

Smithville R-II Board of Education

Regular Session Minutes Wednesday, September 18, 2024 (7:00 PM) Meeting Held in District Board Room

1.0 Call to Order by Chairperson:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2.0 Board of Education Present:

1. Scott Jacoby
2. Whitney Carlile
3. Brooke Perkins
4. Patrick Nichols
5. Susan Whitacre
6. Johanna Pruitt
7. Stacia Cudd

3.0 Administrators Present:

1. Dr. Mark Maus, Superintendent
2. Dr. PJ McGinnis, Exec Director of Grades 7-14
3. Denise Harwood, Exec Director of Grades PK-6
4. Kim Davis, Director of Human Resources
5. Andrea Ambroson, Director of Special Services
6. Ian Saxton, Exec Director of Operations & Safety
7. Monica Leary, High School Assistant Principal
8. Tod Winterboer, Middle School Principal
9. Dr. Taylor Jahn, Maple Elementary Principal
10. Nicole Johnson, Horizon Elementary Assistant Principal
11. Melinda Stewart, Eagle Heights Principal

4.0 Executive Session (6:00 p.m.)

4.1 Personnel Matters (as authorized by paragraph (3) of Section 610.021, RSMO)

4.2 Safety Matters (as authorized by paragraph (19-21) of Section 610.021, RSMO)

5.0 Convene Regular Meeting (Immediately following the executive session)

6.0 Pledge of Allegiance

Kate Crim led the Pledge of Allegiance

A) Visitors Present

Lori Chapman, Kate Crim, Jaycee Carlile, Molly Hennegin

7.0 Adoption/Modification of Agenda

7.1 Adoption/Modification of Agenda

Recommendation: Motion to approve/modify the agenda.

Approve the modified agenda by moving 10.3 to 7.2.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Patrick Nichols**) Moved, Member (**Whitney Carlile**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Motion to approve the modified agenda'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 7
Nay: 0. The motion **Carried. 7 - 0**

Susan Whitacre Yes

Whitney Carlile Yes
Scott Jacoby Yes
Patrick Nichols Yes
Stacia Cudd Yes
Johanna Pruitt Yes
Brooke Perkins Yes

7.2 Superintendent Update

Dr. Maus recognized students involved in the Superintendent Advisory Council. Ian Saxton introduced our School Security Officers: Mike Mast, Jess Stone, Matthew Gardner.

Dr. Maus highlighted our recent Community Tailgate, Homecoming Week, including the Homecoming Parade on Friday at 2:00 pm. We will host a Transportation Open House and Ribbon Cutting on Wed., Sept. 25 from 5:30-7:30 pm.

8.0 PUBLIC TAX RATE HEARING AND SETTING OF TAX LEVY

8.1 Public Tax Rate Hearing and Setting of Tax Levy

To set the 2024 total tax rate at \$4.7504 per \$100 of assessed valuation. The total will be divided as follows: Fund 10 \$2.1341, Fund 20 \$1.05, Fund 30 \$1.2163, Fund 40 \$0.35. This is based on a total assessed valuation of \$416,835,439 for both real estate and personal property, which represents a 3.24% increase over the previous year. Last year's total levy was \$4.7504. Staff recommends setting the normal levy and temporary operating levy at the calculated tax rate ceiling (\$3.5341). Staff recommends the debt service levy is voluntarily rolled back \$0.0285 for a rate of \$1.2163.

Recommendation: Approve the 2024-2025 total tax rate at \$4.7504 per \$100 of assessed value.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Brooke Perkins**) Moved, Member (**Johanna Pruitt**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve the 2024-2025 total tax rate at \$4.7504 per \$100 of assessed value'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **7** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 7 - 0**

Susan Whitacre Yes
Whitney Carlile Yes
Scott Jacoby Yes
Patrick Nichols Yes
Stacia Cudd Yes
Johanna Pruitt Yes
Brooke Perkins Yes

8.2 Resolution of Intent to Defeas

Recommendation: Approve Resolution of Intent to Defeas as presented.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Patrick Nichols**) Moved, Member (**Susan Whitacre**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve Resolution of Intent to Defeas as presented'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **7** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 7 - 0**

Susan Whitacre Yes
Whitney Carlile Yes
Scott Jacoby Yes
Patrick Nichols Yes
Stacia Cudd Yes
Johanna Pruitt Yes
Brooke Perkins Yes

9.0 Approval of Consent Agenda Items

9.1 Approve Finance Committee Workshop Minutes for July 17, 2024

Recommendation: Approve Finance Committee Workshop Minutes for July 17, 2024 as presented.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Johanna Pruitt**) Moved, Member (**Stacia Cudd**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve Finance Committee Workshop Minutes for July 17, 2024 as presented'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **6** Nay: **0** Abstain: **1**. The motion **Carried. 6 - 0**

