



Whitmore Lake Public Schools
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting Minutes
June 27, 2022 – High School Media Center – 6:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

John Meadows (*President*), Laura Schwennesen (*Treasurer*), Lisa McCully (*Secretary*), Lee Cole (*Trustee*), and Bob Henry (*Trustee*)

MEMBERS ABSENT

Michelle Kritzman and Frank Zolenski

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT

Director of Finance & Operations, Denise Kerrigan, Elementary Principal, Heidi Roy-Borland, and Student Services Director, Melissa Heuker

OTHERS PRESENT

Staff, parents and members of the community

CALL TO ORDER

At 6:00 p.m. by President John Meadows.

APPROVAL OF AGENDGA

Motion to approve revised agenda as presented was made by Mr. Meadows; supported by Mr. Cole.

Ayes – 5; Nays – 0, motion carried

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mrs. Schwennesen reported the Executive Committee met on June 23 2022. Topics included replacement of retired staff, and tax review of Headlee override. She also shared the Committee would recommend looking into a proposal to the November 2022 ballot.

Board members engaged into a discussion regarding an Operating Millage Renewal Proposal on the November 8, 2022 ballot. Mr. Henry explained the difference between a renewal on the Headlee override tax and a new proposal. He also shared this is a non-homestead tax and would not affect the average homeowner. Mrs. Kerrigan shared a renewal would allow four years at the current levy. Mr. Meadows inquired what the different levy percentages would look like.

Mr. Henry suggested to present two proposals regarding the operating millage for discussion at the July 18, 2022 Board of Education Meeting.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion to approve the minutes from the June 13, 2022 Board of Education Regular Meeting made by Mrs. Schwennesen; supported by Mr. Cole.

Ayes – 5; Nays – 0, motion carried 5 – 0

OLD BUSINESS

Eagle Scout Gabe Semrau presented his design of an outdoor theater that will include a chalkboard on the backside. He shared his next step is to request volunteers to help with the two day build and install at the elementary. The tentative begin date is August 21, 2022. He also shared he was able to raise over \$5000 in donations, exceeding his original goal of \$2000.

NEW BUSINESS

*2021-2022 Final Budget Proposal
and Resolution*

Motion to approve the 2021-2022 Final Budget Summary as presented was made by Mrs. Schwennesen; supported by Mr. Cole.

Mrs. Kerrigan updated the Board on the final budget proposal. She noted the total General Fund balance of 9.2% could increase during the audit, as revenue and final expenses are received. Mrs. Kerrigan then reviewed the budget summaries for Community Recreation Fund, Food Service Fund, Sinking Fund and Student Activity Funds.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Henry – yes, Mrs. McCully – yes, Mr. Meadows – yes, Mrs. Schwennesen – yes, Mr. Cole – yes

Ayes – 5; Nays – 0, motion carried 5 – 0

2022-2023 Budget Proposal
and Resolution

Motion to approve the 2022-2023 Original Budget Summary as presented was made by Mrs. Schwennesen; supported by Mr. Henry.

Director of Finance & Operations, Denise Kerrigan reviewed the proposed 2022-2023 budget recommendations. She noted the increase in revenue under Kids Club, Tuition Preschool is because of the GLTW acquisition.

Roll Call Vote: Mrs. McCully – yes, Mr. Meadows – yes, Mrs. Schwennesen – yes, Mr. Cole – yes, Mr. Henry – yes
Ayes – 5; Nays – 0, motion carried 5 – 0

Personnel

Motion to approve the hire of Ryan Page as a full time MS/HS Teacher at Level 1 on the WLEA BA salary scale with a hire date of June 23, 2022 and a start date of August 24, 2022 was made by Mr. Meadows; supported by Mr. Cole.
Ayes – 5; Nays – 0, motion carried 5 – 0

Mr. Meadows welcomed Ryan to the Whitmore Lake Team.

Office Personnel Negotiations

Motion to approve the Letter of Agreement between Whitmore Lake Public Schools and the Whitmore Lake Office Personnel Association, MEA/NEA effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 was made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mr. Cole.
Ayes – 5; Nays – 0, motion carried 5 – 0

Academic Achievement

Board members reviewed the 2021-2022 School Year Goal Report regarding the Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan. Director of Student Services, Melissa Heuker then answered all Board member questions.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Superintendent DeKeyser was unable to attend and will update the Board at the July 18, 2022 meeting.

OTHER INFORMATION

The Board acknowledged the acceptance of Emily Kroll and Daiva Lukasiewicz for the Montessori Preschool Assistant Teacher positions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Monday, July 18, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Administration Office, Superintendent Conference Room.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Mr. Meadows announced the Athletic Association will be holding their annual Golf Outing on August 13, 2022.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:00 p.m. made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mrs. Schwennesen.
Ayes - 5; Nays - 0, motion carried 5 - 0.



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

7/18/2022

Date