

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

****Regular meeting taking place at the WJHS Cafeteria on December 21, 2020**

MEMBERS

Position	Present	Absent
Presiding Officer	Matt Seman	
	Charles Waugh	
	Teresa Benner	
	Kurt Ratliff	
	Corey Conklin	Arrived after 6:35pm
	Lorri Bandy	
Superintendent	Tip Reedy	
Building Principals		
Board of Education Secretary	Tom Ray	

Call to Order / Roll Call / Pledge of Allegiance / Approval of Agenda

The meeting was called to order by President, Matt Seman. Roll call was taken by the Recording Secretary. Those in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Kurt Ratliff and seconded by Charlie Waugh that the agenda be approved as read

Discussion: None

Motion carried

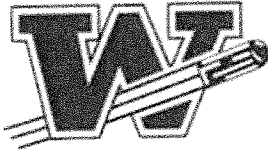
Public Comment & Recognition of Employees, Faculty Spotlight

Byron Painter – South County Publications

Keith Spaniol, Bill Spaniol, Mike and Susie McCormick, and Brad Buzzard – members of the public

Keith Spaniol addressed the Board about the decision to not have students take finals.

Bill Spaniol also addressed the Board.



Informational Items and Dates

Mr. Reedy presented a list of upcoming important dates to the Board.

- o December 21 6:30 PM 2020 Levy Hearing
- o December 21 6:30PM Regular BOE Meeting
- o Dec 21- Jan 4 Christmas Break
- o January 5 – 11 Full Remote Learning
- o January 12 Hybrid Learning Begins
- o January 18 MLK Day – No School
- o January 19 6:30 Regular BOE Meeting
- o February 3 Hybrid Learning Plan Evaluation
- o February 15 Presidents Day – No School
- o February 16 6:30 Regular BOE Meeting

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Teresa Benner and seconded by Kurt Ratliff to approve the consent agenda containing items a, b, c, d, and e: Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of November 16, 2020, Approval of the Bills in the amount of \$668,123.60 - including reimbursement of the revolving fund of \$226.04, Approval of the Treasurer's Report, Approval of the WCUSD15 Lunch Report, and Approval of Superintendent's Acceptance of Resignations:

- o None
- o On roll call the following members answered aye:
 - Matt Seman Tom Ray
 - Lorri Bandy Teresa Benner
 - Charles Waugh Kurt Ratliff
 - Corey Conklin
- o On roll call the following members were absent:

Discussion: None

Motion carried

Information Items

A. Principal's Reports – Full Reports Submitted to the Board

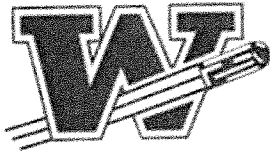
B. Superintendent's Report

1. Financial Update

The November 30, 2020 Williamsville Index shows a \$62,568,157.00 balance in ALL FUNDS and a \$6,872,762.57 balance in OPERATING FUNDS.

We have received the December CSFST revenue of \$95,893.58. We budgeted \$950,000 in CSFST revenue for FY21.

FY21 Fund Balance Update: The November ALL FUND revenues were \$756,364.45 and the November ALL FUND expenses were \$4,149,595.13. We made Alt Revenue Bonds 2019 & 2020 and Facility Bond payments. The November ED FUND expenses were \$837,929.14.



As of November 30, we have received 88.09% of our FY21 ALL FUND estimated budgeted revenue and expended 49.84% of our FY21 ALL FUND estimated budgeted expenses.
As of November 30, we have received 47.13% of our FY21 ED FUND estimated budgeted revenue and expended 40.10% of our FY21 ED FUND estimated budgeted expenses.
COVID-19 Substitute Expenses: As of December 15, we have seen a \$2743.56 increase compared to this time last fiscal year.

	19-20	20-21
Elem	\$16297.52	\$16353.72
JH	\$10562.50	\$12168.92
HS	\$7432.63	\$8504.60
Total	\$34292.65	\$37027.24 (Difference = \$2734.56)

2. Facility Update

Updates for storage and the district office were shown and explained. Alternate bids could increase the budget, but currently everything is on budget. Timelines were also discussed.

