

**WESTLAKE CITY SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES**

**Monday, August 1, 2016 – 6:00 p.m. – Special Meeting  
Parkside Building, 24525 Hilliard Blvd., Westlake, Ohio 44145**

Call to Order Time: 6:01 p.m.

Roll Call:

Ms. Winter	<u>Present</u>
Mrs. Leszynski	<u>Present</u>
Mr. Finucane	<u>Present</u>
Mr. Kraft	<u>Present</u>
Dr. Stoll	<u>Present</u>

Pledge of Allegiance – President Winter led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated on the agenda.

**VISION STATEMENT**

The Westlake City School District will provide a dynamic, student centered, 21<sup>st</sup> Century learning environment. Our district will be characterized by high achievement, actively engaged learners, mutual respect, shared knowledge, pursuit of new skills and capabilities, collaborative learning, willingness to take action, a team commitment to data-driven continuous improvement, and tangible results.

**MISSION STATEMENT**

**WE EDUCATE FOR EXCELLENCE...**Empowering all students to achieve their educational goals, to direct their lives, and to contribute to society.

Acknowledgment of Visitors – President Winter acknowledged all visitors.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Mr. Kraft

Seconded by Mrs. Leszynski

Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Winter	<u>AYE</u>
Mrs. Leszynski	<u>AYE</u>
Mr. Finucane	<u>AYE</u>
Mr. Kraft	<u>AYE</u>
Dr. Stoll	<u>AYE</u>

A. Board Items

1. Discussion of District finances and the November ballot issue

B. Board Comments

C. Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Finucane

Seconded by Mrs. Leszynski

Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Winter AYE

Mrs. Leszynski AYE

Mr. Finucane AYE

Mr. Kraft AYE

Dr. Stoll AYE

President Winter adjourned the meeting at 6:21 p.m.

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President

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Treasurer

The public may address the Board during the periods of the meeting designated for public participation. Each person addressing the Board shall give his/her name and address. If several people wish to speak, each person is allotted three minutes until the total time allotted is used. During that period, no person may speak twice until all who desire to speak have had the opportunity to do so. The period of public participation may be extended by a vote of the majority of the Board present and voting.

The Board of Education of the Westlake City School District, Ohio, met on August 1, 2016, in special session commencing at 6:00 p.m., at the Parkside Building, 24525 Hilliard Boulevard, Westlake, Ohio, with the following members present:

Carol Winter

Barbara Leszynski

John Finucane

Joseph Kraft

Robert Stoll

The Treasurer or the Treasurer Pro Tempore, as the case may be, advised the Board that the notice requirements of Section 121.22 of the Revised Code and the implementing rules adopted by the Board pursuant thereto were complied with for the meeting.

Dr. Stoll moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 16-190**

**A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE NECESSITY OF SUBMITTING THE SINGLE QUESTION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT BONDS IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$33,633,092 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING, RENOVATING, REMODELING, ADDING TO, FURNISHING, EQUIPPING AND OTHERWISE IMPROVING SCHOOL DISTRICT BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES AND ACQUIRING, CLEARING AND IMPROVING THEIR SITES, AND THE LEVY OF AN ADDITIONAL TAX OF 0.8 MILLS TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, ENLARGEMENT, RENOVATION, AND FINANCING OF GENERAL PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, PURSUANT TO SECTION 5705.218 OF THE REVISED CODE.**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Westlake City School District, County of Cuyahoga, State of Ohio, two-thirds of all members elected thereto concurring, that:

Section 1. Declaration of Necessity of Bonds. This Board finds, determines and declares that it is necessary to issue general obligation bonds of the Westlake City School District in the aggregate principal amount of \$33,633,092 for the purpose of constructing, renovating, remodeling, adding to, furnishing, equipping and otherwise improving school district buildings and facilities and acquiring, clearing and improving their sites (the Bonds), and to levy a tax outside of the ten-mill limitation imposed by Section 2 of Article XII of the Ohio Constitution to pay the debt charges on the Bonds and any anticipatory securities. The approximate date of the Bonds will be March 1, 2017. The maximum number of years over which the principal of the Bonds may be paid is 33, and the Bonds will bear interest at a rate now estimated at 4.5% per year, payable semiannually. This Board anticipates that the tax to be levied for debt charges on the Bonds will be first placed on the tax list and duplicate in tax year 2016, for first collection in 2017.

