

**WHITE CLOUD PUBLIC SCHOOLS****BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**MEETING: REGULAR MEETING**  
**DATE: FEBRUARY 17, 2025**  
**TIME: 7:00 PM**  
**PLACE: HS COLLABORATION ROOM 306**

**MINDY MENCH**  
**HARRY STEVENS**  
**RHONDA HEDLUND**  
**JAMES JONES**  
**JEFF MURCHISON**  
**MEGAN CRUZAN**  
**ELAINE ENGEL**

**Called to Order and Roll Call:**

The Regular Meeting of the White Cloud Board of Education was called to order by President, James Jones at 7:00 p. m. in the HS Collaboration Room 306.

Members Present: Mindy Mench, Harry Stevens, Rhonda Hedlund, James Jones, Jeff Murchison, Megan Cruzan, Elaine Engel

Members Absent:

Administration Present: K- 5 Elementary Principal, Lorie Watson, Business Manager, Brent Foondle, and Superintendent, Ed Canning

**Pledge of Allegiance:****Changes or Additions to the Agenda:**

**Communications:** Harry Stevens announced the Newaygo County School Board Dinner will be held on April 25, 2025.

**Consent Items**

**2024-124** Motion by Megan Cruzan, supported by Elaine Engel be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education approve the January 20, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent -0. Motion carried.

**2024-125** Motion by Harry Stevens, supported by Rhonda Hedlund be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education approve payment of the bills as presented. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent -0. Motion carried.

**Administrative Reports:**

Administrative reports were received by the Board from K-5 Elementary Principal, Lorie Watson, Business Manager, Brent Foondle, Kyle Rasch, SRO, and Superintendent, Ed Canning

**Committee Reports:**

None

**Public Comment:**

None

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

**2024-126** Motion by Harry Stevens, supported by Mindy Mench be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education approve the Ms. Sherry Claflin to move forward with a NASA TechRise Kennedy Space Center Trip. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

**2024-127** Motion by Jeff Murchison, supported by Mindy Mench be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education approve a 4-Year Bus Lease with Holland Bus Company for 12 buses as presented. Roll Call Vote: Mench-Yes, Stevens-Yes, Hedlund-Yes, Jones-Yes, Murchison-Yes, Cruzan-Yes, Engel-Yes. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

**2024-128** Motion by Harry Stevens, supported by Elaine Engel be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education approve the purchase of a new special education bus for \$156,443.00 from Holland Bus Company as presented. Roll Call Vote: Mench-Yes, Stevens-Yes, Hedlund-Yes, Jones-Yes, Murchison-Yes, Cruzan-Yes, Engel-Yes. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

**2024-129** Motion by Jeff Murchison, supported by Megan Cruzan be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education approve the purchase of new bus Angel Trax camera system (5 camera option) for \$43,143.32 from Holland Bus Company as presented. Roll Call Vote: Mench-Yes, Stevens-Yes, Hedlund-Yes, Jones-Yes, Murchison-Yes, Cruzan-Yes, Engel-Yes. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

**Personnel:**

**2024-130** Motion by Megan Cruzan, supported by Elaine Engel be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education approve the hiring of Paulette Scytke as our new Special Education Bus Aide as presented. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent -0. Motion carried.

**2024-131** Motion by Rhonda Hedlund, supported by Harry Stevens be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education approve the hiring of Jasmine Dye as our new Elementary At-Risk Paraprofessional as presented. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent -0. Motion carried.

**2024-132** Motion by Harry Stevens, supported by Rhonda Hedlund be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education approve the hiring of Caitlin Crothers as our new Junior High Special Education Paraprofessional as presented. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent -0. Motion carried.

**2024-133** Motion by Megan Cruzan, supported by Rhonda Hedlund be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education approve the Erin Lambright unpaid request per the WCESPA Contract until August 2025 as presented. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent -0. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:**

None

**Items For Future Discussion:**

Bond 2025 Next Steps

Strategic Planning-Board Retreat Dates

Budget Amendment

**Adjourn:**

**2024-134** Motion by Megan Cruzan, supported by Elaine Engel be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education move to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 p.m. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.



Elaine Engel, Board of Education Secretary