

## Whitmore Lake Public Schools BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting Minutes

November 11, 2024 – High School Barb Huang Library – 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Michelle Kritzman (President), Frank Zolenski (Vice President) (arrived at 7:03 p.m.), John

Meadows (Treasurer), Lisa McCully (Secretary), Lee Cole (Trustee), and Laura

Schwennesen (Trustee)

MEMBERS ABSENT

Bob Henry (Trustee)

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT

Superintendent, Tom DeKeyser, Director of Finance & Operations, Denise Kerrigan, MS/HS Principal, Jill Henry, Elementary Principal, Heidi Roy-Borland, Student Services Director, Melissa Heuker, and Communications and Human Resources Director, Maria Carter-Ewald

OTHERS PRESENT

Staff, parents, and members of the community

CALL TO ORDER

At 7:01 p.m. by President Michelle Kritzman.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

Schwennesen.

Ayes -5; Nays -0, motion carried

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Parent and Community member, Greg Ebel expressed his thoughts and shared general

feedback regarding the recent ballot proposals.

STUDENT COUNCIL

Student Council President, Landen Livingston shared students worked hard helping community members during the Annual Rake N' Run held today. He also shared they have begun planning for Snowcoming spirit week.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion to approve the minutes from the October 21, 2024 Board of Education Regular Meeting was made by Mrs. Kritzman; supported by Mr. Cole.

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

Motion to approve fund transfer of \$677,258 in payments from Accounts Payable; further to approve the transfer of \$647,826 from Accounts Payable to cover the payrolls of October 15, 2024, and October 31, 2024 was made by Mrs. Kritzman; supported by Mr. Cole.

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

**NEW BUSINESS** 

2025 Schedule of Meetings

Motion to approve the proposed 2025 Board of Education schedule of meetings as presented was made by Mr. Meadows; supported by Mrs. Schwennesen.

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

Transportation Compensation

Motion to approve the proposed 2024-2025 Transportation wage scale effective with the first pay in December 2024 as presented was made by Mrs. Kritzman; supported by Mr. Cole.

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

Financial Report

Director of Finance & Operations, Denise Kerrigan, updated the Board with information regarding the October 31, 2024 financial report. She then answered all board member questions.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent DeKeyser shared the following:

- 1) Recognized Veterans and thanked them for their service.
- 2) Athletic Director, Brad McCormack will update the Board on the fall sports at the December meeting.

3) Facility update - requested another proposal for an Energy Bond, have also requested another company to come and do an energy assessment for the district.

OTHER INFORMATION

The board acknowledged the hiring of Marcos Salazar as Lifeguard Under-18, Yolaine Civil as Swim Instructor, Daniela Paute as GLTW Montessori Lead Teacher, and Kayla Schweitzer as MS/HS Custodian.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education will meet on Monday, December 16, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Barb Huang Library.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None

**BOARD MEMBER REPORTS** 

Mr. Meadows gave a shout out to the Cross Country Coaches for their dedication working with the students throughout year.

Mrs. Schwennesen announced that Kiwanis will sale Christmas trees at the Community Center beginning November 30, 2024. Proceeds will go toward the July 4, 2025 parade.

Mrs. Kritzman shared that the Education Foundation met last week and was able to award \$15,000 in grants this year. She also announced tickets will go on sale November 1st for the Mom Prom fundraiser scheduled on February 1, 2025.

12/16/2024 Date

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:38 p.m. was made by Mrs. Schwennesen; supported by Mrs. Kritzman.

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

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