3. Return to School January 2020-21

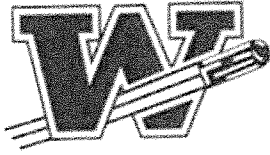
January 4-12, 2021

- January 4: Teacher/Staff In-Service Day: No Students with Staff normal working hours
- January 5-8: Open Campus-Teachers may bring students in as needed
- January 11: Full Remote Learning Mondays' Begin
- January 12: Hybrid AA/BB Begins
- It is important for the district to start the second semester in Full Remote Learning January 5-11.
- This will allow the district to "re-set" from the holiday breaks and gives us the best opportunity for "healthy" students and staff.
- Once the January Full Remote Learning ends, the second semester In-Person Learning plan would be to start with the Hybrid In-Person Learning Plan (Mondays Full Remote with AA/BB in-person attendance Tuesday-Friday).
- Parents and students will have the option to choose Full Remote Learning through February 3.
- We will evaluate plan "changes" February 3 and again on March 5.
- The Hybrid In-Person Learning Plan will begin January 12.
- Our goal, with administration and staff input, is to phase-in students over time and increase in-person student attendance through February 3
- We will evaluate our plan weekly with the WEA and administrative team.

4. Other

a. Bus Lease RFP

Mr. Reedy recommends the Board approve the 3-year (2021-2024) school bus lease with Central State Bus, Inc. We only had one transportation company submit a formal bid. The bus lease has increased 8% due to increased steel costs and 2020 diesel engine emission requirements. The annual lease payment is comparable to our 2015-2018 bus lease payments. We will have a very safe transportation system with buses that meet the needs of our communities.



A question was asked about snow days and how they will be treated going forward as remote learning would be an option. Mr. Reedy noted that he plans to treat them as they were before, stating that kids need to have a snow day every now and again. He also noted travel safety concerns for students and staff, and that any snow days would be made up at the end of the year.

b. WCUSD15 Board of Education Elections April 6, 2021

Corey Conklin has a contract on a house that is not in the school district and will be resigning from the Board. He does not yet have a closing date. Kurt, Tom and Charlie have filed for re-election. Teresa has not. No one else has filed to run.

- 5. PRESS POLICIES (First Reading):** 2:20-E; 3:40; 3:40-E; 4:10; 4:55; 4:60-AP1; 4:80; 4:90; 4:120-AP; 4:150; 4:175; 4:175-AP 1; 5:30; 5:30-AP2; 5:185-AP; 5:190; 5:270; 6:15; 6:20; 6:40; 6:235-E5; 6:280; 6:300; 6:300-E2; 6:300-E3; 6:310; 6:310-E; 6:315; 6:320; 6:340; 7:100; 7:140; 7:140-E; 7:300; 7:340-AP1; 7:340-AP1-E1; 7:340-AP-E2; 7:340-AP2-E1

Action Items

A motion was made by Tom Ray and seconded by Lorri Bandy to approve the WCUSD#15 2020 Levy payable for the 2021-2022 school year (FY22) and to approve the resolution to levy for local property tax as assessed in 2020 to be paid in 2021 in the amount of \$8,339,540.00 without bonds and \$10,322,140.00 including bonds.

Discussion: none

- On roll call the following members answered aye:

Matt Seman	Tom Ray
Lorri Bandy	Teresa Benner
Charles Waugh	Kurt Ratliff
Corey Conklin	
- On roll call the following members were absent:

Motion carried

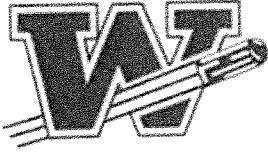
A motion was made by Teresa Benner and seconded by Kurt Ratliff to approve the WCUSD#15 Bus Lease 2021-2024 with Central State Bus Sales, Inc.

Discussion: none

- On roll call the following members answered aye:

Matt Seman	Tom Ray
Lorri Bandy	Teresa Benner
Charles Waugh	Kurt Ratliff
Corey Conklin	
- On roll call the following members were absent:

Motion carried



Executive Session

A motion was made by Lorri Bandy and seconded by Charlie Waugh to enter into Executive session for the purpose of: Under 5 ILCS 120/2(C) 1 - The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of a specific employee. 5 ILCS 120/2(C)(1) - The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of a specific employee.

5 ILCS 120/2(C)(3) – The selection of a person to fill a public office as defined in the Open Meetings Act, including a vacancy in a public office, and when the public body is given the power to appoint under law or ordinance.

Discussion: None

- On roll call the following members answered aye:

Matt Seman	Tom Ray
Lorri Bandy	Charles Waugh
Kurt Ratliff	Corey Conklin
Teresa Benner	

- On roll call the following members were absent:

Motion carried

The Board entered executive session at 8:03pm and returned to open session at 8:27pm.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Corey Conklin and seconded by Teresa Benner to adjourn the meeting.

Discussion: None

Motion carried.

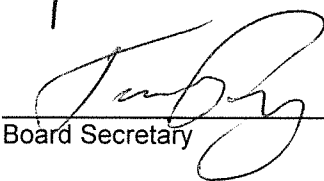
Meeting adjourned at 8:27pm

Board Approval

Dated this 21st day of December 2020



Board President



Board Secretary

**Submitted by Jennifer Brennan, Recording Secretary and Director of Human Resources