

Whitmore Lake Public Schools BOARD OF EDUCATION Workshop Meeting Minutes October 10, 2016 – High School Media Center – 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ken Dignan (*President*), Lisa McCully (*Vice President*), Bob Henry (*Treasurer*), Michelle Kritzman (*Trustee*), Laura Schwennesen

(Trustee), and Lynn Slagle (Trustee)

MEMBERS ABSENT

Rita LaForest (Secretary)

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT

Superintendent, Tom DeKeyser, Director of Business & Operations, Denise Kerrigan, Elementary Principal and ECC Director, Sue Wanamaker, Director of Instruction, Jill Henry, and Director of Student Services, Melissa Heuker

OTHERS PRESENT

Staff, parents and members of the community

CALL TO ORDER

At 7:00 p.m. by President Ken Dignan.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda as presented made by Mr. Dignan; supported by Mrs. Schwennesen.

Ayes - 6; Nays- 0, motion carried 6-0.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None

STUDENT COUNCIL

Student Council Representative, Karolyn Wagner, shared highlights from Homecoming festivities she also thanked all volunteers for helping chaperone at float building and the dance.

NEW BUSINESS

Student Achievement

Superintendent DeKeyser updated the Board with results received from the spring 2016 M-Step and SAT testing. DeKeyser then introduced Director of Instruction, Jill Henry and Instructional Coach, Jennifer Petzke to present the complete report with the Board.

The Board reviewed the M-Step and SAT results and discussed the various levels and areas of testing. Mrs. Henry shared the M-Step scores can quickly change from one level to another due to our small class sizes.

NEOLA

Superintendent DeKeyser shared changes required and options for policies regarding student assessment, staff reductions/recalls and evaluation of the superintendent, school administrator, and professional staff with the Board for a first reading. Any errors or questions should be directed to DeKeyser prior to the next board meeting on October 24, 2016 where approval will be recommended.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Superintendent DeKeyser shared the following:

- Thanked Mr. McCormack for promoting the Friday night game as the "Game of the Week" and filling our stands for our Homecoming Game.
- Athletic updates: The Equestrian Team will be competing in the state finals on Thursday and Friday of this week and HS Cross Country runner Trey Cucuro set a new school record over the weekend.
- 3) Met with Livingston Classical Cyber Academy members to verify they are complying with the requirements as a 6E Cyber School of excellence. Mr. DeKeyser recommends that the Board continue to share the expectations as an authorizing body with LCCA. Mr. Dignan shared LCCA did confirm all their students do have access to the technology needs required for cyber schools.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Monday, October 24, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the WLHS Media Center.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Mrs. Schwennesen shared that the middle school robotics competition season begins in a few weeks. Their first competition will be in Novi, Michigan in November.

Mrs. Kritzman, and Mr. Dignan thanked the Touchdown Club for purchasing the WL stencils for placement on the field and the Maintenance Department for getting the field updated before the homecoming game.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:10 p.m. made by Mr. Dignan; supported by Mrs. Slagle. Ayes - 6; Nays- 0, motion carried 6-0.

Rita A. LaForest, Secretary, Board of Education

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Date.