

**WHITESIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 115
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING**

DATE: Thursday, April 23, 2014

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

PLACE: Whiteside Middle School

MEMBERS

PRESENT: Charles McKee
Sean McKee
Scott Martin
Kim Rist

MEMBERS

ABSENT: Diane Allen
Frank Bennett
Tim Mueller

STAFF: Peggy Burke, Superintendent
Ron Trelow, Principal
Nathan Rakers, Principal
Kevin Johnson, Assistant Principal
Monica Laurent, Assistant Principal
Andrea Weymouth, Finance Manager

VISITORS: Sign in sheet included in official record.

The Board Agenda was emailed to the Board members on Monday, April 14, 2014.

APPROVE MINUTES MARCH 2014

A motion was made by C. McKee and seconded by S. McKee that the Board of Education approves the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 20, 2014. Ayes – 4; Nays – 0, Motion carried.

BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by C. McKee and seconded by S. McKee that the Board of Education approves the treasurer's report as presented. Ayes – 4; Nays – 0, Motion carried.

APPROVE PAYMENT OF CLAIMS SUBMITTED

A motion was made by C. McKee and seconded by S. McKee that the Board of Education having had the opportunity to review the claims, since they were emailed prior to the meeting, approves the payment of claims as submitted. President called for a roll call vote, C. McKee Aye, S. McKee Aye, K. Rist Aye, and S. Martin Aye. Motion carried.

BOND HEARING

A public hearing was held concerning the intent of the Board of Education to sell \$600,000 School Fire Prevention and Safety Bonds. The bonds are to be used for the purpose of funding Health/Life Safety projects specified in Elementary School HLS Amendment #29 for roof replacement (1996 addition) and HVAC controls; Middle School HLS Amendment #4 for server room air conditioner. Hearing closed at 7:08 P.M.

DISTRICT BUSINESS

FEE-FOR SERVICE CONTRACT

A motion was made by C. McKee and seconded by S. McKee that the Board of Education renews the contract with Brecht's Database Solutions for our fee-for-service claims. We also use Brecht's for our IEP system. The two modules are linked to better track claimable IEP services. Brecht's charges a 4% fee based on our net reimbursements from HFS. President called for a roll call vote, C. McKee Aye, S. McKee Aye, K. Rist Aye, and S. Martin Aye. Motion carried.

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY SERVICES CONTRACT 2014-2015

A motion was made by C. McKee and seconded by S. McKee that the Board of Education renews the contract with TheraKids to provide Occupational Therapy services for the 2014-2015 school year. The rates are the same as 2013-2014. President called for a roll call vote, S. McKee Aye, K. Rist Aye, C. McKee Aye, and S. Martin Aye. Motion carried.

FUNDRAISER APPROVAL – ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

A motion was made by C. McKee and seconded by S. McKee that the Board of Education approves the fundraiser request for the elementary building to hold a hat day to benefit Joshua's Great Things Foundation. Joshua's Great Things Foundation honors Joshua Brown, a former Whiteside student who passed away last summer of a brain tumor. The foundation's purpose is to help fund children's cancer research and support families of children with cancer. Ayes – 4; Nays – 0, Motion carried.

FUNDRAISER APPROVAL – MIDDLE SCHOOL

A motion was made by C. McKee and seconded by S. McKee that the Board of Education approves the fundraiser request for the middle school Girls on Track Program to sponsor a hat day to benefit Eden's Army. Eden's Army is a foundation that assists families with children in the Cardiac Intensive Care Unit at St. Louis Children's Hospital. The foundation was established in memory of Eden Neville, infant daughter of WS middle school teacher Adrienne Neville. Ayes – 4; Nays – 0, Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The Board reviewed the written reports submitted by Mr. Rakers and Mr. Trelow.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Board reviewed the written report submitted by Mrs. Burke.

CLOSED MEETING

A motion was made by C. McKee and seconded by S. McKee for the Board of Education to go into a closed session to discuss employment and compensation of personnel, to conduct a student disciplinary hearing, and to review past closed meeting minutes. President called for a roll call vote, K. Rist Aye, C. McKee Aye, S. McKee Aye, and S. Martin Aye. Motion carried.

Board went into closed session at 7:30 P.M. with Mrs. Burke, Mr. Trelow, Mr. Rakers, Mrs. Laurent, and Mr. Johnson.

The meeting was reopened to the public at 8:25 P.M.

A motion was made by C. McKee and seconded by S. McKee for the Board of Education to approve the closed meeting minutes from March 20, 2014. Ayes – 4, Nays – 0, Motion carried.

PERSONNEL

NON EMPLOYMENT OF AIDES 2014-2015

A motion was made by C. McKee and seconded by S. McKee that the Board of Education to not reemploy the following instructional and individual student aides for the 2014-2015 school year: Noah Willis, Tiffany Bernaix, Valerie Belt, Mary Beth Krebs, Kara Taylor, and Kelly Boyer. Employment with the district will conclude on June 2, 2014. This reduction in aides is due to the uncertainty of need at this time for the 2014-2015 school year. President called for a roll call vote, K. Rist Aye, C. McKee Aye, S. McKee Aye, and S. Martin Aye. Motion carried.

EMPLOY SUMMER WORKERS 2014

A motion was made by C. McKee and seconded by S. McKee that the Board of Education to employ temporary summer workers as presented. President called for a roll call vote, C. McKee Aye, S. McKee Aye, K. Rist Aye, and S. Martin Aye. Motion carried.

GIRLS' TRACK STIPEND

A motion was made by C. McKee and seconded by S. McKee that the Board of Education re-assigns a portion of the girls' track stipend to Sue Schleipman-Burke. Mrs. Penrod recruited Mrs. Schleipman-Burke to assist with Girls Track and has requested that \$600 of the Girls' Track stipend be re-assigned to Mrs. Schleipman-Burke. President called for a roll call vote, C. McKee Aye, S. McKee Aye, K. Rist Aye, and S. Martin Aye. Motion carried.

TUITION REIMBURSEMENT

A motion was made by C. McKee and seconded by S. McKee that the Board of Education approves the tuition reimbursement request submitted by Ashley Brown, Harry Greene, Debbie Penrod, and Chris Reno. Ayes – 4; Nays – 0, Motion carried.

READING AIDE RESIGNATION

A motion was made by C. McKee and seconded by S. McKee that the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Bettina Collins as a reading aide, effective April 11, 2014. Ayes – 4; Nays – 0, Motion carried.

READING AIDE RESIGNATION

A motion was made by C. McKee and seconded by S. McKee that the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Amy Bruyneel as a reading aide, effective April 11, 2014. Ayes – 4; Nays – 0, Motion carried.

READING AIDE RETIREMENT

A motion was made by C. McKee and seconded by S. McKee that the Board of Education accepts the retirement notification of Mary Hise as a reading aide, effective at the close of the 2013-2014 school year. Ayes – 4; Nays – 0, Motion carried.

INSTRUCTIONAL AIDE RESIGNATION

A motion was made by C. McKee and seconded by S. McKee that the Board of Education accepts the retirement notification of Becky Sexton, as an instructional aide, effective at the close of the 2013-2014 school year. Ayes – 4; Nays – 0, Motion carried.

BOARD MEMBER RESIGNATION

Mr. Charles McKee will be resigning from the Board of Education as he will be moving out of district. His last meeting will be May 15, 2014.

MEETING ADJOURNED

A motion was made by C. McKee and seconded by S. McKee to adjourn this Board of Education meeting. Ayes – 4, Nays – 0. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

Scott Martin

President

Andréa Weymouth Board Secretary