



Whitmore Lake Public Schools

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting Minutes

July 17, 2023 – Main Street Campus Administration Office – 6:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

MEMBERS ABSENT

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, and members of the community

CALL TO ORDER

At 6:00 p.m. by President Michelle Kritzman.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda as presented made by Mrs. Kritzman; supported by Mr. Henry.

Ayes – 7; Nays – 0, motion carried

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion to approve the minutes from the June 27, 2023 Board of Education Regular Meeting was made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mr. Cole

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

Motion to approve fund transfer of \$1,007,748 in payments from Accounts Payable; further to approve the transfer of \$622,321 from Accounts Payable to cover the payrolls of June 15, 2023, and June 30, 2023 was made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mr. Cole

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of Legal Counsel

Motion to retain the legal firms of Miller Johnson, and Thrun Law Firm as legal counsel for the Whitmore Lake Public School District for the 2023-2024 school year was made by Mrs. Kritzman; supported by Mr. Cole.

Ayes – 7; Nays – 0, motion carried

School Bond Loan Fund Resolution

Motion to approve the School Bond Qualification and Loan Program Resolution for the 2023-2024 school year was made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mrs. Schwennesen

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

Head Start COLA Grant

Motion to approve the Head Start Grant Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) increase for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year was made by Mrs. Kritzman; supported by Mr. Henry.

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

Personnel

Motion to approve the hire of Madison Fisher as a full time Elementary Special Education Teacher at Level 1 on the WLEA BA salary scale with a hire date of June 26, 2023 and a start date of August 23, 2023 was made by Mr. Meadows; supported by Mrs. Schwennesen.

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

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent DeKeyser shared the following:

- 1) Enrollment and staffing updates for the 2023-24 school year, summer programs at GLTW, updates on boiler work at the Main Street Campus, working with architects to prepare bid for bleacher replacement in MS/HS Theater, state budget increases to at Risk Funding and free meals for all Michigan Students, and road repair at Jennings Road facility.

OTHER INFORMATION

Personnel

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Elementary Teacher, Sarah Roberts, and the hiring of Carrie Harrison as part time Bus Driver and Sub-Custodian.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Monday, August 21, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Main Street Campus, Administration Office Conference Room.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Mr. Cole shared that Northfield Township Parks and Recreation recently received a grant from Washtenaw County to use toward the new park.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 6:23 p.m. made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mr. Cole.

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



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

8/21/2023
Date