

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF WEST CENTRAL COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #235 HELD IN THE ELEMENTARY CAFETERIA ON NOVEMBER 14, 2017.

The meeting was called to order by President Anderson at 6:00 pm in the Elementary Cafeteria. The following board members answered roll call: Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, absent; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Spence, aye. President Anderson declared a quorum present. Also present were Superintendent Markey, B. Rees, J. Burns, K. Lafary, J. Kirby, K. Harrison, M. Frakes, Matthew Stewart, N. Clark and several middle school students and parents from the speech team.

CALL TO ORDER

President Anderson then led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PLEDGE

GOOD NEWS ITEMS

Under good news items the following items were highlighted:

GOOD NEWS ITEMS

- Several members of the middle school Speech Team performed their speeches for the Board.
- West Central Elementary School hosted our annual Donuts with Dad event where 107 families participated in Kitchen Chemistry experiments.
- WCES participated in Red Ribbon Week activities designed to raise awareness of the harmful effects caused by drugs. This event ended with a theme of “Your Future is Key-Stay Drug Free” where the students dressed up to represent their career choice. We were amazed at the number of “teachers” in the building.
- Natalie Ensminger, WCMS English teacher, is the WRAM/WMOI Teacher of the Month for the month of November.
- Members of the Biggsville Legion Post participated in the high school morning announcements by leading the students in the Pledge of Allegiance. Some of the veterans stayed to eat lunch with the students and to share their experiences.
- The Early Childhood team hosted a Family Night where they read stories and conducted science experiments. Over 50 families attended the event.
- The West Central Middle School Veterans Day program was very successful.
- The West Central Middle School Glow Run raised over \$1300. There were more than 100 registrants.
- The FFA Ag Sales team placed 2nd at Sections and qualified to compete at the District # 1 level. Team members are Nicholas Brokaw, Colyn Crane, Keaten Blevins and Heidi Ford.
- There are approximately thirteen 3rd and 4th grade boys participating in the parent sponsored basketball program.
- The following West Central High School football players were named to the LTC Football Team. 1st Team Offense – Brock Bigger; 2nd Team Offense – Luke Ditsworth and Jensen Bowman.
- The following West Central High School volleyball players were named to the LTC Volleyball Team. 2nd Team – Danyel McKune; Honorable Mention – Corinne Booton

- The following West Central High School volleyball players were named LTC Volleyball All Academic: Tori Olson, Corinne Booton, Teressa Hartman, Breann Vancil, Brooke Peterson, Megan McIntire, Sadie Lenz, Mady Reed and Megan Schaley.

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Lumbeck, seconded by Bigger to approve the agenda with the following additions:

APPROVE
AGENDA

- XVII. A-1. Resignation: Grace Simpson, Long-term Substitute
- XIV. E. Addition to the Life/Safety Amendment Discussion: Phone System

Roll call: Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, absent; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Spence, aye; Anderson, aye. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE REQUEST FOR PRESENTATION

There was no one present who wished to address the Board on any agenda items.

RECOGNITION
OF AUDIENCE

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF STUDENT DISCIPLINARY HEARING PRESIDING OFFICER

Motion by Lumbeck, seconded by Arnold to appoint President Anderson as hearing officer. Roll call: Bigger, aye; Clark, absent; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Spence, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye. Motion carried.

HEARING
OFFICER

CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS MATTERS PERTAINING TO STUDENT DISCIPLINE

Motion by Bigger, seconded by Spence to enter closed session pursuant to the open meetings act – ILCS 120/1 et seq. to hear a student discipline case at 6:24 pm. Roll call: Clark, absent; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck aye; Spence, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye. Motion carried.

CLOSED
SESSION

The Board reconvened in the Unit Office Conference Room at 6:26 pm. Roll call: Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Spence, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, absent.

OPEN SESSION

Motion by Bigger, seconded by Spence to return to open session at 6:56 pm. Roll call: Bigger, aye; Clark, absent; Lenahan, absent, Lumbeck, aye; Spence, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye. Motion carried.

The Board reconvened in the Elementary Cafeteria at 7:02 pm. Roll call: Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, absent; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Spence, aye.

