

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

**DATE:** Thursday, January 17, 2013

**TIME:** 7:00 P.M.

**PLACE:** Whiteside Middle School

**MEMBERS**

**PRESENT:** Frank Bennett  
Charles McKee  
Sean McKee  
Kelly West

**MEMBERS**

**ABSENT:** Diane Allen  
Scott Martin  
Tim Mueller

**STAFF:** Peggy Burke, Superintendent  
Ron Trelow, Principal  
Nathan Rakers, Principal  
Kevin Johnson, 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, January 14, 2013.

**APPROVE MINUTES DECEMBER 20, 2012**

A motion was made by F. Bennett and seconded by C. McKee that the Board of Education approves the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 20, 2012. Ayes – 4; Nays – 0, Motion carried.

**BUSINESS MANAGEMENT**

**APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT**

A motion was made by F. Bennett and seconded by C. 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 F. Bennett and seconded by C. 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, F. Bennett Aye, C. McKee Aye, S. McKee Aye, and K. West Aye. Motion carried.

### **BANKING PROPOSAL**

The Board discussed a proposal submitted by TheBank of Edwardsville regarding the district's banking services. Regions is working on a proposal to try to match the offer. The Board tabled any action until next month.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Budget – All St. Clair County Tax money has been received. The district is currently \$335,000 past due from the state, mostly Special Education and Transportation funds.
- B. Buildings & Grounds – The proposal from Cape Electric discussed last month had an even greater rebate than earlier reported. Security is still under review. Ron passed around a quote from PASS Security to have electronic entry put on the 8<sup>th</sup> grade doors. A second quote for the CCTV System was also submitted for review.
- C. Discipline – suspension report attached.
- D. Public Comments- No comments.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

#### **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

The Board reviewed the written reports submitted by Mr. Rakers and Mr. Trelow. Mr. Rakers expressed the locked doors have been a positive addition to his office. The office staff is able to identify and have kids ready by the time a parent gets to the office. Mr. Trelow asked the Board to review graduation dates, so diplomas and the photographer can be arranged. The 2012-13 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation is tentatively set for May 17, 2013.

#### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

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

### **CLOSED MEETING**

A motion was made by F. Bennett and seconded by C. McKee for the Board of Education to go into a closed session to discuss pending litigation and to review past closed meeting minutes. President called for a roll call vote, C. McKee Aye, S. McKee Aye, K. West Aye, and F. Bennett Aye. Motion carried.

Board went into a closed session at 7:50 P.M. with Mrs. Burke, Mr. Trelow, Mr. Rakers, and Mr. Johnson.

The meeting was reopened to the public at 8:00 P.M.

A motion was made by F. Bennett and seconded C. McKee for the Board of Education to approve the closed meeting minutes from December 20, 2012. Ayes – 4, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

## **PERSONNEL**

A motion was made by F. Bennett and seconded by C. McKee for the Board of Education to assign track stipends as follows: Boys Track – Todd Harpstrite, Girls Track – Steve Barr, and Track Assistant – Scott Barr. President called for a roll call vote, F. Bennett Aye, C. McKee Aye, S. McKee Aye, and K. West Aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by F. Bennett and seconded by C. McKee for the Board of Education to approve maternity leave of absence for Melissa Grindstaff as requested. Ayes – 4, Nays – 0 Motion carried.

A motion was made by F. Bennett and seconded by C. McKee for the Board of Education to approve Family Medical Leave of Absence for Mary Gomez as requested. Ayes – 4, Nays – 0 Motion carried.

## **TUITION REIMBURSEMENT**

A motion was made by F. Bennett and seconded by C. McKee for the Board of Education to approve the tuition reimbursement request submitted by Allison Frank, Kate Geisen, Alexandra Owens, Nathan Rakers, and Connie Zalesky. Mr. Raker's tuition reimbursement is not calculated in the teachers' contract total amount. President called for a roll call vote, F. Bennett Aye, C. McKee Aye, S. McKee Aye, and K. West Aye. Motion carried.

## **MEETING ADJOURNED**

A motion was made by F. Bennett and seconded by C. McKee that the Board of Education adjourns their meeting. Ayes - 4; Nays – 0, Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 P.M.

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Kelly Martin                      Vice - President

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Andréa Weymouth    Board Secretary