

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF WEST CENTRAL COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #235 HELD IN THE ELEMENTARY CAFETERIA ON APRIL 17, 2019.

The meeting was called to order by President Arnold at 6:00 pm in the Elementary Cafeteria. The following board members answered roll call: Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye. President Arnold declared a quorum present. Also present were Superintendent Markey, K. Lafary, J. Peters, J. Kirby, S. Tucker, A. Frieden, S. Ayer, M. Frakes, W. Stewart, J. Hennenfent, N. Clark, and SIP Teams from each building.

CALL TO ORDER

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

PLEDGE

GOOD NEWS ITEMS

Under good news items the following items were highlighted:

- Congratulations to our Regional Office of Education #33 Excellence in Education Award recipients: Jessica Burrell, Amy Olson, and Belinda Atlogic!
- Congratulations to our OSF Nutrition Poster Contest Winners: Liam Sullivan, Maci Murray, Wyatt Goff, Hayli Strange, Zari McCraw, Ayva Hicks, and Makayla Bennett.
- West Central Middle School will be starting our Therapeutic Thursdays where teachers are invited to participate in the Physical Education classes during their prep periods. This will provide our teachers with an opportunity to get some physical activity while bonding with students outside of their classes.
- West Central Middle School has also started to allow students who arrive to school early to do some physical activity. Previously the students were required to sit in the bleachers.
- West Central faculty, staff, and students did a fantastic job during the first two days of IAR testing.
- We have new Guests and Home signs in the gym that Alyssa made that replace the paper ones.
- The 8th grade boys won their first track meet and Kaiden Droste broke two 8th grade track records in the 100 and 400.
- The West Central Middle School play will be May 2-4.
- West Central High School students and staff assisted the Oquawka Township with sandbagging on Friday, April 5. Students and staff filled over 2,000 sandbags.
- The West Central High School play, Beauty and the Beast was phenomenal and well attended! We have some very talented individuals at West Central.
- Ebony Thompson broke the school record in the discus with 97' 7 1/2" and shot put with 35' in a recent track meet.
- Sadie Lenz broke the school record in triple jump with 34'10" in a recent track meet.

GOOD NEWS ITEMS

- The middle school Harry Potter Club competed in a Quidditch match with students from Monmouth College.

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Bigger, seconded by Clark to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call: Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVE  
AGENDA

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE REQUEST FOR PRESENTATION

There was no one in attendance to address the board on any of the agenda items during the audience request for presentation.

RECOGNITION  
OF AUDIENCE

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- The minutes of the regular meeting of March 20, 2019;
- The closed session minutes of March 20, 2019;
- The payment of all bills;
- The March 2019 activity account summaries for West Central Elementary School, West Central Middle School, West Central High School;
- The Treasurer’s Report for March 2019;

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

CONSENT  
AGENDA

DISCUSSION ITEMS

The Board heard electronic and oral presentations from the building School Improvement Plan teams regarding their proposed School Improvement Plans. Each presentation was followed by a question/answer session. After the final presentation, the Board thanked the teams for their work over the course of the last year in developing these plans and for their presentations.

SIP PLANS

The Board discussed two proposed 2019-2020 school calendars presented by Superintendent Markey.

2019-2020  
CALENDAR

The Board discussed proposed student fees for 2019-2020. All fees would remain the same with the exception of lunch prices. It was proposed to possibly increase lunch prices by \$.10 as a result of a possible mandate to do so. The District is waiting for the calculation tool to become available to determine if this will be necessary.

REGIST FEES

The Board was presented with and discussed proposed FFA Trapshooting/Archery Competition guidelines.

FFA TRAP  
SHOOTING

The Board discussed the continuation of selecting Student Representatives to the Board of Education. It was decided to proceed with this process and to select two representatives for the 2019-2020 school year from those that apply. The Board directed Superintendent Markey to prepare and disseminate the applications.

STUDENT  
REPRESENTATIVE

Each member of the Board was presented with the book The Art of Boardmanship by Jim Burgett as a resource and discussed scheduling a Special Board meeting for the purpose of Board training with Mr. Burgett called Boardmanship 101. The Board directed Superintendent Markey to gather information about this training.

BD TRAINING

### REPORTS

Under reports, the Board heard summaries from their written reports from Mrs. Lafary, Mr. Peters, Mr. Kirby, Mrs. Frakes, Mrs. Ayer and Mr. Tucker.

REPORTS

### ACTION ITEMS

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to approve the proclamation regarding National Teacher Appreciation Day and National Teacher Appreciation Week as presented. Roll call: Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye. Motion carried.

TEACHER APPRECIATION

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to approve the Support Staff Proclamation as presented. Roll call: Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye. Motion carried.

SUPPORT STAFF APPRECIATION

Motion by Clark, seconded by Lumbeck to approve the West Central C.U.S.D. #235 Acceleration Policy as presented. Roll call: Schaley, aye; Spence, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye. Motion carried.

ACCELERATION POLICY

Motion by Lumbeck, seconded by Bigger, to approve the West Central C.U.S.D. #235 Consolidated District Plan as presented. Roll call: Spence, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

CONCOLIDATED DISTRICT PLAN

The motion to approve the bid for the elementary restroom work from Hein Construction Company, Inc. was tabled.

