



Whitmore Lake Public Schools
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting Minutes
July 22, 2019 – WLPS Administration Office – 6:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

MEMBERS ABSENT

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT

Superintendent, Tom DeKeyser, Director of Finance & Operations, Denise Kerrigan, and Elementary Principal and ECC Director, Sue Wanamaker

OTHERS PRESENT

Staff, parents and members of the community

CALL TO ORDER

At 6:01 p.m. by President Laura Schwennesen.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion to approve the minutes from the June 24, 2019 Board of Education Regular Meeting was made by Mr. Dignan; supported by Mr. Henry.
Ayes – 7; Nays – 0, motion carried 7 – 0

Motion to approve fund transfer of \$349,899 in payments from Accounts Payable; further, to approve the transfer of \$477,572 from Accounts Payable to cover the payrolls of June 14, 2019 and June 28, 2019 made by Mr. Dignan; supported by Mr. Henry.
Ayes – 7; Nays – 0, motion carried 7 – 0

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of Legal Counsel

Motion to retain the legal firms of Clark Hill PLC, and Thrun Law Firm as legal counsel for the Whitmore Lake Public School District for the 2019-2020 school year made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mr. Dignan.
Ayes – 7; Nays – 0, motion carried 7 – 0

School Bond Loan Fund Resolution

Motion to approve the School Bond Qualification and Loan Program Resolution for the 2019-2020 school year was made by Mr. Dignan; supported by Mr. Meadows. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Dignan – yes, Mr. Henry – yes, Mrs. Kritzman – yes, Mrs. McCully – yes, Mr. Meadows – yes, Mrs. Schwennesen – yes, Mr. Cole – yes
Ayes – 7; Nays – 0, motion carried 7 - 0

Administration Contracts

Motion to approve the renewal contracts of Director of Finance and Operations, Denise Kerrigan; Elementary Principal/ECC Director, Sue Wanamaker; Director of Student Services, Melissa Heuker and Director of Instruction, Jill Henry made by Mrs. Schwennesen; supported by Mr. Dignan.

Mr. Henry excused himself from voting due to a conflict of interest with the position of Director of Instruction.

Ayes – 6; Nays – 0, motion carried 6 - 0

Paraprofessional Negotiations

Motion to approve the ratification of the contract agreement between Whitmore Lake Public Schools and the Whitmore Lake Paraprofessional/Food Service Association, MEA/NEA made by Mr. Cole; supported by Mrs. Schwennesen.

Superintendent DeKeyser shared this is a two year agreement with a step increase in year two of the contract.

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

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Mr. DeKeyser shared the following:

1. Update on open staff positions and interviews are being conducted.
2. Buildings are being cleaned, technology is being installed, the new fiber link for technology has been repaired, and the new servers are next.
3. The Community Recreation Millage Proposal information was posted on the WLPS website and a question and answer session was done.
4. Sinking Funds – Summer projects include the new servers being installed in all the buildings and the replacement of two pumps for the water reservoirs at the middle school to help prevent flooding.

OTHER INFORMATION

The Board acknowledged the items of other information.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Elementary School Open House will be held on Wednesday, August 21, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

The Middle/High School Parent Night will be held on Wednesday, August 21, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Monday, August 26, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Media Center.

There will be another Board of Education Regular Meeting on Monday, September 23, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Media Center.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None

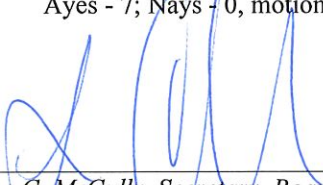
BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

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

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



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

8/26/2019
Date