

Whiteside School District #115
Board of Education Meeting
December 14, 2017
7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by President Sean McKee, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members Present: Frank Bennett, Matt ERkman, Rod Euchner, Kia Gunter, Sean McKee, Terri McKee, and Ty Sterthman.

Members Absent: none

Administrators Present: Peggy Burke, Kevin Johnson, Monica Laurent, Nathan Rakers

Visitors indicated on sign-in sheet.

1.0) Minutes

- 1.1) Motion by Bennett, second by Sterthman, to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting held November 13, 2017. Ayes-7, Nays-0. Motion carried.

2.0) Business Management

- 2.1) Motion by Bennett, second by Erkman, that the Treasurer's Report be accepted as presented. Ayes-7, Nays-0. Motion carried.
- 2.2) Motion by Bennett, second by Sterthman, to approve board travel expense reimbursement requests. Roll call: Bennett-yes, Erkman-yes, Euchner-yes, Gunter-yes, T McKee-yes, Sterthman-yes, S McKee-yes. Motion carried.
- 2.3) Motion by Bennett, second by Erkman, that payment of claims be approved. Roll call: Bennett-yes, Erkman-yes, Euchner-yes, Gunter-yes, T McKee-yes, Sterthman-yes, S McKee-yes. Motion carried.
- 2.4) Motion by Bennett, second by Sterthman, to adopt the accompanying resolution to levy taxes for the lease of educational facilities or computer technology in the amount of \$38,500. Roll call: Bennett-yes, Erkman-yes, Euchner-yes, Gunter-yes, T McKee-yes, Sterthman-yes, S McKee-yes. Motion carried.
- 2.5) Motion by Bennett, second by Erkman, to adopt the accompanying resolution to levy taxes for the year 2017 and authorize the secretary to file the Certificate of Tax Levy with the St. Clair County Clerk. Discussion: Certificate of Levy will be filed at the court house tomorrow (Dec. 15). Roll call: Bennett-yes, Erkman-yes, Euchner-yes, Gunter-yes, T McKee-yes, Sterthman-yes, S McKee-yes. Motion carried.
- 2.6) Motion by Bennett, second by Sterthman, to accept the quote provided by Cigna for the renewal of employee health insurance, effective January 1, 2018. Roll call: Bennett-yes, Erkman-yes, Euchner-yes, Gunter-yes, T McKee-yes, Sterthman-yes, S McKee-yes. Motion carried.

3.0) Miscellaneous

- 3.1) Elementary Principal's Report - The Board reviewed the written report submitted by Mr. Rakers.
- 3.2) Middle School Principal's Report - The Board reviewed the written report submitted by Mrs. Laurent. Mrs. Laurent also reported on: NJHS Chicago learning trip, and the IJA presentations scheduled for 2nd semester.
- 3.3) Superintendent's Report - The Board reviewed the written report submitted by Mrs. Burke. Mrs. Burke also provided current homeroom enrollments and reported that suspensions to-date are down 50% from 2014-2015 and 2015-2016.

- 3.4) Updates from School Board Conference - Mr. Sterthman provided information on SOCS website design/management service. Mr. Erkman reported on the school safety workshop. Mr. Euchner reported on the plan implemented by Bourbonnais district to get to 1:1 technology over 3 years.
- 3.5) Public Comments - The President opened the floor for public comments. None were presented.
- 3.6) Motion by Bennett, second by Sterthman, go into closed session to discuss employment and compensation of personnel, review student discipline, and to review past closed meeting minutes. Roll call: Bennett-yes, Erkman-yes, Euchner-yes, Gunter-yes, T McKee-yes, Sterthman-yes, S McKee-yes. Motion carried.

The Board went into closed session at 8:15pm and returned to open session at 8:29pm.

- 3.7) Motion by Bennett, second by Erkman, to approve closed meeting minutes from November 13, 2017. Ayes-7, Nays-0. Motion carried.

4.0) Personnel

- 4.1) Motion by Bennett, second by Sterthman, to accept the resignation of Larry Williams as an instructional aide, effective December 15, 2017. Ayes-7, Nays-0. Motion carried.
- 4.2) Motion by Bennett, second by Euchner, to employ Amanda Cepicky as a PreKindergarten aide effective November 27, 2017. Discussion: Ms. Cepicky will fill the opening created by Mrs. Stauder's resignation. Roll call: Bennett-yes, Erkman-yes, Euchner-yes, Gunter-yes, T McKee-yes, Sterthman-yes, S McKee-yes. Motion carried.
- 4.3) Motion by Bennett, second by Sterthman, to approve the tuition reimbursement request submitted by Sarah Cason. Ayes-7, Nays-0. Motion carried.

- 5.0) Having no further business, motion by Bennett, second by Erkman, to adjourn. Ayes-7, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

Sean McKee, President

Karma Falkenbury, Secretary