

**REGULAR MEETING
WINNEBAGO COMMUNITY UNIT DISTRICT #323
APRIL 16, 2018**

Christopher Schoeneweiss called the Regular Meeting of the Winnebago Board of Education to order at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, April 16, 2018 in the Boardroom at McNair Elementary School. Members answering roll call were Dennis Daly, Elizabeth Johnson-Lovett, Duane Lovett, Michael Rossol, Christopher Schoeneweiss, and Nichole Smith. Todd France was absent.

At 5:32 p.m., Mr. Daly made a motion to enter Executive Session for the following reasons:

1. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District to determine its validity5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1); seconded by Mrs. Johnson-Lovett.

Roll call vote:

Aye: Mrs. Smith, Mr. Rossol, Mr. Daly, Mr. Lovett, Mrs. Johnson-Lovett, Mr. Schoeneweiss

Nay: none

Approved: 6-0

At 6:05 p.m., the school board returned to Open Session.

At 6:05 p.m., Mr. Daly made a motion for the meeting to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Rossol. All voted aye, meeting adjourned.

Christopher Schoeneweiss called the Regular Meeting of the Winnebago Board of Education to order at 6:10 p.m. on Monday, April 16, 2018 in the Library at McNair Elementary School. Members answering roll call were Dennis Daly, Elizabeth Johnson-Lovett, Duane Lovett, Michael Rossol, Christopher Schoeneweiss, and Nichole Smith. Todd France was absent. All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Daly made a motion to approve the meeting agenda; seconded by Mrs. Johnson-Lovett. All voted aye, motion was approved.

For the Public Comment portion of the meeting, Mr. Schoeneweiss explained that speakers are called on and allowed to speak for a maximum of three minutes. The Board of Education listens to input from the public and does not conduct open discussion on issues. Discussion on personnel matters is not allowed. No one had signed up to speak.

Mr. Daly made a motion to approve the items on the consent agenda; seconded by Mr. Rossol.

Items on consent agenda:

- 6.1. Approval of Minutes
 1. Regular Meeting – March 19, 2018
 2. Executive Session – March 19, 2018
 3. Special Meeting – April 10, 2018
 4. Executive Session – April 10, 2018
2. Approve Accounts Payable
3. Approve Personnel Report –NEW HIRES: Leslie Hopp – WHS – Special Education Teacher – 2018-19 school year, Connie Franklin – Fiscal Assistant – starting April 23, 2018, Karla Dorgan, Elizabeth Lazdins, Autumn Magee – WHS – Musical Staff, Courtney

Jumbeck – WHS – Assistant Volleyball Coach, Emily Myers – WHS – Assistant Girls Basketball Coach; FMLA LEAVE: Kayla Hedlund – Simon – Teacher – effective August 22 – October 15 2018; RESIGNATIONS: Diane Capriola – WMS – Special Education Paraprofessional – effective April 13, 2018, Kimberly Garst – Fiscal Assistant – effective May 8, 2018, Rita Miller – WHS – part-time Cook – effective January 26, 2018; SUMMER 2018 WORK CREW: Moving Crew – Dalton Menke, Spencer Lindgren – working only as needed, Custodial Crew – Lauren Spain replacing Krista Franklin, Technology Crew – Zach Stahl

4. Report on monthly FOIA Requests
5. Approve Fundraisers

Roll call vote:

Aye: Mr. Daly, Mr. Rossol, Mrs. Johnson-Lovett, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Lovett, Mr. Schoeneweiss

Nay: none

Approved: 6-0

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Ben Hickerson, Simon Principal, introduced Teacher Rhonda Waggoner who was in attendance to speak about their school's recent STEAM – Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Math – Night. Mrs. Waggoner presented information about the large number of attendees and volunteers they had, as well as, highlighted the many mini-workshops that were held. Students and their families participated in several hands on learning activities in all of the STEAM featured areas at the successful event. Assurance was given that it will be held again next school year.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Schwuchow spoke gave an update on the district's transition to Gmail for email. He commented that the process has gone smoothly, and now all staff are using the new system. A date is still being sought for school board members to be trained. It is also being considered to look more into Google Drive. Dr. Schwuchow shared information about the facility update summer schedule. He wanted board members to have a better understanding of timelines. With the use of Engie as the Performance Contractor, all work is guaranteed to be completed on time. The Regional Office of Education is planning on an inspection on August 15, 2018. A work schedule, broken down by building, was distributed. The remaining projects from the last bond sale have been blended together with the others. Both Dr. Schwuchow and Ron Ferguson, Director of Buildings and Grounds, answered questions about varying projects. Most staff will be kept out of buildings for most if not all of the summer with the District Office being shifted to WHS, as needed. Communication will continually go to board members, staff, and parents with status updates. Mr. Ferguson explained that much work must be done by district staff prior to Engie getting started, mainly clearing furniture from many rooms. Extra help is being called in to make sure all can be done as timely as possible. Before the bus parking lot can be done, all the buses will need to be moved to an alternate location. It will be a very busy summer with so many projects being addressed. Dr. Schwuchow reported that the State of Illinois is launching new tier funding in 2018 called Evidence-Based Funding. At this time, it has been projected that Winnebago School District will receive \$57,000 in new funding, although it is uncertain when this will be received. There have been concerns raised amongst school districts about how the determination was made on how much each school district is to receive because a clear formula has not been shared. Dr. Schwuchow was happy to report on the success of Winnovation. The team competed very well in the North Star Robotics Competition and received the Excellence in Engineering Award. Coach Scott Hill also received a top mentor honor award. They advanced to the World Championships in Detroit in late April, where they hope to finish strong this season.

NEW BUSINESS

FIRST READING OF BOARD POLICIES

- 2:260 – Uniform Grievance Procedure
- 4:40 – Incurring Debt
- 5:20 – Workplace Harassment Prohibited
- 5:200 – Terms and Conditions of Employment and Suspensions
- 5:20-E – Resolution to Prohibit Sexual Harassment

These policies will be second read at the May 21, 2018 board meeting.

Mrs. Johnson-Lovett reported that the Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Business after Hours event on April 26, 2018 at the Win Bur Sew Fire Department.

At 6:42 p.m., Mr. Daly made a motion for the meeting to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Schoeneweiss. All voted aye, meeting adjourned.

Approved: May 21, 2018

Respectfully submitted:

Christopher Schoeneweiss, President

Jennifer Lindgren, Secretary