



## MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

**\*\*Regular meeting taking place at the WJHS Cafeteria on January 19, 2021**

### MEMBERS

Position	Present	Absent
<b>Presiding Officer</b>	Matt Seman	
		Charles Waugh
	Teresa Benner	
	Kurt Ratliff	
	Corey Conklin	Arrived at 6:38pm
	Lorri Bandy	
<b>Superintendent</b>	Tip Reedy	
<b>Building Principals</b>		
<b>Board of Education Secretary</b>	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 Lorri Bandy that the agenda be approved as amended:

- *Consent Agenda, Item A - Added the December 21<sup>st</sup> Levy Hearing meeting minutes*
- *Removed Closed Session*

Discussion: None

Motion carried

### Public Comment & Recognition of Employees, Faculty Spotlight

Byron Painter – South County Publications  
Mike Gudwien and Stacey Henderson - teachers  
Craig Burge – member of the public



### Informational Items and Dates

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

- January 18 MLK Day – No School
- January 19 6:30 Regular BOE Meeting
- February 3 Hybrid Learning Plan Evaluation
- February 12 Student Attendance Day
- February 14 Valentine's Day
- February 15 Presidents Day – No School
- February 16 6:30 Regular BOE Meeting

### Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Tom Ray and seconded by Teresa Benner to approve the consent agenda containing items a, b, c, d, and e: Approval of the Levy Hearing Minutes, Regular Meeting Minutes, and Executive Session Meeting Minutes of December 21, 2020, Approval of the Bills in the amount of \$1,069,212.42 - including reimbursement of the revolving fund of \$5,874.29, Approval of the Treasurer's Report, Approval of the WCUSD15 Lunch Report, and Approval of Superintendent's Acceptance of Resignations:

- None
- On roll call the following members answered aye:

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

Charles Waugh	Corey Conklin
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Discussion: None

Motion carried

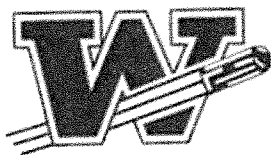
### Information Items

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

#### B. Superintendent's Report

##### 1. Financial Update

- The December 31, 2020 Williamsville Index shows a \$62,424,784.00 balance in ALL FUNDS and a \$6,894,946.09 balance in OPERATING FUNDS.
- We have not received the Sangamon CSFST payment yet. We budgeted \$950,000 in CSFST revenue for FY21.
- FY21 Fund Balance Update: The December ALL FUND revenues were \$1,128,279.71 and the December ALL FUND expenses were \$1,271,652.74. The December ED FUND expenses were \$812,132.39.
- As of December 31, we have received 89.63% of our FY21 ALL FUND estimated budgeted revenue and expended 55.83% of our FY21 ALL FUND estimated budgeted expenses.



- As of December 31, we have received 52.39% of our FY21 ED FUND estimated budgeted revenue and expended 47.40% of our FY21 ED FUND estimated budgeted expenses.
- Alternate Revenue Bond Tax Abatements Resolutions: We will have these two resolutions annually at each January board meeting to abate the levied taxes. Alternate Revenue Bonds are "double barrel" bonds. If the Board does not pass annual abatement resolutions, the bonds will be levied and increase the district's tax rate. The total amount abated for Series 2019 is \$375,300 and the total amount abated for Series 2020A is \$330,037. With a total 2019 & 2020A \$705,337. These annual bond payments are paid with the monthly CSFST revenue.
- ESSER II COVID-19 CARES Grant: We have been notified to anticipate \$315,000 in additional COVID-19 CARES Federal Funding. The application process has not opened yet. When it does, we will apply for this grant. We plan to use the revenue to reimburse the district FY21 budget for staff and substitute salaries, transportation, and potential summer school costs. For the original ESSER Grant I, we received \$80,000.

## **2. Facility Update**

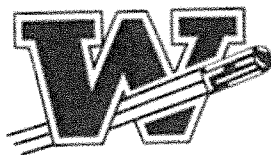
- BLDD & O'Shea Builders are working to finalize the design development plans. We still anticipate an early bid package posted in February with a Special BOE Meeting the first week of March.
- We are working on some value engineering of the facilities to maintain the proposed budget which may allow the district additional facility improvements.
- I anticipate final bids going out in late March with Board acceptance at the April board meeting.
- The construction timeline may be adjusted. We still anticipate the facility plan to be completed by August 2023.
- The Board, WCUSD#15 staff, and public is always invited to meet with Mr. Reedy to go over the facility plan.

