

# Whitmore Lake Public Schools BOARD OF EDUCATION Regular Meeting Minutes April 19, 2021 – High School Media Center – 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

MEMBERS ABSENT

None

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT

Superintendent, Tom DeKeyser, Director of Finance & Operations, Denise Kerrigan, MS/HS Principal, Jill Henry, and Elementary Lead Teacher and Literacy Coach, Heidi Roy-Borland, Director of Student Services, Melissa Heuker, and Athletic Director, Brad McCormack

OTHERS PRESENT

Staff, parents and members of the community

CALL TO ORDER

At 7:00 p.m. by President John Meadows.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda as presented made by Mr. Meadows; supported by

Ayes -7; Nays -0, motion carried

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None

STUDENT COUNCIL

Student Council Representative, Samantha Ogden shared that members will meet next week to discuss plans for Staff Appreciation and the Spring Fling celebration week.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS** 

None

**CONSENT ITEMS** 

Motion to approve the minutes from the March 22, 2021 Board of Education Regular Meeting and the March 22, 2021 closed session was made by Mrs. Schwennesen; supported by Mr. Henry.

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

Motion to approve fund transfer of \$438,965 in payments from Accounts Payable; further to approve the transfer of \$414,574 from Accounts Payable to cover the payrolls of March 15, 2021, and March 31, 2021 made by Mrs. Schwennesen; supported by Mr. Henry.

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

Reaffirm Instructional Delivery

Motion to approve the April Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan Reconfirmation Report was made by Mr. Meadows; supported by Mrs. Kritzman.

Superintendent DeKeyser updated the Board, sharing the student attendance rate was mid to upper 90%. He added WLPS will continue to follow the original plan offering in-person instruction for all students and parents who selected the option and the district will only engage in remote learning as needed.

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

**NEW BUSINESS** 

Lawn Maintenance Contract

Motion to award the bid for Lawn Maintenance Services to K & M Landscaping and Lawn Care, low bidder, and to allow the superintendent to enter into an agreement

for the 2021 season with option to renew per contract was made by Mr. Cole; supported by Mr. Henry.

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

### WISD Board Election and Resolution to Consider

Motion to consider a resolution to designate an electoral representative to serve on the 2021 electoral body responsible for electing members of the Washtenaw Intermediate School District Board of Education made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mrs. Kritzman.

Superintendent DeKeyser shared that there will be a resolution presented at the May 17, 2021 regular meeting for the board to designate a delegate to serve on the 2021 electoral body to a elect member to the WISD Board of Education. Mr. Cole volunteered to be the delegate and Mrs. Kritzman volunteered to be the alternate representative.

Roll call vote: Mr. Henry – yes, Mrs. Kritzman – yes, Mrs. McCully – yes, Mr. Meadows – yes, Mrs. Schwennesen – yes, Mr. Zolenski – yes, Mr. Cole – yes Ayes -7; Nays -0, motion carried 7 - 0

WISD Contracted Services Agreement

Motion to approve the Washtenaw Intermediate School District Contracted Services Agreement for Early Literacy Coaching for the 2020-2021 school year was made by Mr. Meadows; supported by Mr. Cole.

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

Financial Report

Director of Finance & Operations, Denise Kerrigan, updated the Board with information regarding the March 31, 2021 financial report.

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. DeKeyser shared the following:

- 1) COVID-19 vaccine update Athletic Director, Brad McCormack shared the once per week testing plan of all the spring athletes as required by Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.
- 2) State testing update PSAT/SAT was completed in grades 8 11. The state will require M-Step testing to continue this year. Testing will begin next week.
- Summer School A summer school plan has been submitted to the State to receive a grant to allow recovery credits at middle/high school and additional learning at the elementary.

#### OTHER INFORMATION

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Community Recreation Coordinator, Craig Benedict and the retirement of District Media Center Tech, Pam Blount. Mr. Meadows, on behalf of the Board, thanked Mrs. Blount for her years of service and wished her well on her retirement.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next Executive Committee Meeting will be held on Monday, May 3, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

The next Finance Committee Meeting will be held on Monday, May 10, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Monday, May 17, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Media Center.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None

#### **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

Mrs. Kritzman announced Varsity Quiz Bowl will compete at the National Tournament over the weekend of April 23, 2021.

Mr. Henry shared Whitmore Lake will host the track meet scheduled for Monday, May 17, 2021.

## ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:42 p.m. made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mr. Meadows.

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

Lisa C. McCully, Secretary, Board of Education

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