



## MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

**\*\*Regular meeting taking place at the WJHS Cafeteria on February 16, 2021**

### MEMBERS

Position	Present	Absent
<b>Presiding Officer</b>	Matt Seman	
		Charles Waugh
		Teresa Benner
		Kurt Ratliff
	Corey Conklin	
	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 Lorri Bandy and seconded by Matt Seman that the agenda be approved as amended:

Discussion: Removed Jared's Keeper presentation from Public Comment

Motion carried

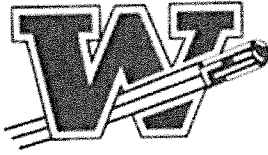
### Public Comment & Recognition of Employees, Faculty Spotlight

Byron Painter – South County Publications  
Mike Gudwien –Teacher and WEA President

### Informational Items and Dates

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

- o February 15            Presidents Day – No School
- o February 16            6:30 Regular BOE Meeting
- o February 24            Pre-Bid Opening 2:00 Unit Office



- o March 1 Special BOE Meeting Bid Approval 6:30 Unit Office
- o March 9 Pre-Bid Meeting 3:00 WHS Cafeteria
- o March 15 6:30 Regular BOE Meeting
- o April 6 BOE Elections
- o Mar 27-Apr 5 Spring Break No School
- o April 19 6:30 Regular BOE Meeting
- o May 17 6:30 Regular BOE Meeting
- o May 24 Tentative Last Day of Student Attendance

### Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Corey Conklin and seconded by Tom Ray to approve the consent agenda containing items a, b, c, d, e and f: Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 19, 2021, Approval of the Bills in the amount of \$827,913.24 - including reimbursement of the revolving fund of \$670.00, Approval of the Treasurer's Report, Approval of the WCUSD15 Lunch Report, Approval of the WCUSD15 Substitute List, 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 Corey Conklin
- o On roll call the following members were absent:
  - Kurt Ratliff Teresa Benner
  - Charles Waugh

Discussion: None

Motion carried

### Information Items

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

#### B. Superintendent's Report

##### 1. Financial Update

- The January 31, 2021 Williamsville Index shows a \$61,685,818.00 balance in ALL FUNDS and a \$6,688,808.43 balance in OPERATING FUNDS.
- The January 2021 CSFST revenue was \$90,955.69. We budgeted \$950,000 in CSFST revenue for FY21.
- FY21 Fund Balance Update: The January ALL FUND revenues were \$803,256.30 and the January ALL FUND expenses were \$1,542,221.74. The January ED FUND expenses were \$758,193.79.
- As of January 31, we have received 90.73% of our FY21 ALL FUND estimated budgeted revenue and expended 63.11% of our FY21 ALL FUND estimated budgeted expenses.
- As of January 31, we have received 57.37% of our FY21 ED FUND estimated budgeted revenue and expended 54.21% of our FY21 ED FUND estimated budgeted expenses.



- District HRA FY21: We plan to reimburse up to \$44,000 to employees. Employees had to pay \$1500 out of pocket to qualify for the local district HRA reimbursement. We budget \$60,000 annually for the local District HRA.
- Levy 2020 estimated tax rate is \$4.64. This is the same WCUSD#15 total tax rate as last year. Our bond rate is mirrored with a conservative 2% annual growth in district EAV. We have an estimated \$3,126,894 in assessed valuation of new property. As a PTELL (Tax Capped District), the Villages of Sherman and Williamsville's growth and new property are very important to the overall district tax rate.

