MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF WEST CENTRAL C.U.S.D. #235 BOARD OF EDUCATION HELD IN THE WEST CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL GYMNASIUM ON AUGUST 18, 2021

The meeting was called to order by President Schaley at 6:01 p.m. in the West Central Middle School Gymnasium. The following board members answered roll call: Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye, Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Vancil, aye. President Schaley declared a quorum present. Also present were Superintendent Markey, via zoom, K. Lafary, J. Peters, J. Kirby, J. Zaiser, W. Alexander, N. Clark, approximately 65 – 70 student, staff, community members and approximately 85 via zoom.

CALL TO ORDER

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

PLEDGE

GOOD NEWS ITEMS

Under good news items the following items were highlighted:

• West Central C.U.S.D. #235 received a \$5,000.00 donation from the Twomey Foundation.

GOOD NEWS

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Clark, seconded by Vancil to approve the agenda with the following deletion: XI.E. Consider Approval of Tentative FY22 District Budget

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

APPROVE AGENDA

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE REQUEST FOR PRESENTATION

The following students, parents, community members and staff addressed the Board regarding Governor Pritzker's Executive Order 2021-18 and to IDPH/ISBE COVID-19 Related Guidelines: Lacey Thacker, Niven Gray, Denise Strack, Sherri Walters, Rachel Mann, Josh Higgins, Kurt McChesney, Charlotte Ackermann, Jessica Burrell, Steph Evans, Mary-Grace Carlson, Morgan Lewis, Laura Lewis, Christopher Ford, Olivia Gray and Lauren Chockley.

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE

The Board decided not have a tour of West Central Middle School.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- The minutes of the regular meeting of July 21, 2021;
- The minutes of the special meeting of August 10, 2021;
- The payment of all bills;
- The activity accounts for June and July for WCHS, WCMS and WCES;
- The Treasurer's Report for July 2021;

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

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SENT AGENDA

DISCUSSION ITEMS

There were no discussion items on the agenda.

REPORTS

The Board reviewed and heard reports from the building principals K. Lafary, J. Peters, J. Kirby and from Joel Zaiser, District Athletic Director.

REPORTS

ACTION ITEMS

Motion by Arnold, seconded by Lumbeck to follow Governor Pritzers Executive Order 2021-18 and to IDPH/ISBE COVID Related Guidelines. Roll call: Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, nay; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, nay; Schaley, nay. Motion carried.

GOV EXEC ORDER 2021-18

Motion by Clark, seconded by Lumbeck to approve the proposed Board Policy Revisions on 1st reading as presented. Roll call: Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye. Motion carried.

BOARD POLICY

Motion by Bigger, seconded by Clark to accept the monetary gift from Twomey Foundation as presented. Roll call: Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye. Motion carried.

TWOMEY FOUNDATION GIFT

Motion by Bigger, seconded by Lenahan to remain with the original Midwest Bus Lease contract of 3 years as presented. Roll call: Vancil, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye, Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

MIDWEST BUS LEASE

Motion by Bigger, seconded Clark to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with Delabar CTE System as presented. Roll call: Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye. Motion carried.

DELABAR CTE SYSTEM AGREEMENT

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Clark, seconded by Vancil to adjourn to closed meeting pursuant of the Illinois Open Meetings Act - 5ILCS 120/2 (2)(16) at 7:28 p.m. 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. The placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students.

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

The Board took a short break and reconvened in the West Central Middle School Art Room at 7:31 p.m. Roll call: Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye, Vancil, aye.

Motion by Lumbeck, seconded by Bigger to return to open session at 8:18 p.m. Roll call: Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye, Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Vancil, aye. Motion carried.

The Board took a short break and reconvened in the West Central Middle School Gymnasium at 8:20 p.m. Roll call: Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Vancil, aye.

PERSONNEL ACTION

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to approve the retirement of Karen Furnald as a district cook as presented with thanks for her service to the district. Roll call: Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, aye. Motion carried.

K. FURNALD -RETIRE DIST COOK

The motion to accept the retirement of Jane Alexander effective September 14, 2021 was tabled.

