

WHITE CLOUD PUBLIC SCHOOLS	BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING: ORGANIZATIONAL/REGULAR MEETING DATE: JULY 15, 2024 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 Organizational/ Regular Meeting of the White Cloud Board of Education was called to order by Superintendent, Ed Canning 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: None

Administration Present: Superintendent, Ed Canning, Assistant 6-12 Complex Principal, Adam Fitzmaurice-Perdue, and Business Manager, Brent Foondle.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Changes or Additions to the Agenda: None

Consent Items

2024-001 Motion by James Jones, supported by Harry Stevens be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education approve the June 24, 2024 Budget Hearing Meeting Minutes as presented. Ayes-7, Naves-0, Absent -0. Motion carried.

2024-002 Motion by Mindy Mench, supported by Megan Cruzan be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education approve the June 24, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. Ayes-7, Naves-0, Absent -0. Motion carried.

2024-003 Motion by Elaine Engel, supported by James Jones be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education approve payment of the bills as presented. Ayes-7, Naves-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

Approval of 2023-2024 Regularly Scheduled Board Meetings

Setting Organizational Meeting time, date, and place for July 2025

2024-004 Motion by Jeff Murchison, supported by Rhonda Hedlund be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education at the Organizational/Regular July 15, 2024 meeting time at 7:00 p.m., set the 2025 Organizational Meeting for Monday, July 21, 2025 in the HS Collaboration Room 306 Center unless otherwise noted. Ayes-7, Naves-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

Setting Regular Meeting times, dates, and place for 2024-2025 school year

2024-005 Motion by Rhonda Hedlund, supported by Mindy Mench be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education set the 2024-2025 regular monthly meeting time at 7:00 p.m., on the third Monday of each month, in the HS Collaboration Room 306 unless otherwise noted. Ayes-7, Naves-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

Election of Officers for the 2024-2025 School Year

Election of President

2024-006 Motion by Harry Stevens, seconded by Megan Cruzan to nominate James Jones for President of the Board of Education for the 2024-2025 year. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

2024-007 Motion by Mindy Mench, seconded by Rhonda Hedlund to nominate James Jones for President of the Board of Education for the 2024-2025 year and close the nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for James Jones as President of the Board of Education. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

President of the Board of Education for 2024-2025 is James Jones.

Election of Vice-President

2024-008 Motion by Megan Cruzan, seconded by Elaine Engel to nominate Harry Stevens for Vice-President of the Board of Education for the 2024-2025 year. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

2024-009 Motion by Jeff Murchison, seconded by James Jones to nominate Harry Stevens for Vice-President of the Board of Education for the 2024-2025 year and close the nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Harry Stevens as Vice-President of the Board of Education. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

Vice-President of the Board of Education for 2024-2025 is Harry Stevens.

Election of Secretary

2024-010 Motion by Rhonda Hedlund, seconded by Harry Stevens to nominate Elaine Engel for Secretary of the Board of Education for the 2024-2025 year. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

2024-011 Motion by Harry Stevens seconded by Rhonda Hedlund to nominate Elaine Engel for Secretary of the Board of Education for the 2024-2025 year and close the nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Elaine Engel as Secretary of the Board of Education. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

Secretary of the Board of Education for 2024-2025 is Elaine Engel.

Election of Treasurer

2024-012 Motion by Harry Stevens, seconded by Rhonda Hedlund to nominate Mindy Mench for Treasurer of the Board of Education for the 2024-2025 year. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

2024-013 Motion by Harry Stevens, seconded by Rhonda Hedlund to nominate Mindy Mench for Treasurer of the Board of Education for the 2024-2025 year and close the nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Mindy Mench as Treasurer of the Board of Education. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

Treasurer of the Board of Education for 2024-2025 is Mindy Mench.

Committee Appointments

Building and Grounds Committee: Jeff Murchison, James Jones, and Harry Stevens

Budget/Negotiation Committee: Mindy Mench, Elaine Engel, and Harry Stevens

Policy/Personnel Committee: Rhonda Hedlund, Jim Jones, and Jeff Murchison

Curriculum/Professional Studies Committee: Elaine Engel, Rhonda Hedlund, and Megan Cruzan

Community Relations Committee: Elaine Engel, Megan Cruzan, and Mindy Mench

Resolution to Continue Current Policies of the District

2024-014 Motion by Harry Stevens, supported by Elaine Engel be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education continue with all the District established policies. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

Designation of Depositories for School Funds

2024-015 Motion by Megan Cruzan, supported by Mindy Mench be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education designate the following banks or trust companies in which the funds of the district shall be deposited: Independent Bank and its subsidiaries of West Michigan; The Michigan School Liquid Asset Fund; Huntington National Bank and UMB Bank. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

Check Signature and Fund Transfer Authorizations

Elementary School Activity Accounts-Authorized to sign Current Board Treasurer, Current Superintendent, Current Business Manager.

Athletic Fund Accounts-Authorized to sign, Current Superintendent, Current Athletic Director, Current Business Manager.

High School/JH Activity Accounts-Authorized to sign, Current Board Treasurer, Current Superintendent, Current Business Manager.

