

TO: All Staff
FROM: Paula Markey
RE: April 19, 2017, Regular Board Meeting Summary
DATE: Friday, April 21, 2017

At the Wednesday, April 19, 2017, regular Board meeting of the West Central C.U.S.D. #235 Board of Education, the following items took place:

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the West Central Elementary School cafeteria by Board President Lonnie Brent. All Board members were present at roll call.
2. President Brent led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Under Good News Items the following items were highlighted:
 - The elementary music concerts were fantastic! Several who attended remarked that they were the best ever! During those events, many student projects were on display within the hallways. Great job, Miss Cory, Mr. Steben, and the entire elementary team.
 - Mrs. Burrell coordinated training sessions on Conscious Discipline for both parents and staff members.
 - PARCC testing at the elementary is complete. Mrs. Frakes has spent many hours facilitating this process. The students worked hard and one from each class was rewarded for their efforts with a trip to Mazzios.
 - FFA Livestock Judging Results for April Contests:
 - The West Central FFA competed in the WIU Ag Mechanics contest and brought home a Fourth place finish out of 19 teams. The team members were Nicholas Brokaw, Brock Bigger, Jon Anderson, Colyn Crane, Jensen Bowman, Alec Vancil, and Dalton Spiker.
 - The West Central FFA competed in the Section 4 Poultry contest at West Prairie High School. The Varsity team placed 3rd overall and consisted of Jon Anderson - 3rd overall, Nick Brokaw - 8th overall, Keaten Blevins - 11th overall, Heidi Ford, Lacey Bigger, and Dalton Spiker.
 - The Greenhand team placed 1st in their division and consisted of Brenna Lillie, Hunter West, Brooke Waterhouse, Christian Sloan, Leah Coventon, Collin Hennenfent, and Breanna Campbell.
 - Kamryn Endress received 1st place in the District 1 FFA Job Interview contest held at Geneseo H.S. This qualifies her for the State contest in this area that will be held at the IL State FFA Convention In June. With the contest, she had to submit a resume, cover letter, have a personal interview, phone interview, fill out a job application, and write a follow-up letter. She had a score of 973 out of a possible 1000. The closest competitor had a 919 for a score. Great job and way to represent West Central FFA.
 - The 4x100 team of Zach Vancil, Chandler Diehl, Luke Arnold, and Luke Ditsworth and the 4x400 team of Freeman Shoemaker, Zach Vancil, James Porter, and Chandler Diehl have set new school records. Also, Freeman Shoemaker has set a new school record in the 800.

- West Central High School track team members Zach Vancil, Chandler Diehl, Luke Arnold, and Luke Ditsworth participated in the Top Times Meet. Chandler Diehl placed 5th in the 200.
 - Thirteen West Central Middle School Students were highlighted for recently participating in the Honor Band performance held in Farmington IL on Tuesday, April 11.
 - IESA Solo and Ensemble Contest was held on Friday, March 25, with all 15 students receiving either a Division 1 rating or a Division 2 rating which are the two highest ratings that can be earned.
 - Ten West Central High School Students were selected to perform at the Lincoln Trail Conference Band Festival in Wethersfield on Tuesday, March 14, 2017. recently.
 - Kenna Armstrong was selected to perform in the Bradley Honor Band.
 - The Board and Superintendent Markey received an email from Mitch Lefler complimenting the District on the high school dual credit offerings and how successful that has been for his daughter who will graduate from West Central High School with 21 college credits.
4. The agenda was approved as presented.
 5. There were no comments from the public.
 6. The Board approved the Consent Agenda. Items approved under the Consent Agenda included the following:
 - The minutes of the March 15, 2017, Regular Meeting and Closed Session
 - The minutes of the March 27, 2017, Special Meeting and Closed Session
 - The minutes of the March 29, 2017, Special Meeting
 - The March 2017 bills, March 2017 building Activity Account Reports, the March 2017 Treasurer's Report, and review of the District Financial Snapshot.
 7. The Board approved the 2017-2018 school improvement plans for West Central Elementary, West Central Middle School, and West Central High School as presented.
 8. The Board approved a resolution proclaiming May 1-5, 2017 as National Teacher Appreciation Week and May 2, 2017 as National Teacher Appreciation Day.
 9. The Board adopted the following policies on 2nd reading as presented:

