried.

9.3) Permission to construct the FY 26 District Budget

Motion by Sanchez, second by Dickerson to allow the superintendent and the District Finance Coordinator to begin working on the construction of the FY 26 District Budget. Ayes -7, Nays -0. Motion carried.

10.0) Closed Session

Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Houston to enter closed session for the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of a specific employee(s), discussion of district legal matters I pending litigation and student discipline matters. Ayes I Nays I

Board went into closed session at 7:43 pm.

Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Dickerson to return to open session. Ayes -7, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Board returned to open session at 10:06 pm.

11.0) Action Items Following Closed Session

11.1) District Safety Report

Reviewed in Closed Session

No Action taken.

11.2) Tuition Reimbursement

- 11.2)1. Motion by Houston, second by Dickerson to approve the tuition reimbursement for Nicole Keys. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, Houston – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Sanchez - yes. Motion carried.
- 11.2)2. Move the previous roll for April Nail. Ayes 7, Nays 0. Motion carried.
- 11.2)3. Move the previous roll for Amber Phillips. Ayes 7, Nays 0. Motion carried.
- 11.2)4. Move the previous roll for Sondra Kingsbury. Ayes 7, Nays 0. Motion carried.

11.3) Employment of District Personnel

11.3)1. Motion by Houston, second by Mitchell-Endsley to employ Rylie Bishop as a middle school physical education teacher in the District. Roll Call:

- Bochantin yes, Dickerson yes, Euchner yes, Houston yes, McKee yes, Mitchell-Endsley yes, Sanchez yes. Motion carried.
- 11.3)2. Move the previous roll for Ally Schuneman Permanent Sub. Ayes 7, Nays 0. Motion carried.
- 11.3)3. Move the previous roll for Malik Good Permanent Sub. Ayes 7, Nays 0. Motion carried.
- 11.3)4. Move the previous roll for Brennan Teeter ESP. Ayes 7, Nays 0. Motion carried.

11.4) Employment of Summer Custodians

- 11.4)1. Motion by Houston, second by Dickerson to employ Mary Nowak as a temporary summer custodian from June 1, 2025 to August 8, 2025. Roll Call: Bochantin yes, Dickerson yes, Euchner yes, Houston yes, McKee yes, Mitchell-Endsley yes, Sanchez yes. Motion carried.
- 11.4)2. Move the previous roll for Emma Nowak. Ayes 7, Nays 0. Motion carried.
- 11.4)3. Move the previous roll for Kayla Nowak. Ayes 7, Nays 0. Motion carried.
- 11.4)4. Move the previous roll for Cole Thompson. Ayes 7, Nays 0. Motion carried.
- 11.4)5. Move the previous roll for Joan Kloepper. Ayes 7, Nays 0. Motion carried.
- 11.4)6. Move the previous roll for Megan Thompson. Ayes 7, Nays 0. Motion carried.

11.5) District Resignations

- 11.5)1. Motion by Houston, second by Bochantin to approve the resignation of Darion Palmer – Custodian. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, Houston – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Sanchez - yes. Motion carried.
- 11.5)2. Move the previous roll for Nicole Sexton ES Teacher. Ayes 7, Nays –
 0. Motion carried.
- 11.5)3. Move the previous roll for Patricia Johnson-Hall Lunch Supervisor. Ayes 7, Nays 0. Motion carried.
- 11.5)4. Move the previous roll for Procesa Schmittling Café. Ayes 7, Nays 0. Motion carried.

11.6) District Retirements

- 11.6)1. Motion by Houston, second by Bochantin to accept Connie Zalesky's letter of retirement notating her last year will be the 2027-2028 school year. Roll Call: Bochantin yes, Dickerson yes, Euchner yes, Houston yes, McKee yes, Mitchell-Endsley yes, Sanchez yes. Motion carried.
- 11.6)2. Move the previous roll for Jayne Watkins notating her last year will be the 20207-2028 school year. Ayes 7, Nays 0. Motion carried.

11.7) Summer School Teachers

- 11.7)1. Motion by Houston, second by Dickerson to employ Alana Kolbe as a Summer School Teacher in 2025. Roll Call: Bochantin yes, Dickerson yes, Euchner yes, Houston yes, McKee yes, Mitchell-Endsley yes, Sanchez yes. Motion carried.
- 11.7)2. Move the previous roll for Stacey Geluck. Ayes 7, Nays 0. Motion carried.
- 11.7)3. Move the previous roll for Sondra Kingsbury. Ayes 7, Nays 0. Motion carried.
- 11.7)4. Move the previous roll for Cassie Downs. Ayes 7, Nays 0. Motion carried.
- 11.7)5. Move the previous roll for Scott Way. Ayes 7, Nays 0. Motion carried.
- 11.7)6. Move the previous roll for Dennis Martinez. Ayes 7, Nays 0. Motion carried.
- 11.7)7. Move the previous roll for Raelene Krause. Ayes 7, Nays 0. Motion carried.
- 11.7)8. Move the previous roll for Jingle Reeb. Ayes 7, Nays 0. Motion carried.

11.8) Summer School Aides

- 11.8)1. Motion by Houston, second by Mitchell-Endsley to employ Meredith Maynard as a Summer School Paraprofessional in 2025. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, Houston – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Sanchez – yes. Motion carried.
- 11.8)2. Move the previous roll for Elisha Reynolds. Ayes 7, Nays 0. Motion carried.
- 11.8)3. Move the previous roll for Javis Taylor. Ayes 7, Nays 0. Motion carried.
- 11.8)4. Move the previous roll for Sherry Hagood. Ayes 7, Nays 0. Motion carried.
- 11.9) Behavior Interventionist / Peer Coach

No Action Taken.

11.10) Termination of District Employees

No Action Taken.

11.11) Non-Renewal of 1st year probationary teacher

Motion by Dickerson, second by Bochantin to approve the resolution approving the non-renewal of 1st year probationary teacher, Maggie Walsh. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Euchner – yes, Houston – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes, Sanchez – yes. Motion carried.

12.0) Adjournment

Having no further business motion by McKee, second by Houston to adjourn. Ayes $-\,7$, Nays $-\,0$. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:16 pm.

Rod Euchner, President

Karla McKee, Secretary