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to approve the maternity leave request from Miranda Gullberg as presented. Roll call: Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye. Motion carried.

M. GULLBERG -MATERNITY LEAVE

Motion by Clark, seconded by Lumbeck to approve the resignation of Amanda Leng as a WCES Pre-K Teacher as presented and with thanks for her service to the district. Roll call: Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye. Motion carried.

A. LENG -RESIGN PRE-K TEACHER

Motion by Lumbeck, seconded by Clark to approve the resignation of Matthew Richardson as a full-time district custodian as presented. Roll call: Schaley, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye. Motion carried.

M. RICHARDSON -RESIGN DIST CUSTODIAN

Motion by Arnold, seconded by Bigger to approve the resignation of Rachelle Evans as WCHS Business/Social Studies Teacher as presented. Roll call: Vancil, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye, Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

R. EVANS -RESIGN WCHS TEACHER

Motion by Clark, seconded by Lumbeck to approve the resignation of Susan Bundy as a district associate as presented with thanks for her service to the district. Roll call: Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye. Motion carried.

S. BUNDY -RESIGN DIST ASSOCIATE Motion by Clark, seconded by Vancil to approve the employment of James Blender as a WCHS Long-Term Physical Education Substitute as presented pending completion of all pre-employment requirements. Roll call: Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye. Motion carried.

J. BLENDER
-EMPOLY
LONG TERM
P.E. SUB

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to approve the employment of Sara Ryner as the WCES Assistant Principal as presented pending completion of all pre-employment requirements. Roll call: Schaley, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, aye: Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye. Motion carried.

S. RYNER
-EMPLOY
WCES ASSIST
PRINCIPAL

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to approve the employment of Gina Johnson as a WCES Full-Time District Associate pending completion of all pre-employment requirements as presented. Roll call: Vancil, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

G. JOHNSON -EMPLOY DIST ASSOCIATE

Motion by Bigger, seconded by Lenahan to approve the employment of Trisha Forquer as a Full-Time Special Education Associate pending completion of all pre-employment requirements as presented. Roll call: Schaley, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye. Motion carried.

T. FORQUER
-EMPLOY SP
ED ASSOCIATE

Motion by Clark, seconded by Vancil to approve the employment of Mary Casey as a substitute bus driver as presented pending completion of all pre-employment requirements. Roll call: Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Vancil, aye. Motion carried.

M. CASEY
-EMPLOY SUB
BUS DRIVER

Motion by Bigger, seconded by Lenahan to approve the employment of Erin White as a WCMS Full-Time Title I Associate pending completion of all pre-employment requirements. Roll call: Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, aye. Motion carried.

E. WHITE
-EMPLOY
TITLE I
ASSOCIATE

Motion by Lumbeck, seconded by Clark to approve Bryan Spence as a WCMS Volunteer Baseball Coach as presented pending completion of all coaching requirements. Roll call: Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye. Motion carried.

B. SPENCE'
-VOL WCMS Bb
COACH

Motion by Bigger, seconded by Lenahan to approve the 2020-2021 Extra Duty Assignments as presented. Roll call: Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye. Motion carried.

FY22 EXTRA DUTY ASSIGN

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to approve the contract for Joel Zaiser, WCHS Assistant Principal/Athletic Director as presented. Roll call: Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye. Motion carried.

J. ZAISER CONTRACT

Motion by Clark, seconded by Vancil to approve the contract for Kendrah Ruebush, School Counselor as presented. Roll call: Schaley, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye. Motion carried.

K. RUEBUSH CONTRACT

FUTURE MEETING DATE

The Board was reminded that the next regularly scheduled meeting will be Wednesday, September 22, 2021. A public hearing on the FY22 District Budget will be held at 5:30 p.m. The hearing will be followed by the introduction of new staff members to the Board. The regular September Board Meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. and be held in the elementary cafeteria.

FUTURE MTG

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Clark seconded by Bigger to adjourn at 8:27 p.m. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

THESE MINUTES ARE APPROVED AS WRITTEN THIS 22nd DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2021.

Brendan Schaley, Board President

Malinda Clark, Board Secretary