

SCHOOL CITY OF WHITING

Special School Board Meeting Minutes

April 20, 2016 – 5:30 PM

Board President Ms. Murzyn called the regular meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. with the following board members present: Kathy Murzyn, Michael Toth, Jerry Moynihan, Anthony Borgo and Aimee Legg.

Also Present: Superintendent of Schools Dr. Sandra Martinez, Cindy Scroggins, Assistant Superintendent, Director of Finance, Kim Pusateri, Joseph Curosh, School Board Attorney and Board Recording Secretary, Jennifer Halliar were also present.

Approval to Apply for the Common School Technology Loan – Dr. Martinez requested approval to apply for the Common School Technology Loan in the amount of \$109,386.00. Mr. Toth made a motion to approve the recommendation. Mr. Moynihan seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously by the Board.

Approval of Registration Dates – Dr. Martinez requested approval to set the district-wide summer registration dates as follows:

<u>Tuesday, August 2, 2016</u>	<u>Thursday, August 4, 2016</u>
Students last names A-L	Students last names M-Z
1:00 PM to 3:45 PM	1:00 PM to 3:45 PM
5:00 PM to 6:45 PM	5:00 PM to 6:45 PM

Mr. Moynihan made a motion to approve the registration dates as noted. Ms. Legg seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously by the Board.

First Reading of Revised School Board Policy No. 5840 – Dr. Martinez recommended approval of the first reading of School Board Policy Nol. 5840 (Criminal Gangs and Criminal Gang Activity – Students). Dr. Martinez said she would request the Boards' approval for a second reading and adoption at the next board meeting.

Approval of Walk of Fame Project – Dr. Martinez said that the A.D. Tyler Tampier has requested to have a fund raiser for a walk of fame at the athletic facility. The fundraiser would benefit the students in the athletic department. Dr. Martinez said that Director of Finance, Kim Pusateri, would oversee the financial aspect of the project and work with the extracurricular treasurer and A.D. at the high school. Mr. Borgo made a motion to approve the recommendation. Ms. Legg seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously by the Board.

Approval to Amend Acceptance of Donation - Dr. Martinez requested approval for the board to accept a donation as amended from Whiting Lions Club for Nathan Hale Family Math Night. Instead of \$100.00 (amount that was accepted by the Board on March 30, 2016); the amended amount is \$50.00 for Nathan Hale Family Math Night. Mr. Toth made a motion to approve the amended donation. Mr. Moynihan seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously by the Board.

Acceptance of Donations – Dr. Martinez recommended approval to accept the following donations, which the Board took in aggregate:

- \$50.00 from Tim Kompier for Buckley Wall of Fame;
- \$100.00 from Al Koch for Buckley Wall of Fame;
- \$100.00 from Baran Funeral Home for Safe Prom;
- \$80.00 from the Class of 2016 for Safe Prom;
- \$80.00 from Councilman Tom Michniewicz for Safe Prom;
- \$80.00 from Asst. Supt. Cindy Scroggins for Safe Prom;
- \$80.00 from Superintendent Sandra Martinez for Safe Prom;
- \$160.00 from Gloria Gollnick-Cote & Board Member
Aimee Legg for Safe Prom;
- \$80.00 from John & Stephanie Strabavy for Safe Prom;
- \$180.00 from Judge Pat Likens for Safe Prom;
- \$500.00 from Mayor Joseph Stahura for Safe Prom;
- \$100.00 from WHS Principal Julie Fregien for Safe Prom;
- \$80.00 from Board President Kathy Murzyn for Safe Prom;
- \$80.00 from the Roosevelt Club for Safe Prom;
- \$80.00 from Shared Resource Solutions for Safe Prom;
- \$80.00 from Athletic Director Tyler Tampier for Safe Prom;
- \$160.00 from Whiting City Council for Safe Prom;
- \$80.00 from Whiting Lions Club for Safe Prom;
- \$80.00 from Whiting/Robertsdale Chamber for Safe Prom;
- \$80.00 from Chucker LLC for Safe Prom;
- \$160.00 from the High School Booster Club for Safe Prom;
- \$80.00 (and pizza and pop) from Whiting Elks for Safe Prom;

Mr. Toth made a motion to accept the donations as presented. Ms. Legg seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously by the Board.

