

# Whitmore Lake Public Schools BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting Minutes

September 25, 2017 – High School Media Center – 7:00 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, Director of Finance & Operations, Denise Kerrigan, Director of Instruction, Jill Henry, Director of Student Services, Melissa Heuker, and Community Relations & Recreation Director, Maria Carter-Ewald

OTHERS PRESENT

Staff, parents and members of the community

CALL TO ORDER

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Dignan requested to amend the agenda to add an overnight trip proposal under New Business.

Motion to approve the agenda as amended made by Mr. Dignan; supported by Mr. Cole.

Ayes -7; Nays -0, motion carried

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None

STUDENT COUNCIL

Student Council Representative, Karolyn Wagner, shared highlights of Homecoming week.

**CONSENT ITEMS** 

Motion to approve the minutes from the August 21, 2017 Board of Education Regular meeting, the September 11, 2017 Board of Education Regular meeting, the September 11, 2017 closed session meeting, and the September 15, 2017 Finance Committee meeting made by Mrs. McCully; supported by Mrs. Schwennesen.

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

Motion to approve fund transfer of \$196,636 in payments from Accounts Payable; further, to approve the transfer of \$316,611 from Accounts Payable to cover the payrolls of August 15, 2017 and August 31, 2017 made by Mrs. McCully; supported by Mrs. Schwennesen.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Superintendent DeKeyser reported the Finance Committee meeting held on September 15, 2017 was the last committee meeting. There have been no additional committee meetings to report.

**NEW BUSINESS** 

Overnight Trip Proposal

Motion to approve the proposal for an overnight trip with MS/HS Band and Choir students to travel to Mackinac Island, MI on May 11, 2018 submitted by High School Teacher Michael Kirby made by Mr. Cole; supported by Mrs. McCully.

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

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

MASB Delegate Assembly

Mr. Dignan inquired if anyone was available to attend the Michigan Association of School Boards 2017 Delegate Assembly scheduled for Thursday, November 9, 2017. He suggested if you're interested and available to attend to contact Mr. DeKeyser.

## ACADEMIC ACHIECEMENT PRESENTATION

Director of Instruction Jill Henry provided the Board with an overview of the 2016-17 academic performance results. She also shared some highlights and benefits to students taking the newest Advanced Placement Computer Science Principles course offered to grades 9-12 at the WLHS.

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. DeKeyser shared the following:

- M-Step data is available on the MI School Data website. He also suggested ideas to increase resources and support in the classroom.
- 2) October 9, 2017 BOE Regular Mtg. Possible modification to meeting to further discuss academic achievement.
- 3) Legislative Coffee Monday, Oct. 2, 2017 7:30 a.m. at the Washtenaw Intermediate School District.
- 4) Sinking Fund update LED lighting is complete in two areas at the MS/HS, track renovations begin this week, baseball / softball fields will begin after October 8, 2017.
- 5) Washtenaw ISD Special Education Millage Renewal will be on the November 7, 2017 ballot. A link to access the information will be available on the WLPS website.
- 6) Varsity Volleyball Having a successful season, they will host their annual Volleyball Invitational this Saturday, September 30, 2017 beginning at 8:00 a.m. in the HS Gym.

# OTHER INFORMATION

None

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Monday, October 9, 2017 at 7:00 p.m., unless modified, in the High School Media Center.

### CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None

#### BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Mr. Cole remarked he enjoyed helping with the supervision at the homecoming dance and could tell students were enjoying themselves. He also complemented the WLPS faculty and community members for the well behaved students who attended.

Mr. Dignan shared he also heard how much students enjoyed themselves at the homecoming dance.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:30 p.m. made by Mr. Henry; Supported by Mr. Cole.

Ayes - 7; Nays - 0, motion carried 7 - 0.

Michelle L. Kritzman, Secretary, Board of Education

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