

Whitmore Lake Public Schools BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting Minutes

June 26, 2017 – District Office Conference Room – 6:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ken Dignan (President), Laura Schwennesen (Vice President), Bob

Henry (Treasurer), Lee Cole (Trustee), Lisa McCully (Trustee), and

John Meadows (Trustee)

MEMBERS ABSENT

Michelle Kritzman (Secretary)

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT

Superintendent, Tom DeKeyser, Elementary Principal and ECC Director,

Sue Wanamaker, and Director of Student Services, Melissa Heuker

OTHERS PRESENT

Staff, parents and members of the community

CALL TO ORDER

At 6:00 p.m. by President Ken Dignan.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Dignan requested to amend the agenda and move Designate Acting BOE Secretary following the approval of agenda. Superintendent DeKeyser requested to add Office Personnel Negotiations under New Business.

Motion to approve the agenda as amended made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mrs. Schwennesen. Ayes – 6; Nays – 0, motion carried

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None

STUDENT COUNCIL

Student Council Representative, Karolyn Wagner, was unable to attend. She will update the Board at the next meeting.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion to approve the minutes from the June 19, 2017 Board of Education Regular Meeting, and the June 19, 2017 closed session made by Mrs. Schwennesen; supported by Mrs. McCully. Ayes -6; Nays -0, motion carried 6-0

Motion to approve fund transfer of \$352,916 in payments from Accounts Payable; further, to approve the transfer of \$420,317 from Accounts Payable to cover the payrolls of May 15, 2017 and May 31, 2017 made

by Mrs. Schwennesen; supported by Mrs. McCully.

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

OLD BUSINESS

NEOLA

Superintendent, DeKeyser shared with the Board the required changes to the NEOLA policies 5630.01 – Student Seclusion and Restraint, 8500 – Food Services, and 8520 – Meal Charge Policy for a second reading. He recommended that the Board approve the policies with the changes noted.

Motion to approve the NEOLA policies 5630.01 – Student Seclusion and Restraint, 8500 – Food Services, and 8520 – Meal Charge Policy updates and revisions made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mr. Cole. Ayes – 6; Nays – 0, motion carried

2016-2017 Final Budget Proposal and Resolution

Motion to approve the 2016-2017 Final Budget summary as presented at the June 26, 2017 meeting made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mrs. Schwennesen. Roll Call Vote; Mr. Cole—yes, Mr. Dignan—yes, Mr. Henry—yes, Mrs. McCully—yes, Mr. Meadows—yes, Mrs. Schwennesen—yes

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

2017-2018 Budget Proposal and Resolution

Motion to approve the 2017-18 Original Budget summary made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mrs. McCully.

Superintendent DeKeyser reviewed the adjustments made to the Original Budget that was previously presented at the June 19, 2017 meeting. Some of the adjustments included adding estimated funds from Medicaid Proceeds and recalculating technology service expenses.

Roll Call Vote; Mrs. Schwennesen – yes, Mr. Henry – yes, Mrs. McCully – yes, Mr. Meadows – yes, Mr. Dignan – yes, Mr. Cole – yes Ayes – 6; Nays – 0, motion carried 6 – 0

NEW BUSINESS

Designate Acting BOE Secretary

Motion to designate Mrs. Schwennesen to serve as acting Board Secretary in the absence of current Board Secretary, Michelle Kritzman made by Mr. Dignan; supported by Mrs. McCully.

Ayes – 6; Nays – 0, motion carried 6 – 0

Borrowing Resolution

Motion to approve the borrowing resolution for adoption for the 2017-2018 school year through the Michigan Financial Authority (MFA) for an amount not to exceed \$1,350,000 made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mr. Cole. Roll Call Vote; Mr. Henry – yes, Mrs. McCully – yes, Mr. Meadows – yes, Mrs. Schwennesen – yes, Mr. Cole – yes, Mr. Dignan – yes

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

Tenure Charges

Motion to approve the resolution to proceed with tenure charges against Loren Birdyshaw, pursuant to Article IV of the Teachers' Tenure Act made by Mr. Dignan; supported by Mrs. Schwennesen. Roll Call Vote; Mrs. McCully—yes, Mr. Meadows—yes, Mrs. Schwennesen—yes, Mr. Cole—yes, Mr. Dignan—yes, Mr. Henry—yes
Ayes—6; Nays—0, motion carried 6—0

2017-2018 School Calendar

Motion to approve the school calendar for the 2017-2018 school year that has been approved by the teachers made by Mr. Dignan; supported Mr. Cole.

Superintendent DeKeyser shared with the Board the 2018-2019 school year calendar has also been approved by the teachers and will be presented at the next meeting after verification of meeting required days and hours per Michigan Department of Education.

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

WLEA Negotiations

Motion to approve the ratification of the contract agreement between Whitmore Lake Public Schools and the Whitmore Lake Education

Association, MEA/NEA made by Mr. Meadows; supported by Mrs. McCully.

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

Office Personnel Negotiations

Motion to approve the ratification of the contract agreement between Whitmore Lake Public Schools and the Office Personnel Association, MEA/NEA for the time period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020 made by Mr. Dignan; Supported by Mrs. Schwennesen. Ayes -6; Nays -0, motion carried 6 - 0

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. DeKeyser shared the following:

1) People's Express Lease – Met with their Board members last week: discussion included negotiating space for parking with security, maintenance and the potential for office space. They have indicated they would like to start before end of year, however I have asked to possibly begin before start of 2017-18 school year.

Mr. Meadows questioned if this would be a multi-year agreement. Mr. DeKeyser shared we are looking at a three to five year agreement.

Mrs. Schwennesen inquired when work will begin this summer using the Sinking Fund dollars. Mr. DeKeyser shared some work should begin in July. The HS Track would not begin until the end of summer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Monday, July 24, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the District Office Conference Room.

Board members agreed to start the July and August 2017 meetings at 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Mrs. Schwennesen inquired on meeting to discuss repurposing the sinking fund to include technology, for the November 2017 ballot, that has since been added and passed through the state legislation. She also shared the deadline to add the redrafting to the ballot is in August.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 6:51 p.m. made by Mr. Dignan; supported by Mrs. McCully. Ayes - 6; Nays - 0, motion carried 6 - 0.

Michelle L. Kritzman, Board of Education

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