State Budget: Mr. Reedy anticipates a flat state budget and flat EBF funding for next school year. I am concerned they could reduce school state payments because schools are receiving another round of COVID-CARES ESSERII Federal Funding (WCUSD#15 \$315,000). We will need to continue to tighten our belt and be fiscally responsible with future state funding, budgeting, and expenses

## **2. Facility Update**

- The early bid (fire, electrical, pre-cast walls) package is posted. We had a pre-bid meeting February 9. The early bid package submittals are due February 24, 2021 by 2:00pm. We will have a Special Board Meeting March 1, 2021 at 6:30pm in the Unit Office to consider accepting the early bid package.
- March 9, 2021 is the next pre-bid meeting for the entire bid package. Bid submittals are due by 2:00pm March 30, 2021. The Board will consider accepting the bids at the April 19, 2021 board meeting.
- The construction timeline may be adjusted on where they start. Tentative schedule is as follows:
  - Demolition/abatement of the 5<sup>th</sup> grade building & Unit Office June 2021
  - Unit/Tech Office renovations summer 2021
  - WHS inside and outside facility plans start summer 2021
  - WJHS 6<sup>th</sup> grade renovations summer 2022
  - SES PK & K wing renovations summer 2022
  - We still anticipate the facility plan to be completed by August 2023.
- The BOE, WCUSD#15 staff, and public is always invited to meet with me to go over the facility plan.

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

- We are currently in the 4 Day In-Person Learning Plan
- We are meeting weekly with the Administrative Team and WEA to evaluate the plan.
- Currently ISBE recommends schools offer a Full Remote Learning Option to students.
- Parents chose the option of Full Remote Learning through March 5, 2021.
- We have three groups of students
  - In-person attending 4 days per week
  - Full Remote Only students who are very successful with remote learning
  - Full Remote Only students who are not successful with remote learning.
- Discussion items with the Admin Team:
  - D/F-Non Participating Full Remote Students: Unless students have a doctor's note for a medically compromised situation, students who are failing classes in grades 5-12 will not have a Remote Only option and will be required to attend school in-person.



- Full Remote Choice: Parents notify by March 2, 2021 for Remote through Apr 16, 2021
- Full Remote Choice: Parents notify by Apr 13, 2021 for Remote through May 24, 2021
- Our goal would be to work towards 5 Day In-Person Learning. We will need to collaborate on how to balance teacher workloads with in-person learning and full remote learning students.
- Listed below are some mitigations I would like to see occur as we navigate towards 5 Day In-person Learning.
  - Region 3 COVID-19 data stays flat or decreases
  - Get to Phase 5 as a region or state
  - IDPH requires wearing masks during school day
  - IDPH & ISBE eliminates the 50 room capacity during the school day
  - IDPH implements 3ft contact tracing
  - IDPH implements no quarantine for 90 days after second vaccination for school personnel
  - IDPH allows healthy (asymptomatic) school personnel to negative test out of quarantine after 7 days, and we will local rapid test daily, days 8-14. (Staff & Students)
- WCUSD#15 Full Remote Students at this time
  - SES                    40/574 = 7%    \*3% less than December 2020
  - WJHS                76/484 = 16%   \*5% less than December 2020
  - WHS                 129/471 = 27% \*2% less than December 2020
  - WCUSD#15        245/1529 = 16%



WCUSD#15 COVID-19 Information Chart

NUMBER OF STAFF QUARANTINED PRESENTLY	1
NUMBER OF SYMPTOMATIC STAFF	0
NUMBER OF STAFF QUARANTINED IN TOTAL	122
NUMBER OF STUDENTS QUARANTINED PRESENTLY	27
NUMBER OF SYMPTOMATIC STUDENTS	6
NUMBER OF STUDENTS QUARANTINED IN TOTAL	1573
TOTAL NUMBER OF STUDENT POSITIVE COVID-19 CASES PRESENTLY	1
TOTAL NUMBER OF STAFF POSITIVE COVID-19 CASES PRESENTLY	1
TOTAL NUMBER OF POSITIVE COVID-19 CASES IN TOTAL	169
NEGATIVE DISTRICT BinaxNOW RAPID TESTS PERFORMED	16
POSITIVE DISTRICT BinaxNOW RAPID TESTS PERFORMED	1