ACTION ITEMS

Motion by Arnold, seconded by Bigger that student #23081 be found to have engaged in an activity that interfered with, disrupted, and adversely affected the school environment and school operations. The conduct is considered to endanger the health and safety of another student and school property which is a violation of Student Handbook, Page 24 and School Board Policy 7:190, and these are acts of misconduct such that a one-day out of school suspension is justified by the evidence. Roll call: Clark, absent; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Spence, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye. Motion carried.

STUDENT VIOLATED RULES

Motion by Lumbeck, seconded by Bigger, that a one-day out of school suspension for Student #23081 be upheld. Roll call: Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Spence, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, absent. Motion carried.

STUDENT SUSPENDED

Motion by Spence, seconded by Lumbeck that the disciplinary letter for Student #23081 be upheld and the student/parents be given an opportunity to write a rebuttal letter to attach to the disciplinary letter. Roll call: Bigger, aye; Clark, absent; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Spence, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye. Motion carried.

REBUTTAL LETTER

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Spence, seconded by Bigger to approve the consent agenda including the following items:

COSENT AGENDA

- The minutes of the October 18, 2017 regular meeting, closed session minutes from October 18, 2017;
- The minutes of the special meeting of November 6, 2017, closed session minutes from November 6, 2017
- The payment of all bills;
- The October 2017 activity account summaries for West Central High School, West Central Middle School and West Central Elementary School;
- The Treasurer’s Report for October 2017.

Roll call: Bigger, aye; Clark, absent; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Spence, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye. Motion carried.

ACTION ITEMS

Motion by Lumbeck, seconded by Bigger to approve offering a SAT Prep Class as presented. Roll call: Clark, absent; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Spence, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye. Motion carried.

SAT PREP CLASS

Motion by Lumbeck, seconded by Spence to approve the 2017 Tentative Tax Levy certificate calling for a total amount of \$5,606,477, which represents a 9.04% increase over the 2016 extension amount as presented. Roll call: Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Spence, aye; Anderson, nay; Arnold, nay; Bigger, nay; Clark, absent. Motion failed.

TENTATIVE 2017 TAX LEVY

<p>Motion by Arnold, seconded by Bigger to approve the 2017 Tentative Tax Levy certificate calling for a total amount of \$5,397,963, which represents a 4.99% increase over the 2016 extension amount as presented. Roll call: Lumbeck, nay; Spence, nay; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, absent; Lenahan, absent. Motion carried.</p>	<p>TENTATIVE 2017 TAX LEVY</p>
<p>Motion by Bigger, seconded by Arnold to approve the 2017 District and School Report Cards for West Central Elementary School, West Central Middle School and West Central High School as presented. Roll call: Lumbeck, aye; Spence, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, absent; Lenahan, absent. Motion carried.</p>	<p>DISTRICT REPORT CARDS</p>
<p>Motion by Bigger, seconded by Spence to approve the Life/Safety Amendment for the North Campus Sanitary Sewer Lines as presented. Roll call: Spence, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, absent; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye. Motion carried.</p>	<p>SEWER LINES L/S AMEND</p>
<p>Motion by Lumbeck, seconded by Bigger to approve the senior class trip to Indiana Dunes, Charleston, IN as presented. Roll call: Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, absent; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Spence, aye. Motion carried.</p>	<p>SENIOR CLASS TRIP</p>
<p>Motion by Spence, seconded by Bigger to approve the 6th grade field trip to the National Mississippi River Museum and Aquarium in Dubuque, IA pending securing funds through fund raising efforts to take Trailways transportation as presented. Roll call: Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, absent; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Spence, aye; Anderson, aye. Motion carried.</p>	<p>6TH GRADE CLASS TRIP</p>
<p>Motion by Bigger, seconded by Spence to approve the Service Agreement for Water Management Program as presented. Roll call: Bigger, aye; Clark, absent; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Spence, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye. Motion carried.</p>	<p>WATER MGMT AGREEMENT</p>
<p><u>REPORTS</u></p>	
<p>Under reports, the Board heard summaries from their written reports from the building principals, Mrs. Lafary, Mrs. Burns, Mr. Rees; a technology report from Mrs. Frakes and a report from District Athletic Director Mr. Kirby.</p>	<p>REPORTS</p>
<p>The Building & Grounds Committee updated the Board on their meeting that was held recently.</p>	
<p><u>DISCUSSION ITEMS</u></p>	
<p>Discussion of job descriptions was tabled.</p>	
<p>A date and time was set to conduct the interviews for the Student Representative to the Board of Education.</p>	<p>STUDENT REP</p>
<p>The Triple I Conference was discussed.</p>	<p>TRIPLE I CONF</p>

The board briefly discussed Board Agreements and Next Steps for Board Improvement.

