

Whiteside School District #115
Board of Education
March 15, 2018
7:00 p.m.

Meeting was called to order by President Sean McKee.

Board members present: Frank Bennett, Rod Euchner, Kia Gunter, Sean McKee, Ty Sterthman

Members absent: Matt Erkman, Terri McKee

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 February 15, 2018. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

2.0) Business Management

- 2.1) Motion by Bennett, second by Sterthman, that the Treasurer's Report be accepted as presented. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.
- 2.2) Motion by Bennett, second by Sterthman, that payment of claims be approved.
Roll call: Bennett-yes, Euchner-yes, Gunter-yes, Sterthman-yes, S McKee-yes. Motion carried.
- 2.3) Student presentation - 3D printer request. After attending the "Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day" at SIUE, a group of the participants presented a proposal for the purchase of a 3D printer. The group received a commitment from PTC the the printer cost and is asking the board to help fund the supplies. They are forming an Engineering Club and Ecology Club that will utilize this technology.
- 2.4) Eagle Scout proposal - Graham Gunn, a Whiteside graduate, presented his Eagle Scout proposal. He would like to build, install, and stock a "Little Free Library" at both the elementary and middle school campuses. The library boxes would be accessible to the public. Graham proposed stocking the boxes by holding book drives at each school. Mrs. Stamm offered Graham the possibility of joining with WFT as they collect books to give out during the summer lunch program.
- 2.5) Jeremy Dobberstein of School Messenger presented a webinar about their website templates/hosting service.

3.0) District Business

- 3.1) Motion by Bennett, second by Euchner, to set graduation date for Thursday, May 24, 2018 at 7:00pm. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.
- 3.2) Motion by Bennett, second by Sterthman, to approve the initial school calendar for 2018-2019. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.
- 3.3) Second Reading -
Policy 5:125 Personnel - Personal Technology & Social Media
Policy 5:130 Personnel - Responsibilities Concerning Internal Information

4.0) Miscellaneous

- 4.1) Elementary Principal's Report - The Board reviewed the written report provided by Mr. Rakers.
- 4.2) Middle School Principal's Report - The Board reviewed the written report provided by Mrs. Laurent.
- 4.3) Superintendent's Report - The Board reviewed the written report provided by Mrs. Burke.
- 4.4) Public Comments - The President called for public comments. None were presented.

- 4.5) Motion by Bennett, second by Sterthman, go into closed meeting to discuss employment and compensation of personnel, review student discipline, and to review past closed meeting minutes. Roll call: Bennett-yes, Euchner-yes, Gunter-yes, Sterthman-yes, S McKee-yes. Motion carried.

The Board went into closed session at 8:42pm and returned to open session at 9:02pm, no action taken.

- 4.6) Motion by Bennett, second by Sterthman, to approve closed meeting minutes of February 15, 2018. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.
- 4.7) Motion by Bennett, second by Sterthman, to approve the Eagle Scout project proposed by Graham Gunn. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

5.0) Personnel

- 5.1) Discussion - Superintendent Search Process. TABLED
- 5.2) Discussion - Anticipated certified positions for 2019-2020. Will post openings in February/March 2019.
- 5.3) Discussion - Media/Public Relations position. Ms. Gunter suggested the Board have PR/Media training through IASB. Mr. McKee will contact IASB.
- 5.4) Discussion - School Social Work needs for 2018-2019. The Board concurred with hiring two school social workers in lieu of utilizing social work interns to fill the vacancy created by Jean Hasenstab's retirement.
- 5.5) Motion by Bennett, second by Euchner, to accept the resignation of Amy Danridge as an early childhood aide. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.
- 5.6) Motion by Bennett, second by Sterthman, to employ Katie Wilke as a school social worker for the 2018-2019 school year. Roll call: Bennett-yes, Euchner-yes, Gunter-yes, Sterthman-yes, S McKee-yes. Motion carried.
- 5.7) Motion by Bennett, second by Sterthman, to approve the accompanying resolution for the non-reemployment of non-tenured, certified staff, and notice to Amy Dehler. Roll call: Bennett-yes, Euchner-yes, Gunter-yes, Sterthman-yes, S McKee-yes. Motion carried.
- 5.8) Motion by Bennett, second by Euchner, to approve job-sharing proposal requested by Mrs. Tiffany Flint and Mrs. Alison Coates. Roll call: Bennett-yes, Euchner-yes, Gunter-yes, Sterthman-yes, S McKee-yes. Motion carried.
- 5.9) Motion by Bennett, second by Sterthman, to approve the tuition reimbursement request submitted by Ben Thessing. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

- 6.0) Having no further business, motion by Bennett, second by Sterthman, to adjourn the meeting. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:11pm.

Sean McKee, President

Karma Falkenbury, Secretary