

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF WEST CENTRAL COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #235 HELD IN THE ELEMENTARY CAFETERIA ON FEBRUARY 19, 2020.

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, W. Stewart, E. Jones, N. Bitner, E. Keever, L. Beelman and N. Clark.

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:

- West Central Elementary School hosted our Pastries with Parents program entitle “Winter Wonders” and 90 families were in attendance!
- West Central Elementary School participated in the World Read Aloud Day (WRAD) on February 5th. We had several guest readers in the classroom and we were honored to have Anne Grall Reichel, author of *The United Forest of Kind*, visit our building. She gave away several signed copies of her book!
- 3rd grade students participated in the annual Ag Day, which is sponsored by the Henderson/Warren County Farm Bureau. What a fantastic partnership!
- West Central #235 received a \$500 donation from the United Methodist Church to be applied toward unpaid lunch account.
- West Central #235’s newly formed E-Sports Club was featured on Channel 8 news on February 10, 2020.
- Congratulations to Wesley Stewart on his appointment to the Air Force Academy.

GOOD NEWS ITEMS

APPROVE AGENDA

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

APPROVE AGENDA

- VIII. Discussion Items
 N. Bitner, CTE System Director

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

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE REQUEST FOR PRESENTATION

Emma Keever addressed the Board regarding her request to graduate early.

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE

CONSENT AGENDA

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

CONSENT AGENDA

- The minutes of the regular meeting of January 15, 2020;

- The closed session minutes of January 15, 2020;
- The payment of all bills;
- The January 2020 activity account summaries for West Central Elementary School, West Central Middle School;
- The Treasurer's Report for January 2020;

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

DISCUSSION ITEMS

The Board was presented information regarding Career and Technical Education (CTE) by Delabar System Director Nancy Bitner

N. BITNER
-CTE SYSTEM
DIRECTOR

The Board briefly reviewed the proposed 2020-2021 school calendar. As a result of this discussion, the Board directed Superintendent Markey to bring the calendar back to the March Board meeting for approval.

2020-2021
CALENDAR

The Board was notified that they are mandated reporters under the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act.

MANDATED
REPORTERS

The Board discussed the possibility of establishing a WCMS Softball program.

MS SOFTBALL
PROGRAM

Superintendent Markey updated the Board regarding deeding a small parcel of District property in Stronghurst to the Village of Stronghurst.

DEED PROPERTY
TO THE
VILLAGE OF
STRONGHURST

REPORTS

The Board reviewed and heard reports from the building principals; Shane Tucker, Athletic Director and Shaila Ayer, Psychologist and Special Education Director.

REPORTS

ACTION ITEMS

Motion by Spence, seconded by Clark to approve the lease of a 2018 Chevy Cruze LT from Bruce Foote Chevrolet of Monmouth in the amount of \$150 per month with two payments of \$900.00 at six month intervals as presented. Roll call: Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye. Motion carried

DR ED CAR
LEASE

Motion by Clark, seconded by Lenahan to approve the request from Laurel Beelman to graduate at the end of 1st semester of the 2020-2021 school year as presented, pending completion of all graduation requirements. Roll call: Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye. Motion carried.

WCHS
STUDENT TO
GRAD EARLY

Motion by Lenahan, seconded by Clark to approve the request from Emma Keever to graduate at the end of 1st semester of the 2020-2021 school year as presented, pending completion of all graduation requirements. Roll call: Schaley, aye; Spence, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye. Motion carried.

WCHS
STUDENT TO
GRAD EARLY

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger, to approve the request from Halee Porter to attend half days during the 2020-2021 school year as presented. Roll call: Spence, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

WCHS
STUDENT ½
DAY ATTEND

Motion by Lumbeck, seconded by Bigger, to approve the Resolution to Authorize the Sale of Mobile Classrooms on the South Campus as presented. Roll call: Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye. Motion carried.

RESOL TO
SALE MOBILE
CLASSROOMS

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger the Board approve the following job descriptions for Maintenance Director, Head Custodian, Custodian, Transportation Director/Grounds Keeper, and Bus Driver as presented. Roll call: Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye; Arnold, aye. Motion carried.

JOB
DESCRIPTIONS

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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

FUTURE
AGENDA
ITEMS

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Spence, seconded by Bigger to adjourn to closed meeting pursuant of the Illinois Open Meetings Act - 5ILCS 120/2 (2)(16) at 6:57 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. Student discipline;

C. The placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students;

D. Superintendent Evaluation.

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 7:05 pm. Roll call: Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye.

Motion by Lumbeck, seconded by Bigger to return to open meeting at 7:57 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 7:59 pm. Roll call: Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye.

PERSONNEL ACTION

Motion by Spence, seconded by Bigger to approve the retirement of Tamyra Rankin as a West Central Middle School Science Teacher effective the last day of the 2019-2020 school year 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.

T. RANKIN
-RETIRE WCMS
SCIENCE
TEACHER

Motion by Clark, seconded by Lenahan to approve the resignation of Gayla Todd as District Associate as presented. Roll call: Schaley, aye; Spence, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye. Motion carried.

G. TODD
-RESIGN DIST
ASSOC

Motion by Bigger, seconded by Lenahan the Board approve the employment of Emily Schaley as a West Central High School Secretary as presented per the WCATS contract and pending completion of all pre-employment requirements. Roll call: Spence, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, abstained. Motion carried.

E. SCHALEY
-EMPLOY
WCHS
SECRETARY

Motion by Spence, seconded by Bigger the Board approve the employment of Amanda Foley as a District Associate as presented per the WCATS contract and pending completion of all pre-employment requirements. Roll call: Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye. Motion carried.

A. FOLEY
-EMPLOY DIST
ASSOC

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger the Board approve the employment of Catherine Davis as a part-time Title I Associate pending completion of all pre-employment requirements. Roll call: Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye; Arnold, aye. Motion carried.

C. DAVIS
-EMPLOY P/T
TITLE I ASSOC

FUTURE MEETING DATE

The Board was reminded that the next regularly scheduled meeting will be Wednesday, March 18, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the West Central Elementary cafeteria.

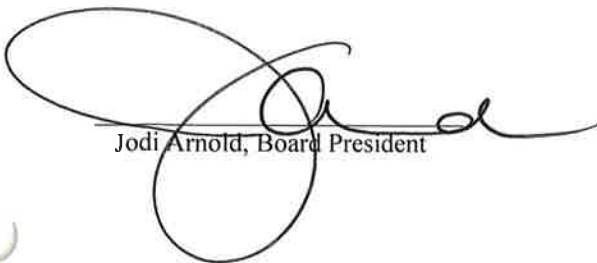
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ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to adjourn at 8:04 pm. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

THESE MINUTES ARE APPROVED AS WRITTEN THIS 18th DAY OF MARCH 2020.



Jodi Arnold, Board President



Malinda Clark, Board Secretary