



**Whitmore Lake Public Schools  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Organizational/Regular Meeting Minutes  
January 11, 2016 – High School Media Center – 7:00 p.m.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Ken Dignan (*President*), Lisa McCully (*Vice President*), Rita LaForest (*Secretary*), Bob Henry (*Treasurer*), Lynn Slagle (*Trustee*), and Michelle Kritzman (*Trustee*)

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

**ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT**

Superintendent, Tom DeKeyser, and Elementary Principal and ECC Director, Sue Wanamaker

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Staff, Parents and members of the community

**CALL TO ORDER**

At 7:00 p.m. by President Ken Dignan.

**ORGANIZATIONAL  
MEETING PROCEDURES**

*Motion to approve Superintendent DeKeyser as the temporary chairperson was made by Mr. Dignan; supported by Mrs. Slagle. Ayes – 6; Nays – 0, motion carried*

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

None

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Superintendent DeKeyser called for nomination for the position of President.

Nomination for Ken Dignan as President of the Board made by Mrs. Slagle; supported by Mr. Henry.

Ayes – 6; Nays – 0

Ken Dignan was elected President of the Board through December 2016.

Motion to nominate Lisa McCully as Vice-President of the Board through December 2016 was made by Mrs. Slagle; supported by Mr. Dignan.

Ayes – 6; Nays – 0

Motion to nominate Bob Henry as Treasurer of the Board through December 2016 was made by Mrs. LaForest; supported by Mr. Dignan.

Ayes – 6; Nays – 0

Motion to nominate Rita LaForest as Secretary of the Board through December 2016 was made by Mrs. Slagle; supported by Mrs. McCully  
Ayes – 6; Nays – 0

## STUDENT COUNCIL

Student Council Representative, Taylor Beloskur, shared with the board they are voting tomorrow on a Snowcoming theme. One idea is to have a Sadie Hawkins dance in the hallway.

## CONSENT ITEMS

*Motion to approve the minutes from the December 14, 2015 Board of Education Regular and Closed session meeting, and the December 14, 2015 Finance Committee meeting was made by Mr. Dignan; supported by Mr. Henry.  
Ayes – 6; Nays – 0, motion carried*

## OLD BUSINESS

### *Cyber Academy*

*Motion to approve contract between Whitmore Lake Public Schools and Livingston Classical Cyber Academy dated for July 1, 2016 was made by Mrs. Slagle; supported by Mrs. McCully.*

Mr. Dignan suggested that section 2.4 of the contract be amended to read five (5) business days instead of three (3). He also suggested including in the contract that Whitmore Lake Public Schools would have the right of first refusal regarding shared service, financial services, rental of facilities or transportation prior to entering into contract with other school districts or other persons, including municipal and county governments.

*Motion to amend the contract dated July 1, 2016 between Whitmore Lake Public Schools and Livingston Classical Cyber Academy regarding shared service, financial services, rental of facilities or transportation that WLPS would have right of first refusal made by Mr. Dignan; supported by Mrs. McCully. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Dignan – yes, Mrs. McCully – yes Mr. Henry – Yes, Mrs. Kritzman – yes, Mrs. LaForest – yes, Mrs. Slagle – yes  
Ayes – 6; Nays – 0, motion to amend carried 6 - 0*

*Motion to approve contract Roll Call Vote: Mrs. McCully – yes, Mr. Henry – yes, Mrs. Kritzman – yes, Mrs. LaForest – yes, Mrs. Slagle – yes, Mr. Dignan – yes  
Ayes – 6; Nays – 0, motion carried 6 – 0*

### *WISD Special Education Millage Proposal*

*Motion to approve Washtenaw ISD Special Education Millage resolution made Mrs. Slagle; supported by Mr. Henry. Roll call vote required: Mr. Henry – yes, Mrs. Kritzman – yes, Mrs. LaForest – yes, Mrs. Slagle – yes, Mr. Dignan – yes, Mrs. McCully – yes*

## NEW BUSINESS

### *Designation of Depositories*

*Motion to designate Comerica, PNC Bank, MBIA Asset Management Group and J.P. Morgan Chase MILAF as depository of funds for General Funds, 2002 Bond Refunding, 2003 Debt Fund, 2004 Bond Refunding, 2005 Bond Refunding, 2006 Bond Refunding, 2007 Bond Refunding, 2012 Bond Refunding, 2015 Series A and Series B Bond Refunding, Recreation Millage, and student activity made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mrs. LaForest.  
Ayes – 6; Nays – 0, motion carried 6 - 0*

### *Check Signature Authorizations*

*Motion to authorize the creation and use of the appropriate electronic signatures as listed for the various school district funds made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mrs. McCully.  
Ayes – 6; Nays – 0, motion carried 6 - 0*

### *Electronic Transfer Officer*

*Motion to appoint Denise Kerrigan, Business Manager, as the Electronic Transfer Officer (ETO) pursuant to policy 6144 made by Mrs. McCully; supported by Mr. Henry.  
Ayes – 6; Nays – 0, motion carried 6 - 0.*

### *Authorization of Investments*

*Motion to authorize the superintendent or designee, in consultation with the school district's Board of Education, to invest available monies at the best rate of interest as provided by statute made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mrs. LaForest.  
Ayes – 6; Nays – 0, motion carried 6 - 0.*

### *Designation of Posting Meetings*

*Motion to designate the superintendent and/or his designee as responsible for posting public notice of meetings made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mrs. McCully.  
Ayes – 6; Nays – 0, motion carried 6 - 0.*

### *Designation of Official Newspaper*

*Motion to designate the Washtenaw Legal News as the official newspaper for legal purposes for 2016 made by Mrs. McCully; supported by Mrs. LaForest.  
Ayes – 6; Nays – 0, motion carried 6 - 0.*

### *Fee for Board Books*

*Motion to approve a charge of \$0.10 per page for individuals who request a printed Board packet made by Mrs. McCully; supported by Mrs. LaForest.  
Ayes – 6; Nays – 0, motion carried 6 - 0*

## SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Superintendent, Tom DeKeyser shared the following:

- 1) Due to the resignation of Board of Education member, Jeff Vega, applications will be available starting tomorrow for anyone interested in being appointed to the Board. He also thanked Mr. Vega for his service and support for this year.

- 2) M-Step results – We just received the results on Jan. 7. Communication of the results will be sent out to parents by next week.
- 3) Next Monday, January 18, 2016, we are scheduled for professional development; the HS will be preparing for the new SAT test and the ES will be working on Focus School planning.
- 4) We have been working with DTE on moving a power line which would require us to move an easement of 10 to 12 feet.

**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, January 25, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the high school media center.**

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Richard Streetman thanked the board on behalf of Livingston Classical Cyber Academy and is looking forward to the joint-adventure.

**BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

Mrs. McCully shared they had a Marketing Committee Meeting earlier this evening and discussed different ideas on the potential of having an open house and who to invite.

Mrs. LaForest shared there will be another Marketing Committee Meeting on January, 25, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the high school counseling office conference room. She also shared there will be a finance committee meeting on February 8, 2016.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn the Organizational-Regular Meeting at 7:35 p.m. made by Mrs. Slagle; supported by Mrs. McCully.  
Ayes - 6; Nays- 0, motion carried 6-0.



*Rita A. LaForest, Secretary, Board of Education  
Whitmore Lake Public Schools*

*1-25-17*  
Date