BID FOR ELEM RESTROOMS

Motion by Clark, seconded by Lenahan to approve the request of Jayde Henry to attend West Central High School half days during the 2019-2020 school year as presented. Roll call: Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye. Motion carried.

WCHS STUDENT ½ DAY ATTEND

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to approve the request of Macy Bengé to attend West Central High School half days during the 2019-2020 school year as presented. Roll call: Schaley, aye; Spence, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye. Motion carried.

WCHS STUDENT ½ DAY ATTEND

Motion by Lumbeck, seconded by Schaley to approve the purchase of a 15' flex wing grooming mower from JCB in the amount of \$11,550 as presented. Roll call: Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye. Motion carried.

GROOMING MOWER

Motion by Clark, seconded by Lumbeck to approve the proposed changes to the following Board policies as presented on First Reading: **Policy 2:20** – Powers and Duties of the Board of Education; Indemnification, **Policy 2:40** – Board Member Qualifications, **Policy 2:50** – Board Member Term Office, **Policy 2:60** – Board Member Removal from Office, **Policy 4:30** – Revenues and Investments, **Policy 4:100** – Insurance Management, **Policy 4:110** – Transportation, **Policy 4:150** – Facility Management and Building Programs, **Policy 4:160** – Environmental Quality of Buildings and Grounds, **Policy 4:190** – Targeted School Violence Prevention Program, **Policy 5:330** – Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, and Leaves, **Policy 6:15** – School Accountability, **Policy 6:65** – Student Social and Emotional Development, and **Policy 8:95** – Parental Involvement. Roll call: Spence, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

BOARD  
POLICIES

#### FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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

FUTURE  
AGENDA  
ITEMS

#### CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Bigger, seconded by Clark to adjourn to closed meeting pursuant of the Illinois Open Meetings Act - 5ILCS 120/2 (2)(16) at 8:11 pm to discuss the following subjects:

CLOSED  
SESSION

- A. 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;
- B. Collective negotiating matters between the school board and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees;
- C. Student disciplinary cases;
- D. The placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students.
- E. Emergency security procedures and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to actual danger to the safety of employees, students, staff or public property.

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

The Board took a short break and reconvened in the Unit Office Conference room at 8:15 pm. Roll call: Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye.

Motion by Spence, seconded by Arnold to return to open meeting at 9:40 pm. Roll call: Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye. Motion carried.

The Board took a short break and reconvened in the elementary cafeteria at 9:44 pm. Roll call: Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye.

PERSONNEL ACTION

Motion by Spence, seconded by Clark to approve the intent to retire of Joni Alecock as a District Cook as presented with thanks for her service to the district. Roll call: Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye. Motion carried.

J. ALECOCK  
-RETIRE

Motion by Lumbeck, seconded by Clark to approve the resignation of Leigh Erlandson as an Art Teacher as presented with thanks for her service to the district. Roll call: Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye. Motion carried.

L. ERLANDSON  
-RESIGN

Motion by Bigger, seconded by Clark to approve the resignation of Debra Paulus as a Part-Time District Cook as presented with thanks for her service to the district. Roll call: Schaley, aye; Spence, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye. Motion carried.

D. PAULUS  
-RESIGN

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to approve the employment of Rhonna Hand as a West Central Elementary School teacher as presented pending completion of all pre-employment requirements and evidence of licensure. Roll call: Schaley, aye; Spence, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye. Motion carried.

R. HAND  
-EMPLOY  
WCES  
TEACHER

Motion by Lenahan, seconded by Bigger to approve the employment of Bobby Allaman as a Temporary Part-Time District Associate for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year as presented pending completion of all pre-employment requirements. Roll call: Spence, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

B. ALLAMAN  
-EMPLOY  
WCES TEMP  
P/T ASSOC

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to approve the employment of Ben Alexander as a West Central High School Science teacher as presented pending completion of all pre-employment requirements and evidence of licensure. Roll call: Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye. Motion carried.

B. ALEXANDER  
-EMPLOY WCHS  
SCIENCE  
TEACHER

Motion by Lumbeck, seconded by Schaley to approve the employment of Shane Tucker as the West Central High School Girls' Basketball Coach as presented. Roll call: Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye; Arnold, aye. Motion carried.

S. TUCKER  
-EMPOLY  
WCHS GBb  
COACH

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to approve the resignation of Leigh Erlandson as the West Central High School Art Club Sponsor as presented with thanks for her service to the district. Roll call: Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye. Motion carried.

L. ERLANDSON  
-RESIGN

Motion by Clark, seconded by Lenahan to approve the resignation of Leigh Erlandson as a West Central High School Sophomore Class Sponsor as presented with thanks for her service to the district. Roll call: Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye. Motion carried.

L. ERLANDSON  
-RESIGN

FUTURE MEETING DATE

The Board was reminded that the next meeting is the Board Reorganization meeting on April 30, 2019, and that the next regular scheduled meeting is May 15, 2019. Each meeting is scheduled to begin at 6:00 pm.

FUTURE MTG

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Spence, seconded by Lumbeck to adjourn at 9:48 pm. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

THESE MINUTES ARE APPROVED AS WRITTEN THIS 15th DAY OF MAY 2019.

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Jodi Arnold, Board President

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Malinda Clark, Board Secretary