Susan Whitacre Yes
Whitney Carlile Abstain
Scott Jacoby Yes
Patrick Nichols Yes
Stacia Cudd Yes
Johanna Pruitt Yes
Brooke Perkins Yes

9.2 Approve Regular Session Minutes for August 21, 2024

Recommendation: Approve Regular Session Minutes for August 21, 2024 as presented.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Johanna Pruitt**) Moved, Member (**Stacia Cudd**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve Regular Session Minutes for August 21, 2024 as presented'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **6** Nay: **0** Abstain: **1**. The motion **Carried. 6 - 0**

Susan Whitacre Yes
Whitney Carlile Abstain
Scott Jacoby Yes
Patrick Nichols Yes
Stacia Cudd Yes
Johanna Pruitt Yes
Brooke Perkins Yes

9.3 Approve Board of Education Workshop Minutes for August 21, 2024

Recommendation: Approve Board of Education Workshop Minutes for August 21, 2024 as presented.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Johanna Pruitt**) Moved, Member (**Stacia Cudd**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve Board of Education Workshop Minutes for August 21, 2024 as presented'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **6** Nay: **0** Abstain: **1**. The motion **Carried. 6 - 0**

Susan Whitacre Yes
Whitney Carlile Abstain
Scott Jacoby Yes
Patrick Nichols Yes
Stacia Cudd Yes
Johanna Pruitt Yes
Brooke Perkins Yes

9.4 Approve Bills for Payment for September 2024

Recommendation: Approve Bills for Payment for September 2024 as presented.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Johanna Pruitt**) Moved, Member (**Stacia Cudd**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve Bills for Payment for September 2024 as presented'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **6** Nay: **0** Abstain: **1**. The motion **Carried. 6 - 0**

Susan Whitacre Yes
Whitney Carlile Abstain
Scott Jacoby Yes
Patrick Nichols Yes
Stacia Cudd Yes
Johanna Pruitt Yes
Brooke Perkins Yes

9.5 Approval of Contractual Agreement - KVC Behavioral Healthcare

Recommendation: Approval of Contractual Agreement

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Johanna Pruitt**) Moved, Member (**Stacia Cudd**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approval of Contractual Agreement'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **6** Nay: **0** Abstain: **1**. The motion **Carried. 6 - 0**

Susan Whitacre Yes
Whitney Carlile Abstain
Scott Jacoby Yes
Patrick Nichols Yes
Stacia Cudd Yes
Johanna Pruitt Yes
Brooke Perkins Yes

9.6 Approval of Contractual Agreement - The Family Conservancy

Recommendation: Approve Contractual Agreement

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Johanna Pruitt**) Moved, Member (**Stacia Cudd**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve Contractual Agreement'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **6** Nay: **0** Abstain: **1**. The motion **Carried. 6 - 0**

Susan Whitacre Yes
Whitney Carlile Abstain
Scott Jacoby Yes
Patrick Nichols Yes
Stacia Cudd Yes
Johanna Pruitt Yes
Brooke Perkins Yes

9.7 Approve District Sponsor Donations

Recommendation: The Administration asked that the Board accept the community donations.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Johanna Pruitt**) Moved, Member (**Stacia Cudd**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'The Administration asked that the Board accept the community donations'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **6** Nay: **0** Abstain: **1**. The motion **Carried. 6 - 0**

Susan Whitacre Yes
Whitney Carlile Abstain
Scott Jacoby Yes

Patrick Nichols Yes
Stacia Cudd Yes
Johanna Pruitt Yes
Brooke Perkins Yes

9.8 Approve Spark Hire Agreement

Recommendation: The Administration ask that the Board approval the renewal Agreement with Spark Hire.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Johanna Pruitt**) Moved, Member (**Stacia Cudd**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'The Administration ask that the Board approval the renewal Agreement with Spark Hire'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **6** Nay: **0** Abstain: **1**. The motion **Carried. 6 - 0**

Susan Whitacre Yes
Whitney Carlile Abstain
Scott Jacoby Yes
Patrick Nichols Yes
Stacia Cudd Yes
Johanna Pruitt Yes
Brooke Perkins Yes

9.9 Approve Updated Supplemental Pay Schedule

Recommendation: Approve Updated Supplemental Pay Schedule as presented.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Johanna Pruitt**) Moved, Member (**Stacia Cudd**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve Updated Supplemental Pay Schedule as presented'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **6** Nay: **0** Abstain: **1**. The motion **Carried. 6 - 0**

Susan Whitacre Yes
Whitney Carlile Abstain
Scott Jacoby Yes
Patrick Nichols Yes
Stacia Cudd Yes
Johanna Pruitt Yes
Brooke Perkins Yes

10.0 Communications

10.1 Comments from the Audience

No public comments

10.2 Correspondence

Dana Bosley thanked the Board for their contribution to The Hospice House in honor of her mother, Patricia Dowden.