Policy 1:10 – School District Legal Status; **Policy 1:20** – District Organization, Operations, and Cooperative Agreements; **Policy 1:30** – School District Philosophy; **Policy 2:10** – School District Governance; **Policy 2:70** – Vacancies on the School Board – Filling Vacancies; **Policy 2:70-E** – Checklist for Filling Board Vacancies by Appointment; **Policy 2:120** - Board Member Development; **Policy 2:120-E1** – Guidelines for Serving as a Mentor to a New School Board Member; **Policy 2:120-E2** – Website Listing of Development and Training Completed by Board Members; **Policy 2:125** –

Board Member Compensation; Expenses; **Policy 2:125-E1** – Board Member Expense Reimbursement Form; **Policy 2:125-E2** – Board Member Estimated Expenses Approval Form; **Policy 2:130** – Board-Superintendent Relationship; **Policy 2:200** – Types of School Board Meetings; **Policy 2:220** – School Board Meeting Procedure; **Policy 2:220-E1** – Board Treatment of Closed Meeting Verbatim Recordings and Minutes; **Policy 2:220-E2** – Motion to Adjourn to Closed Meeting; **Policy 2:220-E4** – Open Meeting Minutes; **Policy 2:220-E5** – Semi-Annual Review of Closed Meeting Minutes; **Policy 2:220-E6** – Log of Closed Meeting Minutes; **Policy 2:220-E7** – Access to Closed Meeting Minutes and Verbatim Recordings; **Policy 2:220-E8** – School Board Records Maintenance Requirements and FAQs; **Policy 2:240-E1** – PRESS Issue Updates; **Policy 2:240-E2** – Developing Local Policy; **Policy 3:10** – Goals and Objectives; **Policy 3:30** – Chain of Command; **Policy 4:60** – Purchases and Contracts; **Policy 4:80** – Accounting and Audits; **Policy 4:110** – Transportation; **Policy 4:175** – Convicted Child Sex Offender; Criminal Background Check and/or Screening; Notifications; **Policy 5:10** – Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment; **Policy 5:60** – Expenses; **Policy 5:60-E1** – Employee Expense Reimbursement Form; **Policy 5:60-E2** – Employee Estimated Expense Approval Form; **Policy 5:100** – Staff Development Program; **Policy 5:125** – Personal Technology and Social Media; Usage and Conduct; **Policy 5:150** – Personnel Records; **Policy 5:185** – Family and Medical Leave; **Policy 5:190** – Teacher Qualifications; **Policy 5:240** – Suspension; **Policy 5:250** – Leaves of Absence; **Policy 5:260** – Student Teachers; **Policy 5:280** – Duties and Qualifications; **Policy 5:330** – Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, and Leaves; **Policy 6:15** – School Accountability; **Policy 6:50** – School Wellness; **Policy 6:60** – Curriculum Content; **Policy 6:100** – Using Animals in the Educational Program; **Policy 6:145** – Migrant Students; **Policy 6:160** – English Learners; **Policy 6:170** – Title I Program; **Policy 6:235** – Access to Electronic Networks; **Policy 6:255** – Assemblies and Ceremonies; **Policy 6:310** – High School Credit for Non-District Experiences; Course Substitutions; Re-entering Students; **Policy 6:340** – Student Testing and Assessment Program; **Policy 7:50** – School Admissions and Student Transfers To and From Non-District Schools; **Policy 7:60** – Residence; **Policy 7:70** – Attendance and Truancy; **Policy 7:250** – Student Support Services; **Policy 7:260** – Exemption from Physical Education; **Policy 7:270** – Administering Medicines to Students; **Policy 7:280** – Communicable and Chronic Infectious Disease; **Policy 7:285** – Food Allergy Management Program; **Policy 7:305** – Student Athlete Concussions and Head Injuries; **Policy 7:310** – Restrictions on Publications; Elementary Schools; **Policy 7:315** – Restrictions on Publications; High Schools; **Policy 7:340** – Student Records; **Policy 8:70** – Accommodating Individuals with Disabilities; **Policy 8:90** – Parent, Organizations, and Booster Clubs; **Policy 8:110** – Public Suggestions and Concerns.

