

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF WEST CENTRAL COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #235 HELD IN THE ELEMENTARY CAFETERIA ON JULY 21, 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, via Zoom; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye. President Arnold declared a quorum present. Also present were Superintendent Markey, J. Kirby, J. Peters, S. