

The White Lake Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, January 8, 2024 in the school study hall.

Chairman Konechne called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Business Manager Haines took roll call. Members present were Duane Beckman, Barb Beckmann, Brooklynn Kieffer, Merlin Konechne, Jim Munsen and Kris Pursell. Member absent was Heather Schmidt.

Motion by Munsen and seconded by Pursell to adopt the agenda with the following change: remove 2024-2025 School Calendar. Motion carried unanimously.

No conflicts of interest were presented.

During the Public Forum, Chairman Konechne thanked the custodians for the painting and new setup of the library.

During the January 19 home ball game there will be an ice cream giveaway presented by one of the 4-H groups.

Motion by Beckman and seconded by Beckmann to allow EMT training at the school on February 3. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Beckman and seconded by Kieffer to approve the December 2023 minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Beckman and seconded by Beckmann to approve the December 2023 financial reports. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Munsen and seconded by Kieffer to approve the January 2024 claims. Motion carried unanimously. **General Fund**-A&B Business, copier maint. lease, \$540.03; Amazon, science supplies/podium, \$779.94; Appera, laundry, \$277.39; City of White Lake, water/sewer, \$677.86; Coca Cola, pop machine, \$55.22; Farmers Alliance, propane, \$1575.18; K. Fink, certificate renewal, \$60.00; Hillyard, custodial supplies, \$2432.24; Innovative Office Solutions, laminator film, \$261.88; Jake's Corner, brake fluid, \$9.38; Kieffer Trucking, \$280.00; L&L Sanitation, garbage, \$330.00; Larry's Automotive, bus repairs, \$2503.09; Menards, custodial supplies/paint, \$265.06; Midstate Communications, telephone, \$290.92; Midwest Fire & Safety, fire extinguisher inspection, \$259.00; J. Miller, snow removal, \$280.00; Northwestern, electricity, \$2897.97; Performance Foods, FFVP supplies, \$71.12; Petty Cash, postage, \$17.34; J. Podzimek, reading curriculum, \$57.00; Popplers Music, trumpet repair, \$11.00; Ron's Market, FFVP food/air freshener, \$212.76; School Specialty, pencil sharpeners, \$100.03; Sun Gold Trophies, restroom sign, \$36.00; US Bank Voyager, motor fuel, \$1357.60; Western Fire Protection, 5 year fire inspection, \$1890.00. Fund Total-\$17,528.01. **Capital Outlay**-A&B Business, copier lease, \$9067.73; Adobe, software license, \$2460.00; Great Plains Lumber, garage door on house, \$2014.97; Riverside Technologies, desktop computer, \$589.00; White Lake Ambulance, defibrillator batteries, \$824.96. Fund Total-\$14,956.66. **Special Education**-Amazon, binders/file cabinet, \$174.67; Core Educational Coop-January assessment, \$8909.45; Menards, table, \$89.98. Fund Total-\$9174.10. **Food Service**-Child & Adult Nutrition, food, \$127.50; East Side Jersey, dairy, \$183.71; Performance Foods, food/kitchen supplies, \$2415.43; Ron's Market, food, \$254.26. Fund Total-\$2980.90. **Afterschool**-Amazon, snacks, \$102.89; Ron's Market, snacks, \$32.56. Fund Total-\$135.45. **Imprest Fund**-K. Ball, BBB official, \$145.70; T. Kingsbury, BBB official, \$122.60; J. Odens, BBB official, \$140.96; Region V JH Music Festival, entry fee, \$20.00; Northwestern, electricity, \$291.39; J. Gau, BBB official, \$123.50; J. Schroeder, BBB official, \$161.00; S. Sonne, BBB official, \$114.32; Postmaster, newsletter, \$72.66; SDMEA, MS band entry fee, \$30.00. Fund Total-\$1222.13. **Payroll for December**-\$109,071.63; Instructional Staff-\$71,106.35; Support

Staff-\$34,678.28; Co-curricular Staff-\$3287.00; FICA district share-\$7359.74, NPIP vision insurance district share-\$40.00; NPIP health insurance district share-\$6226.80; SDRS district share-\$5998.89; Standard dental insurance district share-\$180.00; Standard life insurance district share-\$30.22.

No Mid-Central Coop meeting was held.

No Core Educational Coop meeting was held.

Motion by Pursell and seconded by Beckman to approve the Asst Cook contract for Jacki Konechne for \$15/hour. Motion carried unanimously with Konechne abstaining.

Motion by Kieffer and seconded by Beckman to hold the school board election on Tuesday, April 9, 2024 in conjunction with the city election. Motion carried unanimously.

Heather Schmidt is now present via telephone.

Business Manager Haines discussed the need to renew the opt out with no changes. The current opt out has a maximum limitation of \$350,000 for five years but is currently only set at \$225,000. This renewal would also have a maximum limitation of \$350,000 for five years. Supt. Schroeder mentioned about 62 schools currently have an opt out which includes several of the larger schools.

Resolution by Munsen and seconded by Munsen to opt out of the tax limitation for the General Fund in the amount of \$350,000 starting with calendar year 2024 taxes payable in the calendar year 2025. This opt out will be for five years, which will be through taxes payable in the calendar year 2029. This action has been taken by the board and approved by at least a two-thirds vote of the board. Roll call vote-all ayes. Resolution passed unanimously.

Heather Schmidt left the meeting.

Supt. Schroeder discussed issues with the boiler system.

Supt. Schroeder discussed downsizing the library due to classrooms having their own libraries. Motion by Pursell and seconded by Kieffer to surplus the library books at \$0 value. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Beckman and seconded by Kieffer to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 p.m. Motion carried unanimously. The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, February 12, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the school study hall.