



Whitmore Lake Public Schools

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting Minutes

July 24, 2017 – District Office Conference Room – 6:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ken Dignan (*President*), Laura Schwennesen (*Vice President*), Bob Henry (*Treasurer*), Michelle Kritzman (*Secretary*), Lee Cole (*Trustee*), Lisa McCully (*Trustee*), and John Meadows (*Trustee*)

MEMBERS ABSENT

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT

Superintendent, Tom DeKeyser, Elementary Principal and ECC Director, Sue Wanamaker, Director of Student Services, Melissa Heuker, and Director of Instruction, Jill Henry

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 remove the School Bond Loan Fund Resolution under New Business from the agenda.

Motion to approve the agenda as amended made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mrs. McCully.

Ayes – 7; Nays – 0, motion carried

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion to approve the minutes from the June 26, 2017 Board of Education Regular Meeting made by Mr. Dignan; supported by Mr. Cole.

Ayes – 7; Nays – 0, motion carried 7 – 0

Motion to approve fund transfer of \$219,159 in payments from Accounts Payable; further, to approve the transfer of \$470,195 from Accounts Payable to cover the payrolls of June 15, 2017 and June 30, 2017 made by Mr. Dignan; supported by Mr. Cole.

Ayes – 7; Nays – 0, motion carried 7 – 0

OLD BUSINESS

2018-2019 Draft School Calendar

Motion to approve the 2018-2019 school year calendar with a disclaimer that the start and end date could change subject to Michigan Department of Education requirements made by Mr. Cole; supported by Mrs. Kritzman.

Ayes – 7; Nays – 0, motion carried 7 – 0

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of Legal Counsel

Motion to retain the legal firms of Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone, and Thrun Law Firm as legal counsel for the Whitmore Lake Public School District for the 2017-2018 School year made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mrs. McCully.

Ayes – 7; Nays – 0, motion carried 7 – 0

Motion to approve the bid received from JAC LED Lighting to upgrade lighting in the high school gym, pool, main street, and rear parking lot bollards with energy efficient LED lighting made by Mr. Dignan; supported by Mrs. Schwennesen.

Ayes – 7; Nays – 0, motion carried 7 – 0

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Mr. DeKeyser shared the following:

- 1) Elementary School – Mrs. Wanamaker updated the Board on the hiring status.
- 2) Sinking Fund update –Jeff Atkins of Barton Malow shared the fire suppression line repair above the auditorium has been completed. He also updated the Board regarding drainage repairs to the ball fields.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Monday, August 21, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the District Office Conference Room.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Mr. Meadows suggested sending information out to the parents of our upcoming 5th and 6th grade students regarding the changes for the 2017-18 school year. Mrs. Wanamaker shared that letters were mailed out to parents last Friday.

Mrs. Schwennesen shared that the Ad-hoc committee met last week and does not recommend repurposing the sinking fund to include technology, at the November 2017 ballot.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion to adjourn into closed session meeting at 7:06 p.m. (with a 5 minute break) to discuss pending litigation made by Mrs. Schwennesen; supported by Mr. Cole. Roll call vote required. Mrs. Schwennesen – yes, Mr. Henry – yes, Mrs. Kritzman – yes, Mrs. McCully – yes, Mr. Meadows – yes, Mr. Dignan – yes, Mr. Cole – yes
Ayes – 7; Nays – 0, motion carried 7 – 0

Call to Order

Open session called to order at 7:21 p.m. by President Dignan

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:21 p.m. made by Mrs. McCully; supported by Mr. Cole.
Ayes - 7; Nays - 0, motion carried 7 - 0.


Michelle L. Kritzman, Secretary, Board of Education
Whitmore Lake Public Schools


Date