

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF WEST CENTRAL COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #235 HELD IN THE UNIT OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM ON MARCH 27, 2012.

The meeting was called to order by President Brent at 7:00 pm in the Unit Office Conference Room. The following board members answered roll call: Anderson, aye; B. Arnold, aye, J. Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Goff, absent; John, aye; Robbins, aye. President Brent declared a quorum present. Also present were Superintendent Grimm, J. Bradburn, S. Richard, R. Dwyer, student and parents.

CALL TO ORDER

Motion by Anderson, seconded by John to appoint President Brent as hearing officer to preside over a student discipline hearing. Roll call: Anderson, aye; B. Arnold, aye; J. Arnold, aye; Brent, abstain; Goff, absent; John, aye; Robbins, aye. Motion carried.

HEARING OFFICER

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by B. Arnold, seconded by Robbins to enter closed session pursuant to the open meetings act – 5 ILCS 120/1 et seq. to hear a student discipline case at 7:03 pm. Roll call: Anderson, aye; B. Arnold, aye; J. Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Goff, absent; John, aye; Robbins, aye. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Anderson, seconded by J. Arnold to return to open session at 7:59 pm. Roll call: Anderson, aye; B. Arnold, aye; J. Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Goff, absent; John, aye; Robbins, aye. Motion carried.

ACTION ITEM

Motion by B. Arnold, seconded by J. Arnold that student #13104 be found to have violated school rules by threatening students by telling them he created a “hit list” after he was told by Mr. Dwyer not to discuss the incident on Monday, March 19, 2012 which constitutes gross disobedience and misconduct under circumstances so related to the school program so as to warrant discipline. Roll call: Anderson, aye; B. Arnold, aye; J. Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Goff, absent; John, aye; Robbins, aye. Motion carried.

VIOLATED SCHOOL RULES

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Robbins, seconded by B. Arnold to return to closed session to continue at 8:01 pm. Roll call: Anderson, aye; B. Arnold, aye; J. Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Goff, absent; John, aye; Robbins, aye. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Anderson, seconded by John to return to open session at 8:29 pm. Roll call: Anderson, aye; B. Arnold, aye; J. Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Goff, absent; John, aye; Robbins, aye. Motion carried.

ACTION ITEM

Motion by B. Arnold, seconded by John that the seven day out of school suspension for student #13104 be upheld and that student #13104 be expelled from West Central High School for threatening students by telling them he created a “hit list” after he was told by Mr. Dwyer not to discuss the incident on Monday, March 19, 2012 for the remainder of

SUSPENION UPHELD & EXPULSION

the 2012 calendar year. Student #13104 may return to WCHS beginning with the spring semester of the 2012-13 school year. Roll call: Anderson, aye; B. Arnold, aye; J. Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Goff, absent; John, aye; Robbins, aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by J. Arnold that the expulsion of student #13104 be held in abeyance in order to allow said student to attend Henderson County Safe School. Student #13104 may apply for reinstatement to West Central High School on January 1, 2013. Roll call: B. Arnold, aye; J. Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Goff, absent; John, aye; Robbins, aye; Anderson, aye. Motion carried.

EXPULSION IN
ABEYANCE

The board took a short recess and reconvened at 8:40 pm with all members but Goff in attendance at roll call.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Robbins, seconded by B. Arnold to return to closed session to discuss matters pertaining to personnel at 8:40 pm. Roll call: Anderson, aye; B. Arnold, aye; J. Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Goff, absent; John, aye; Robbins, aye. Motion carried.

CLOSED
SESSION

Motion by Robbins, seconded by B. Arnold to return to open session at 10:24 pm. Roll call: Anderson, aye; B. Arnold, aye; J. Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Goff, absent; John, aye; Robbins, aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Anderson, seconded by B. Arnold to adjourn at 10:25 pm. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

THESE MINUTES ARE APPROVED AS WRITTEN THIS 18TH DAY OF APRIL 2012.

Lonnie Brent, Board President

Paul Anderson, Board Secretary