Whiteside School District #115 Board of Education Regular Meeting Tuesday, March 21, 2023 7:00 pm Whiteside Middle School

Administrators: Mark Heuring, Monica Laurent, Jaime Cotto, Nathan Rakers, Kim Bossler

Visitors: as noted on the sign-in sheet

1.0) Call to order & Pledge of Allegiance

President Rod Euchner called the meeting to order at 7:11 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Euchner apologized to attendees for the late start due to the committee meeting running long.

2.0) Roll Call of Members

Board Members present: Jeremy Bochantin, Angela Dickerson, Matt Erkman, Rod Euchner, Sean McKee, and Christine Mitchell-Endsley.

Members absent: Jeff Tindall

3.0) Accept / Amend Consent Agenda

Motion by Erkman, second by Dickerson to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

4.0) Public Comment

President Rod Euchner welcomed the visitors and the members from the WFT.

There were no Public Comments.

5.0) Consent Items

5.1) Approval of Minutes from Regular Meeting February 16, 2023

Motion by Dickerson, second by Mitchell-Endsley to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting February 16, 2023. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

5.2) Approval of Minutes from the Closed Session February 16, 2023

Motion by Bochantin, second by Erkman to approve the minutes from the Closed Session February 16, 2023. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

5.3) Approval of Treasurers Report

Motion by Erkman, second by Bochantin to approve the Treasurers Report as presented. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

5.4) Approval of Claims / Bills Payable

Motion by Erkman, second by Bochantin to approve the claims / bills payable as presented. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

6.0) Board Secretary Correspondence

There was no Board Secretary Correspondence.

7.0) Administrative Reports

7.1) Elementary Report – Mr. Rakers reviewed his written report.

In addition, Mrs. Bossler updated the Board regarding an SEL Grant that she is working on for next school year. The grant will go to support students and staff.

- 7.2) Middle School Report Mrs. Laurent reviewed his written report.
- 7.3) District Superintendent Report Mr. Heuring reviewed his written report.

8.0) Committee Reports

8.1) Building and Grounds

No update

8.2) Policy Committee

No update

9.0) New Business

9.1) Final Reading of Press 110

Motion by Dickerson, second by Bochantin to approve the Final Reading of Press 110. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

9.2) May Regular BOE Meeting Date

Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Bochantin to set the May Regular Board of Education Meeting date as May 23, 2023. Ayes – 6, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

9.3) Special BOE Meeting to Seat New Members

Motion by Bochantin, second by Erkman to set the Special Board of Education meeting to seat new members as April 25, 2023 at 6:30 pm. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

9.4) OG Voucher Approval

Motion by Bochantin, second by Erkman to purchase 52 OG Vouchers for reading strategy professional development for a total cost of \$66,300. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

9.5) Smart Board Replacement

Tabled

9.6) Approval of E-Rate Bid/Company

Motion by Erkman, second by Bochantin to approve CompuType's E-Rate proposal for the upcoming school year. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

9.7) Statement of Economic Interest Reminder

Mr. Heuring reminded Board members that their Economic Interest statement must be completed by May 1, 2023.

10.0) Closed Session

Motion by Mitchell-Endsley, second by Dickerson to enter closed session for the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of a specific employee(s), discussion of district legal matters / pending litigation and student discipline matters. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Board went into closed session at 7:47 pm.

Motion by Bochantin, second by Erkman to return to open session. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Board returned to open session at 8:32 pm.

11.0) Action Items Following Closed Session

11.1) Approval of Tuition Reimbursements

Motion by Bochantin, second by Erkman to approve the tuition reimbursement request for Sarah Cason. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

Move the previous roll for Nikki Stanford. Ayes – 6, Nays – 0. Motion carried

11.2) Employment of Social Work Intern

Motion by Erkman, second by Mitchell-Endsley to employ Grace Crawford as a social work intern at the Elementary School for the 2023-2024 school year only. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

11.3) Non-Renewal of Non-tenured Teacher (s)

Motion by Erkman, second by Bochantin for the resolution authorizing non-reemployment of full-time, non-tenured teacher(s), Abby Baltz, not in the last year of probationary service. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

11.4) District Resignations

Motion by Erkman, second by Mitchell-Endsley to accept the resignation of volleyball coach Allison Baldwin. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

11.5) Employment of District Employees

Motion by Bochantin, second by Dickerson to employ Jesse Massey as a middle school custodian. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

11.6) Performance Contractor Selection

Motion by Erkman, second by Bochantin to select GRP / Wegman as the district's performance contractor. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

11.7) District Retirements

Motion by Dickerson, second by Mitchell-Endsley to accept the retirement letter of Sheila Buch for the 2024-2025 school year. Roll Call: Bochantin – yes, Dickerson – yes, Erkman – yes, Euchner – yes, McKee – yes, Mitchell-Endsley – yes. Motion carried.

12.0) Adjournment

Having no further business motion by Erkman, second by Dickerson to adjourn. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:36 pm.

Rod Euchner, President

Karrda Falkenbury, Secretary