10. The Board approved a Life/Safety Amendment to do roof work at West Central Middle School as presented. This work will take place Summer 2017.
11. The Board adopted a Resolution to Reclassify the WCMS Assistant Principal position to a Physical Education position for the 2017-2018 school year as presented.
12. The Board reviewed and heard reports from the building principals; Jason Kirby, Athletic Director; Melinda Frakes, District Technology Coordinator; and Shaila Ayer, District Psychologist and Special Education Director.

13. The Board discussed proposed student fees for 2017-2018. It was proposed to increase lunch prices by \$.10 as a result of a mandate to do so and to increase the fee for Culinary Occupations I from \$35 to \$50 and the fee for Orientation to Industrial Arts from \$15 to \$25. All other fees would remain the same. The Board discussed waiving the fees for Art classes and Industrial Arts classes.
14. The Board heard a report from the most recent Building and Grounds Committee meeting and discussed a variety of projects to be completed Summer 2017 and in the future.
15. Superintendent Markey presented the Board with some potential options to meet the needs of the West Central Middle School staff and students with the elimination of the West Central Middle School Assistant Principal position.
16. Superintendent Markey presented the Board with some potential bussing solutions due to the difficulties of securing substitute bus drivers. We currently have four individuals in the process of getting trained. In the meantime, we will work with West Prairie to potentially share some of their substitute bus drivers when they are not using them.
17. Mr. Kirby informed the Board that he had been approached by some community members with an offer to donate some materials, equipment use, and labor to re-sod the football field over the summer. If this were to occur, there would be a need for a sufficient watering system to maintain the field. The Board discussed possible options for a watering system.
18. Superintendent Markey asked the Board for permission to explore other health insurance options for the West Central staff. The Board granted this permission. This process will potentially take 12-18 months.
19. The Board reviewed quotes for the installation of security cameras in each of our facilities. If approved, these cameras would be installed in the summer of 2017.
20. Superintendent Markey discussed with the Board the desire to work with Dr. Donna McCaw to conduct a meeting with our stakeholders in each of our communities in order to seek input to create a Vision for the West Central School District. With this input, the Board, administrative team, and staff would then be able to review, modify, and set new goals for the District.
21. The Board took the following action in regards to personnel:
 - approved the employment of Matthew Stewart as WC District Music Instrumental Teacher,
 - approved the employment of Bonita Worthington as a WCES teacher,
 - approved the employment of Tom Williams as a WCHS Assistant Football Coach,
 - approved the employment of Allie Rothzen as the WCHS Cheerleading Coach,
 - accepted the resignation of Jason Kilburn as the WCHS Head Girls' Basketball Coach,

- accepted the resignation of Jason Kilburn as the WCMS 8th Grade Girls' Basketball Coach,
 - accepted the resignation of Josh Harkness as a WCHS Assistant Football Coach, and
 - approved raising the regular route bus driver pay for substitutes to \$75.00 per day per driver effective May 1, 2017.
22. The Board entered closed session at 8:37 p.m. to discuss matters related to personnel and contract. The Board exited closed session at 9:45 p.m.
 23. The Board was reminded that the next regularly scheduled meeting will be Wednesday, May 17, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the West Central Elementary cafeteria, and the Board Reorganization Special Meeting will be Tuesday, May, 2017.
 24. There being no other business to come before the Board, the Board adjourned their meeting at 9:45 p.m.