



Whitmore Lake Public Schools
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Organizational/Regular Meeting Minutes
January 17, 2022 – 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, and Director of Finance & Operations, Denise Kerrigan

OTHERS PRESENT

Staff, parents and members of the community

CALL TO ORDER

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda as presented made by Mr. Meadows; supported by Mrs. Schwennesen.
Ayes – 7; Nays – 0, motion carried

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

In recognition of Board Appreciation Month, Patti Kobeck and Carolyn Otterman presented Board members with a gift and thanked them for their service to the community on behalf of the WLEA.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Trustee Meadows, called for nominations for the position of President for the 2022 calendar year.

Mrs. Kritzman nominated John Meadows for President of the Board; Mr. Meadows then inquired if there were any additional nominations for President.

Motion to close nominations and cast a vote for the nomination of John Meadows as President of the Board through December 2022 was made by Mrs. Schwennesen; supported by Mr. Zolenski
Ayes – 7; Nays – 0, motion carried 7 – 0

Mr. Meadows accepted the position as President of the Board and called for nominations for Vice President, Secretary, and Treasure of the Board.

Motion to close nominations and nominate Michelle Kritzman as Vice President of the Board through December 2022 was made by Mrs. Schwennesen; supported by Mr. Cole.
Ayes – 7; Nays – 0, motion carried 7 – 0

Motion to close nominations and nominate Lisa McCully as Secretary of the Board through December 2022 was made by Mrs. Schwennesen; supported by Mr. Henry.
Ayes – 7; Nays – 0, motion carried 7 – 0

Motion to close nominations and nominate Laura Schwennesen as Treasurer of the Board through December 2022 was made by Mr. Cole; supported by Mr. Henry.
Ayes – 7; Nays – 0, motion carried 7 – 0

STUDENT COUNCIL

Student Council Representative, Jamie Meadows shared some of the festivities planned during Snowcoming week, which begins January 31, 2022.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion to approve the minutes from the December 13, 2021 Board of Education Regular Meeting and the December 13, 2021 closed sessions was made by Mrs. Schwennesen; supported by Mr. Cole.
Ayes – 7; Nays – 0, motion carried 7 – 0

Motion to approve fund transfer of \$315,179 in payments from Accounts Payable; further to approve the transfer of \$464,342 from Accounts Payable to cover the payrolls of December 15, 2021, and December 31, 2021 made by Mrs. Schwennesen; supported by Mr. Cole

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

NEW BUSINESS

Financial Report

Director of Finance & Operations, Denise Kerrigan, updated the Board with information regarding the December 31, 2021 financial report. She then answered all board member questions regarding Community Recreation and Food Service.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Superintendent DeKeyser shared the following:

- 1) Recognized and thanked Board members for their service and dedication to WLPS and the community.
- 2) Facility update - Kingscott architects, engineers, and construction managers were onsite today to view the elementary and high school buildings. During the visit they spoke with staff, reviewed drawings and gathered detailed information to help in prioritizing building improvements. Areas discussed included elementary lockers, carpeting, furniture, boilers, high school lighting, pool roof top unit, theater seating and lighting, etc.
- 3) Property sale update – the title company moving slower than expected. Closing pushed to January 24, 2022.
- 4) Montessori update – continue talks with GLTW board members business plan, working together on staffing, job descriptions, and contracts.
- 5) ETS Policy – Emergency Temporary Standard for employees regarding COVID-19. The February agenda will include an on/off ETS policy for approval as the courts, along with OSHA/MIOSHA, figure out the details of the requirements.
- 6) Security update – working with county, administration will be participating in threat assessment training to better prepare staff with threat assessment. Plan to have additional ALICE training with staff.

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, February 14, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Media Center

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

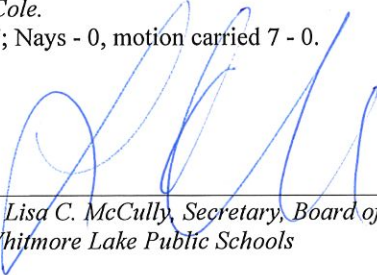
Mrs. Kritzman announced that the Project Graduation fundraising Euchre tournament scheduled for this weekend has been postponed to March 19, 2022.

Mrs. Schwennesen shared she attended the Northfield Township public forum regarding the parks and thought the designs were nice, but is curious how it will be maintained.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:52 p.m. made by Mr. Meadows; supported by Mr. Cole.

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



Lisa C. McCully, Secretary, Board of Education
Whitmore Lake Public Schools

2/14/2022

Date