Section 2. Declaration of Necessity of Tax Levy. This Board hereby finds, determines and declares that the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten-mill limitation by levies on the tax list and duplicate will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of this School District, and that it is necessary to levy a tax in excess of that limitation at the rate of 0.8 mills for a continuing period of time to provide funds for the acquisition, construction, enlargement, renovation, and financing of general permanent improvements, commencing in tax year 2016, for first collection in calendar year 2017.

Section 3. Submission of Single Question to the Electors. Pursuant to Section 5705.218 of the Revised Code, the single question of the issuance of the bonds and the levy of an additional tax of 0.8 mills to provide funds for the acquisition, construction, enlargement, renovation, and financing of general permanent improvements for a continuing period of time shall be submitted to the electors of the School District at an election to be held in the School District on November 8, 2016.

Section 4. Certification and Delivery of Resolution to County Fiscal Officer. The Treasurer of this Board is directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to the Cuyahoga County Fiscal Officer, and, in accordance with Sections 5705.03(B) and 5705.218 of the Revised Code, this Board hereby requests the County Fiscal Officer to certify to it (i) the total current tax valuation of this School District, (ii) the estimated average annual property tax levy, expressed in dollars and cents for each one hundred dollars of tax valuation and in mills for each one dollar of tax valuation, that the County Fiscal Officer estimates to be required throughout the stated maturity of the bonds to pay debt charges on the bonds, assuming that they are all issued in one series bearing interest and maturing in substantially equal principal amounts in each year over the maximum number of years over which the principal of the bonds may be paid, both as stated in Section 1, and that the amount of the tax valuation of this School District for the current year (or, if that amount is not determined, the estimated amount of that tax valuation submitted by the County Fiscal Officer to the County Budget Commission) remains the same throughout the maturity of the bonds (except as otherwise provided in Revised Code § 133.18(C)(2)), and (iii) the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated annually by the additional tax levy referred to in Section 2.

Section 5. Request of State Consents of the State Tax Commissioner and the State Superintendent of Public Instruction. This Board hereby requests the consents of the State Tax Commissioner and the State Superintendent of Public Instruction to the submission of this question, as the School District's net indebtedness after the issuance of the Bonds will exceed four percent of the total value of all property in the School District as listed and assessed for taxation. The Treasurer of this Board is directed to certify copies of this Resolution to the State Tax Commissioner and State Superintendent of Public Instruction, together with such other information as they may require for the purpose. Any and all prior related actions taken by the Treasurer are hereby ratified and confirmed.

Section 6. Compliance with Open Meeting Requirements. This Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board and any of its committees concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were held, in meetings open to the public, in compliance with the law.

Section 7. Repeal of Certain Resolutions. Resolution Nos. 16-173 and 16-189, adopted by this Board on July 11, 2016 and July 25, 2016, respectively, are hereby repealed.

Section 8. Captions and Headings. The captions and headings in this Resolution are solely for convenience of reference and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent of any Sections, subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs or clauses hereof.

Section 9. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately upon its adoption.

Mr. Finucane seconded the motion.

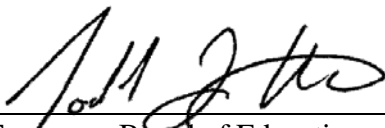
Upon roll call on the adoption of the Resolution, the vote was as follows:

Ms. Winter	Yes	Mrs. Leszynski	Yes
Mr. Finucane	Yes	Mr. Kraft	Yes
Dr. Stoll	Yes		

#### **TREASURER'S CERTIFICATION**

The above is a true and correct extract from the minutes of the special meeting of the Board of Education of the Westlake City School District held on August 1, 2016, showing adoption of the resolution set forth above. Written notice of the time and place of that special meeting was served personally upon, or actually received by, each Board member at least two days in advance of such meeting; and notice of the time, place and purpose(s) of that special meeting, was, at least 24 hours in advance of the time of such meeting, given to and received by all news media that had heretofore requested notification of such meetings pursuant to Section 121.22 of the Revised Code and the procedures established by the Board for that purpose.

Dated: August 1, 2016

  
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Treasurer, Board of Education  
Westlake City School District, Ohio

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