



**Whitmore Lake Public Schools
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting Minutes**

August 15, 2022 – Administration Office Conference Room – 6:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

John Meadows (*President*), Michelle Kritzman (*Vice President*), Lee Cole (*Trustee*), Bob Henry (*Trustee*), and Frank Zolenski (*Trustee*)

MEMBERS ABSENT

Laura Schwennesen (*Treasurer*), and Lisa McCully (*Secretary*)

Board President, John Meadows announced Mrs. Kritzman will be the acting Board Secretary this evening.

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT

Superintendent, Tom DeKeyser, Director of Finance & Operations, Denise Kerrigan, MS/HS Principal, Jill Henry, 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 agenda as presented was made by Mr. Meadows; supported by Mr. Henry.

Ayes – 5; Nays – 0, motion carried

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion to approve the minutes from the July 18, 2022 Board of Education Regular Meeting made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mr. Cole.

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

Motion to approve the fund transfer of \$401,001 in payments from Accounts Payable as per attachment 2; further, to approve the transfer of \$396,548 from Accounts Payable to cover the payrolls of July 15, 2022 and July 29, 2022.

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

OLD BUSINESS

Operating Millage Proposal

Motion to approve the resolution authorizing the submission of the revised ballot language for the November Operating Millage Proposal as prepared by Thrun Law Firm was made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mrs. Kritzman.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Meadows – yes, Mr. Zolenski – yes, Mr. Cole – yes, Mr. Henry – yes, Mrs. Kritzman – yes

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

NEW BUSINESS

Personnel

Motion to approve the hire of Derek Zuidema as a full time Elementary STEM Teacher at Level 7 on the WLEA BA salary scale, and

to approve the hire of Emily Branigan as a full time Elementary Special Education Teacher at Level 3 on the WLEA BA salary scale, and

to approve the hire of Erin Podgorski as a full time First Grade Elementary Teacher at Level 8 on the WLEA BA salary scale, and

to approve the hire of Jallene Eckert as a full time Second Grade Elementary Teacher at Level 3 on the WLEA MA salary scale with a start date of August 24, 2022, and

to approve the hire of Ian Nifoussi as a full time Montessori Elementary Teacher at Level 5 on the WLEA MA salary scale with a start date of August 22, 2022 was made by Mr. Meadows; supported by Mr. Cole.
Ayes – 5; Nays – 0, motion carried

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Superintendent DeKeyser shared the following;

- 1) Facilities update - Kingscott and Clark – continue discussions regarding projects and repairs needed for district. Approved high school drainage ditch repair at south end of drive. Also approved GeoTran Consultants to identify requirements to repair road at an estimated cost of \$7,600.
- 2) Enrollment, class sizes, and staffing updates for the 2022-2023 school year.

OTHER INFORMATION

Personnel

The board acknowledged the resignations of High School Special Education Teacher, Tara Prieskorn (Muchow), High School Paraprofessional, Jenna Peloso, English Language Tutor, Mary Murphy, and WISD School Psychologist, Susan Willacker-Brown. The board also acknowledged hiring of LaNanda Cook as Head Start Paraprofessional, Tamara Booth and Lauren Foresman as GLTW Preschool Assistant Teachers, Jezreel Gesinski and Delaney Peters as MS/HS Paraprofessionals and Amber Stuart as Elementary Behavior Specialist.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Monday, September 19, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Media Center.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

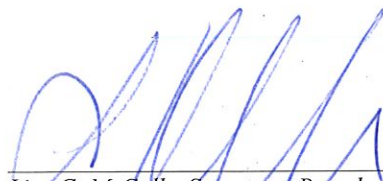
Mrs. Kritzman shared she enjoyed the production of Peter Pan performed by members of the Community Theater in the high school theater this past weekend.

Mr. Meadows gave kudos to Athletic Director, Brad McCormack and the Athletic Association for hosting another great golf outing event.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 6:25 p.m. made by Mr. Meadows; supported by Mr. Cole.

Ayes - 5; Nays - 0, motion carried 5 - 0.



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

9/19/2022

Date