UPDATED February 12, 2021 2:30PM

	<u>Current Positives</u>	<u>Total Positives</u>	<u>Enrollment</u>	<u>% Total Positives</u>
1	Students 128	Students 1522		8.41%
1	Teacher 24	Teacher 99		24.24%
0	Staff 17	Staff 77		22.08%
		169	Total 1698	9.95% Total Since August 24, 2020
	0.12%			

**4. Other**

**a. School Van Purchase**

Due to the current age and mileage of our school vans and preparation for replacements, we budgeted \$40,000 in capital outlay in the FY21 Transportation Fund. We are in need of a replacement school van. Mr. Reedy would like the Board to consider declaring the 1999 E150 235,000 mile Ford van as surplus so we can trade it in on a 2019 Dodge Grand Caravan with 24,032 miles from Douglas Dodge Clinton, IL estimated cost \$18,953. Phil Friedrich has evaluated and driven the 2019 minivan. I anticipate an additional need to replace another school van in the next few months.

**b. WCUSD15 Regular BOE Meeting Calendar 2021-22**

WCUSD#15 Regular Board Meeting Calendar 2021-2022: Enclosed in the board packet is the proposed 2021-2022 WCUSD\$15 Regular Board Meeting Calendar. The Board discussed moving the monthly meetings to the third Wednesday of each month. This is consistent throughout the year except July 2021 (Mr. Reedy will be out of town) and April 2022 (conflicts with tentative Spring Break 2022).

**c. Updated 2020-21 School Calendar**

The updated 2020-2021 school calendar and calendar highlights are in the board packet.

**d. FOIA Request**



We received our annual Illinois Retired Teachers Association FOIA. We have supplied them with the contact information for our retiring teacher/staff.

### Action Items

A motion was made by Lorri Bandy and seconded by Tom Ray to declare the following items as surplus: 1999 E150 Van

Discussion: None

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

Motion carried

A motion was made by Corey Conklin and seconded by Matt Seman to approve the purchase of a 2019 Dodge Grand Caravan 4-door Wagon SXT from Douglas Dodge Clinton, IL

Discussion: None

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

Motion carried

A motion was made by Matt Seman and seconded by Lorri Bandy to approve the Lincolnland Technical Education Center (LTEC) agreement for 2021-2022

Discussion: None

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



Motion carried

A motion was made by Corey Conklin and seconded by Matt Seman to approve the PRESS POLICIES: 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

Discussion: None

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

Motion carried

A motion was made by Lorri Bandy and seconded by Tom Ray to approve the 2021-2022 BOE Regular Meeting Calendar

Discussion: None

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

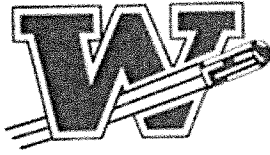
Motion carried

A motion was made by Tom Ray and seconded by Matt Seman to approve the following transfers, hires, and volunteers.

- Andrea Cruse – SES Paraprofessional
- Andrea Cruse – SES Guidance Counselor 2021-2022
- Doug Sagle – WJHS Volunteer Assistant Basketball

Discussion: None

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



Charles Waugh

Motion carried

### Executive Session

A motion was made by Lorri Bandy and seconded by Matt Seman 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.

Discussion: None

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

Motion carried

The Board entered executive session at 7:08pm and returned to open session at 8:27pm.

### Adjournment

A motion was made by Corey Conklin and seconded by Tom Ray to adjourn the meeting.

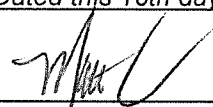
Discussion: None

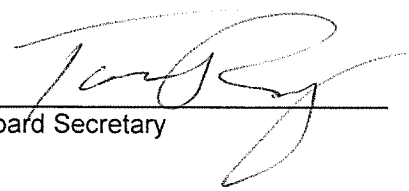
Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:27pm

### Board Approval

Dated this 16th day of February 2021

  
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Board President

  
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Board Secretary

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