General Fund Account, Payroll Account, Debt Fund Accounts, Capital Projects Fund Account, and Food Service Account-Authorized to sign, Current Board Treasurer, Current Superintendent, Current Business Manager.

Authorize to transfer funds among accounts-Current Superintendent, Current Board Treasurer, Current Business Manager.

Authorized to transfer and invest funds- Current Superintendent, Current Board Treasurer, Current Business Manager.

2024-016 Motion by Harry Stevens, supported by Mindy Mench be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education authorize the positions presented above to sign checks in the accounts as stipulated. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

Designation of Person for Posting Public Notices

2024-017 Motion by Rhonda Hedlund, supported by Elaine Engel be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education designate the Superintendent/Administrative Assistant, to be responsible for posting of public notices. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

Approval of Organizational Memberships

2024-018 Motion by Megan Cruzan supported by Rhonda Hedlund be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education authorize continued membership in the, Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB), Michigan Institute for Educational Management (MIEM), and School Equity Caucus. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

Appointments:

Law Firms:

2024-019 Motion by Elaine Engel, supported by Mindy Mench be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education authorize the District to use Thrun Law Firm, and Clark Hill as the District Law Firms. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

Auditor:

2024-020 Motion by Harry Stevens, supported by Rhonda Hedlund be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education authorize the District to employ UHY LLP as the school Auditor. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

Designation of Program Directors and Coordinators:

Title I Director-Elementary Principal/Business Manager
Title V Director-Superintendent
Title IX Director-Superintendent
Freedom of Information Act Coordinator-Superintendent
School Meals Certification/Hearing Officer-Food Service Director
Michigan School Readiness Program Director-NCRESA-Candy Wells
Section 31A (At-Risk) Director-Superintendent/Business Manager
Michigan Assessment Program Coordinators-Counselors/Social Workers
High School Michigan Education Assessment Program Test Coordinators-Building Principals, Counselors/Social Workers/Virtual School Director
Local Homeless Education Liaison-Social Worker/School Counselor

2024-021 Motion by Elaine Engel, supported by Mindy Mench be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education designate the Program Directors and Coordinators as listed above. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

Set Mileage Reimbursement Rate:

2024-022 Motion by Rhonda Hedlund, supported by Mindy Mench be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education set the mileage reimbursement rate to match the IRS mileage rate. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

Set Freedom of Information Act Charges for Copies/Publishing:

2024-023 Motion by Megan Cruzan, supported by Elaine Engel be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education set Freedom of Information Act charges for copies/publishing at \$.10 cents per page, plus postage plus labor charges (least senior qualified person's hourly rate). Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

Designation of District Communications:

2024-024 Motion by Megan Cruzan, supported by Harry Stevens be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education designate Times Indicator, and Hi-Lites as the official news media for the district communications. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

Recognition of External Support Groups:

2024-025 Motion by Rhonda Hedlund, supported by Jeff Murchison be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education recognizes the White Cloud Athletic Boosters as an external support group. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

Communications:

Mr. Canning received communications from Mr. Burt Jackson regarding a ½ acre parcel (1 Mile and Beech) of land owned by WCPS.

Mr. Canning received communications from the City of White Cloud, the 2023 Water Supply Consumer Confidence Report.

Mr. Canning received communications from VAHDAT WEISMAN Law with a notice of litigation.

Administrative Reports:

Administrative reports were received by the Board from Business Manager, Brent Foondle, and Superintendent, Ed Canning.

Committee Reports:

Bond Steering Committee

Public Comment: None

Old Business: None

New Business:

Committee Appointments

Select Member to Serve on County School Board Steering Committee

Harry Stevens was appointed to serve on this committee.

Select Member to serve as the MASB Legislative Network representative.

James Jones was appointed to continue to serve as the representative to MASB.

Select a Delegate and Alternate for the 2024-25 MASB Delegate Assembly

Mindy Mench and Megan Cruzan (alternate) were appointed to serve as the delegate to the assembly.

Consider Approval for Free Tuition for Foreign Exchange Students:

2024-026 Motion by Megan Cruzan, supported by Harry Stevens be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education waive tuition for foreign exchange students. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

2024-027 Motion by Elaine Engel, supported by Rhonda Hedlund be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education approve the 2024 L-4029 as presented. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

2024-028 Motion by Harry Stevens, supported by Rhonda Hedlund be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education approve the 2024-25 School Bond Revolving Fund as presented. Roll Call: Mench-Yes, Stevens-Yes, Hedlund-Yes, Jones-Yes, Murchison-Yes, Cruzan-Yes, Engel-Yes. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

Personnel:

2024-029 Motion by Megan Cruzan, supported by Rhonda Hedlund be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education approve the hiring of Alexis Strait as our Junior Varsity Volleyball coach as presented. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Public comment was given by Mindy Mench regarding parking for the Washington DC trip.

Items For Future Discussion:

Technology Director Search

Strategic Planning

2024-25 School Year Updates

Adjourn:

2024-030 Motion by Megan Cruzan, supported by Elaine Engel be it resolved that the White Cloud Board of Education move to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 p.m. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Absent-0. Motion carried.


Elaine Engel, Board of Education Secretary