The Board discussed Life/Safety Amendments for District Site Lighting, Elementary and Middle School Gym Lighting, High School Courtyard Tree Removal, Elementary Restroom and Elementary Drinking Fountain Replacement, and replacement of the phone system.

L/S AMENDS

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Board members were asked to contact Superintendent Markey with any future agenda items.

FUTURE
AGENDA
ITEMS

PERSONNEL ACTION

Motion by Bigger, seconded by Spence to accept the resignation of Grace Simpson as a long-term substitute effective December 20, 2017 as presented. Roll call: Lumbeck, aye; Spence, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, absent; Lenahan, absent. Motion carried.

G. SIMPSON
-RESIGN
SPANISH

Motion by Arnold, seconded by Bigger to employ Tiffany Ouellette as a West Central High School English Teacher at the start of the 2018-2019 school year as presented pending completion of all pre-employment requirements. Roll call: Spence, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, absent; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye. Motion carried.

T. OUELLETTE
-EMPLOY
WCHS
ENGLISH

Motion by Bigger, seconded by Spence to employ Rachael Allaman as a long-term substitute for West Central High School for 2nd semester of the 2017-2018 school year pending all pre-employment requirements as presented. Roll call: Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, absent; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Spence, aye. Motion carried.

R. ALLAMAN
-EMPLOY
LONG TERM
SUB

Motion by Spence, seconded by Lumbeck to employ Samatha Kimmey as a SAT Prep Course Instructor for the 2017-2018 school year and to be paid a stipend of \$1,000 as presented. Roll call: Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, absent; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Spence, aye; Anderson, aye. Motion carried.

S. KIMMEY
-EMPLOY SAT
PREP CLASS

Motion by Lumbeck, seconded by Arnold to employ Ryan Muegge as a SAT Prep Course Instructor for the 2017-2018 school year and to be paid a stipend of \$1,000 as presented. Roll call: Bigger, aye; Clark, absent; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Spence, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye. Motion carried.

R. MUEGGE
-EMPLOY SAT
PREP CLASS

Motion by Arnold, seconded by Bigger to employ Christina Ryba as a West Central Middle School Scholastic Bowl Coach with ½ stipend for the 2017-2018 school year as presented. Roll call: Clark, absent; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Spence, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye. Motion carried.

C. RYBA
-EMPLOY
WCHS
SCHOLASTIC
BOWL

Motion by Bigger, seconded by Spence to employ Teresa Stevenson as a West Central Middle School Scholastic Bowl Coach with ½ stipend for the 2017-2018 school year as presented. Roll call: Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Spence, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, absent. Motion carried.

T. STEVENSON
-EMPLOY
WCHS
SCHOLASTI
BOWL

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Bigger, seconded by Spence to adjourn to closed meeting to discuss matters related to the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity; collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberation concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees; and student discipline. 5 ILCS 120/2 (2)(1)) at 9:05 pm. Roll call: Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, absent; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Spence, aye; Anderson, aye. Motion carried.

CLOSED
SESSION

The Board took a short break and reconvened in the Unit Office Conference room at 9:14 pm. Roll call: Clark, absent; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck aye; Spence, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye.

Motion by Lumbeck, seconded by Spence to return to open meeting at 10:07 pm. Roll call: Lenahan, absent, Lumbeck, aye; Spence, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, absent. Motion carried.

FUTURE MEETING DATE

The Board was reminded that the next regular Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 13, 2017. The regular December Board Meeting will begin at 6:00 pm and be held in the elementary cafeteria.

FUTURE MTG
DATE

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Lumbeck, seconded by Spence to adjourn at 10:08 pm. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

THESE MINUTES ARE APPROVED AS WRITTEN THIS 13th DAY OF DECEMBER 2017.

Paul Anderson, Board President

Malinda Clark, Board Secretary