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Acceptance of Board Member Resignation – Dr. Martinez made a recommendation to accept the resignation of School Board Vice President, Mr. Michael J. Toth from the Board of School Trustees effective June 27, 2016 immediately following the vote on the prior meeting minutes at the regular board meeting of June 27, 2016. Board President Ms. Murzyn said she was in receipt of Mr. Toth's resignation letter. Mr. Borgo made a motion to accept the resignation of Mr. Toth. Mr. Moynihan seconded the motion, which was passed by a vote of 4-0 as Mr. Toth abstained.

Nominations for School Board Member – Board President Ms. Murzyn opened the discussion for nominations from the Board for School Board Member to complete the term of Mr. Toth from June 27, 2016 through December 31, 2016. Mr. Borgo nominated Ms. Nicole Davenport. Mr. Moynihan seconded the nomination. Board President Ms. Murzyn asked for any other nominations. Hearing none, Mr. Borgo made a motion to appoint Ms. Nicole Davenport as member of the Whiting Board of School Trustees. Mr. Moynihan seconded the motion, which was passed by a vote of 4-0 as Mr. Toth abstained.

Board President Ms. Murzyn said that Ms. Davenport would take Oath of Office and be seated at the June 27, 2016 regular school board meeting.

Acceptance of Retirement Request – Dr. Martinez recommended approval to accept the retirement request of Ms. Vanessa O'Drobinak as Instructional Assistant for Nathan Hale Elementary effective the end of the 2015/2016 school year. Mr. Moynihan made a motion to accept the retirement request. Mr. Toth seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously by the Board.

Approval to Post Instructional Assistant Vacancies – Dr. Martinez requested approval to post vacancy announcements for instructional assistants for the 2016/2017 school year. Mr. Toth made a motion to approve the recommendation. Ms. Legg seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously by the Board.

Approval of Appointments – Dr. Martinez recommended approval of the following appointments, which the Board took in aggregate:

Mr. Scott Allen for the Gifted & Talented Summer Improv Program for 2 hours per day, 5 days per week July 18, 2016 to July 22, 2016 for a total of 10 hours;

Mr. Patrick Pecher for Gifted & Talented Music Camp effective May 30, 2016 for a total of 40 hours;

Ms. Elizabeth Evans for WMS Summer Shakespeare Program for 4 hours per day, 5 days per week effective July 11, 2016;

Ms. Kristie Greer as Substitute Caller for the District for 1 hour per day, 5 days per week at \$15.00 per hour; effective April 16, 2016 until the remainder of the 2015/2016 school year (a period of 29 days);

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Ms. Selene Giron, Counselor for an additional 300 hours for summer school and scheduling;

Mr. James Simon, WHS Teacher for the Summer School Program at 7.5 hours per day, 5 days per week; for 19 days at \$52.98 per hour, effective June 5, 2016;

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Mr. Dennis Scott as WHS Lab Supervisor for the Summer School Program for 7.5 hours per day, 5 days per week for 23 days, at the normal hourly rate effective June 1, 2016;

Mr. Borgo made a motion to approve the appointments as noted. Mr. Moynihan seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously by the Board.

Discussion: Buckley Wall of Fame Program - Dr. Martinez said that in 2005, the Board of School Trustees established the Buckley Wall of Fame Program to spotlight Whiting High School alumni who excelled or over-achieved in areas of academics, athletics, civil accomplishments and success in their contribution to society to be featured in a "hall of fame" at the high school building. Dr. Martinez asked the Board for their comments concerning the program. After full discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to revisit the topic at a special meeting during the summer (date to be determined).

Adjournment – There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:03 P.M. on a motion made by Mr. Borgo and seconded by Mr. Turpin, which was passed unanimously by the Board.

Secretary