## **3. Return to School Update**

- We are currently in our AA/BB Hybrid Plan
- Parents and students have the option to choose Full Remote Learning through February 3.
- We will evaluate plan "changes" February 3 and again on March 5.
- With administration and staff input, we will phase-in students weekly and increase in-person student attendance through February 3.
- We will evaluate our plan weekly with the WEA and administrative team.
- We currently have 11% of the SES students, 21% of the WJHS students, & 31% of the WHS students on Full Remote Learning Only.
- Our goal is to get to 4 Day In-Person attendance ASAP.

## **4. Other**

### **a. WCUSD15 Regular BOE Meeting Calendar 2021-2022**



- The BOE will need to have discussion regarding setting the dates for the 2021-2022 Regular BOE meeting calendar. In the past, the BOE has discussed moving the traditional third Monday meeting date to the third Wednesday due to district event conflicts. The BOE will approve the 2021-2022 Regular BOE meeting calendar at the Tuesday, February 16, 2020 BOE meeting.

The board would like to move the calendar to the third Wednesday of the month and give that a try.

Mentioned athletic information that went out – will be more information coming out about this as well. Not currently planning to allow community groups to use the facilities until we are allowed to use them for our students.

- 5. PRESS POLICIES (Second 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 Lorri Bandy and seconded by Tom Ray to approve the RESOLUTION abating the taxes heretofore levied for the year 2020 to pay debt service on the General Obligation School Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2019, of Community Unit School District Number 15, Sangamon, Logan and Menard Counties, Illinois.

Discussion: None

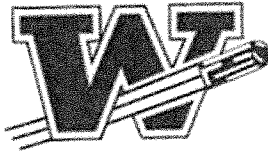
- On roll call the following members answered aye:  
Matt Seman                      Tom Ray  
Lorri Bandy                      Teresa Benner  
Corey Conklin                      Kurt Ratliff
- On roll call the following members were absent:  
Charles Waugh

Motion carried

A motion was made by Tom Ray and seconded by Kurt Ratliff to approve the RESOLUTION abating the taxes heretofore levied for the year 2020 to pay debt service on the General Obligation School Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2020A, of Community Unit School District Number 15, Sangamon, Logan and Menard Counties, Illinois.

Discussion: None

- On roll call the following members answered aye:  
Matt Seman                      Tom Ray  
Lorri Bandy                      Teresa Benner  
Corey Conklin                      Kurt Ratliff



- On roll call the following members were absent:  
Charles Waugh

Motion carried

A motion was made by Teresa Benner and seconded by Matt Seman to keep Executive Closed Session meeting minutes sealed January 2019-December 2019.

Discussion: None

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

Motion carried

A motion was made by Teresa Benner and seconded by Lorri Bandy to approve the destruction of Executive Closed Session meeting minutes recordings that are at least 18 months old and for which approved minutes of the closed meetings already exist in accordance to district policy 2:220

Discussion: None

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

Motion carried

A motion was made by Kurt Raltiff and seconded by Lorri Bandy to approve the additional WHS Family & Consumer Science Course (Introduction to Education) for 2020-2021.

Discussion: New class offering– geared toward those interested in going into teaching

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



Motion carried

A motion was made by Teresa Benner and seconded by Matt Seman to approve the following transfers, hires, and volunteers for the 2020-2021 school year.

- Kane Woods – Maternity Leave of Absence
- Michael Anderson – Long Term Substitute
- Alec Daykin – Military Leave of Absence

Discussion: None

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

Motion carried

### Adjournment

A motion was made by Kurt Ratliff and seconded by Tom Ray to adjourn the meeting.


Discussion: None

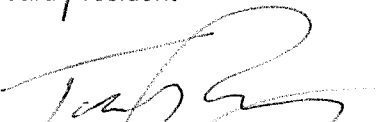
Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:26pm

### Board Approval

Dated this 19th day of January 2021

  
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Board President

  
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Board Secretary

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