

Whitmore Lake Public Schools BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting Minutes

February 10, 2020 – High School Media Center – 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Laura Schwennesen (President), John Meadows (Vice President), Michelle

Kritzman (Treasurer), Lisa McCully (Secretary), Lee Cole (Trustee), Ken

Dignan (Trustee), and Bob Henry (Trustee)

MEMBERS ABSENT

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT

Superintendent, Tom DeKeyser, Director of Finance & Operations, Denise

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

Director of Technology, Karen Sterzik

OTHERS PRESENT

Staff, parents and members of the community

CALL TO ORDER

At 7:00 p.m. by President Laura Schwennesen.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve an amended agenda to include a quiz bowl proposal for an

overnight fieldtrip under new business made by Mr. Dignan; supported by Mr.

Meadows.

Ayes -7; Nays -0, motion carried

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None

STUDENT COUNCIL

Student Council Representative, Alaina Di Dio shared the highlights from the

Snowcoming festivities. She also shared plans for Spring Fling will begin in

April.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mrs. Kritzman shared the Finance Committee met earlier this evening topics

included sinking fund expenditures, food service budget and technology bids.

Mr. Dignan shared the Executive Committee met January 20, 2020 they

discussed administrative changes, marketing, and zoning.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion to approve the minutes from the January 13, 2020 Board of Education

Organizational-Regular Meeting, and the January 13, 2020 Finance

Committee Meeting as presented was made by Mrs. Schwennesen; supported

by Mr. Dignan.

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

Motion to approve fund transfer of \$533,365 in payments from Accounts Payable; further, to approve the transfer of \$274,997 from Accounts Payable

to cover the payrolls of January 15, 2020 and January 31, 2020 made by Mrs.

Schwennesen; supported by Mr. Dignan.

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

NEW BUSINESS

2021 Washington D.C. Trip Proposal

Motion to approve the proposal for a 7th & 8th grade overnight trip to Gettysburg and Washington D.C. from March 22, 2021 through March 25, 2021 submitted by MS/HS teachers Eric Kobeck and Kathryn Woods was

made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mr. Cole.

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

Quiz Bowl Trip Proposal

Motion to approve the overnight trip submitted by HS teacher LuAnn Easlick for Varsity Quiz Bowl to attend and compete in the 2020 Small School National Championship Tournament in Rosemont, IL from April 24, 2020 through April 26, 2020 was made by Mr. Meadow; supported by Mr. Dignan. Ayes – 7; Nays – 0, motion carried 7 – 0

2020-2021 Start Date

Motion to approve the start date of August 31, 2020 for the 2020-2021 school year was made by Mrs. McCully; supported by Mr. Henry. Ayes 7; Nays – 0, motion carried 7 - 0

Approval of 2020 Video Surveillance Project

Motion to approve, awarding bid from Security 101 and Barton Malow Design and Management for the 2020 district-wide Video Surveillance Project was made by Mrs. Schwennesen; supported by Mr. Meadows.

Mr. DeKeyser shared the software package is the big difference between the other company bids. Security 101 is the lowest bid. He also shared they are a local company and have all equipment necessary to do the install.

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

SEVP Application Execution Resolution

Motion to authorize Board President, Laura Schwennesen, on behalf of the Board to take all actions necessary to finalize and execute the SEVP Petition, in substantially similar form to the draft presented to the Board, and any amendments or supplemental documents related to the SEVP Petition was made by Mr. Dignan; supported by Mr. Meadows.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Dignan – yes, Mr. Henry – yes, Mrs. Kritzman – yes, Mrs. McCully – yes, Mr. Meadows – yes, Mrs. Schwennesen – yes, Mr. Cole - yes Ayes – 7; Nays – 0, motion carried 7 – 0

Financial Report

Mrs. Kerrigan updated the Board with information regarding the January 31, 2020 financial report.

Maintenance Vehicle Purchase

Motion to approve purchase of a 2020 Ford F250 and a Western MVP3 Plow for the maintenance department not to exceed to the cost of \$45,000 was made by Mr. Cole; supported by Mr. Henry.

Mr. Dignan inquired if we received government pricing for both the F250 and the plow. Mrs. Kerrigan and Mr. DeKeyser shared we are receiving the government pricing for both items.

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

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. DeKeyser shared the following:

- State of the State Address Budgets are moving along, Governor, Gretchen Whitmer, requested an increase of \$225 per student, additional funding for Special Education, and support for at Risk, Literacy, CTE and others. With the state education budget moving along quickly it should help districts to have a solid budget for next school year.
- 2. Board of Ed Policies With the shift of polices from NEOLA to Lusk Albertson we will engage in a Workshop Meeting. The first meeting will be held Monday, February 24, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.
- 3. WISD Superintendent, Dr. Scott Menzel, is interviewing in Arizona. He is requesting to have the Supplemental Support Services agreement carried over into the 2020-2021 school year.

OTHER INFORMATION

The Board acknowledged the items of other information.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Monday, March 9, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Media Center.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Mr. Dignan suggested the Board take a tour of the Google Headquarters facility and have an off-site meeting while there. He also shared the Board has been invited to take a tour of Merit Network, Inc. in Ann Arbor too.

Mrs. Kritzman announced that the MS Drama Club will present "101 Dalmatians" on February 22nd and 23rd, and the HS Drama Club will present "Legally Blonde Jr." the Musical, on March 7th and 8th. She also shared that Drama is having a shoe drive to raise funds to update sound and lighting in the theater.

Mr. Meadows shared the Education Foundation final fundraising event for this year will be an Acapella Concert on March 13, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the high school theater.

Laura Schwennesen announced the high school Robotics team will have a competition the weekend of March 13, 2020 in Detroit.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:07 p.m. made by Mr. Cole; supported by Mrs. Schwennesen.

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

Lisa C. McCully, Secretary, Board of Education

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