10.3 Executive Director of Operations & Safety

Ian Saxton provided an update on Construction. Projects are in the final stages. Ian will provide the Board with a Deferred Maintenance Schedule in the coming months and Randy Wallace has been compiling a technology Master Inventory list.

11.0 Old Business

11.1 General Financial Review / FY24 Preliminary ASBR

During the month of August, we received \$1,666,512.73, making a total of \$3,404,006.27 received since July 1, 2024. Expenditures for August were \$4,015,167.85 making a total of \$6,730,628.62 expended since July 1, 2024.

Preliminary ASBR was presented. For FY24, we ended with a fund balance of 22.4% and \$93,000 in the black.

11.2 Board Committees

Patrick Nichols gave overview of recent Finance Committee meeting, where we discussed the Tax Levy, Defeasance and future GO Bond Projects and Levy Transfers.

Brooke Perkins, as the MSBA Delegate, provided information on the upcoming MSBA Fall Conference, and a potential Cohort Reunion for new board members. There will be an app for the MSBA Conference available on Oct. 1, 2024.

11.3 Approve MSBA 2024B Policy Updates for the Second of Three Readings

Recommendation: Approve MSBA 2024B Policy Updates for the Second of Three Readings as presented.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Brooke Perkins**) Moved, Member (**Stacia Cudd**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve MSBA 2024B Policy Updates for the Second of Three Readings as presented'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **7** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 7 - 0**

Susan Whitacre Yes
Whitney Carlile Yes
Scott Jacoby Yes
Patrick Nichols Yes
Stacia Cudd Yes
Johanna Pruitt Yes
Brooke Perkins Yes

11.4 Approve Board Policy KC - Community Engagement for the Second of Three Readings

Recommendation: Approve Board Policy KC - Community Engagement for the Second of Three Readings as presented.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Patrick Nichols**) Moved, Member (**Brooke Perkins**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve Board Policy KC - Community Engagement for the Second of Three Readings as presented'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **7** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 7 - 0**

Susan Whitacre Yes
Whitney Carlile Yes
Scott Jacoby Yes
Patrick Nichols Yes
Stacia Cudd Yes
Johanna Pruitt Yes
Brooke Perkins Yes

12.0 New Business

12.1 MSBA Policy 2024C for the First of Three Readings

Recommendation: Approve MSBA Policy 2024C for the First of Three Readings as presented.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Stacia Cudd**) Moved, Member (**Patrick Nichols**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve MSBA Policy 2024C for the First of Three Readings as presented'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **7** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 7 - 0**

Susan Whitacre Yes
Whitney Carlile Yes
Scott Jacoby Yes
Patrick Nichols Yes
Stacia Cudd Yes
Johanna Pruitt Yes
Brooke Perkins Yes

12.2 Personnel Report

Recommendation: Kim Davis recommends the Board approve all personnel matters as authorized by paragraph (3) of Section 610.021, RSMo.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Brooke Perkins)** Moved, Member **(Susan Whitacre)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Kim Davis recommends the Board approve all personnel matters as authorized by paragraph (3) of Section 610.021, RSMo'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **6** Nay: **0** Abstain: **1**. The motion **Carried. 6 - 0**

Susan Whitacre Yes
Whitney Carlile Abstain
Scott Jacoby Yes
Patrick Nichols Yes
Stacia Cudd Yes
Johanna Pruitt Yes
Brooke Perkins Yes

12.3 Evaluating Future Bond Projects

Dr. Maus and Ian Saxton presented a list of potential future Bond Projects. Ian met with each Building Administrator for a walk through at their buildings.

13.0 Adjournment

13.1 Adjourn the meeting

Recommendation: Adjourn the meeting.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Whitney Carlile)** Moved, Member **(Susan Whitacre)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Adjourn the meeting'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **7** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 7 - 0**

Susan Whitacre Yes
Whitney Carlile Yes
Scott Jacoby Yes
Patrick Nichols Yes
Stacia Cudd Yes
Johanna Pruitt Yes
Brooke Perkins Yes

The meeting was duly adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Board Secretary

Date

Board President

Date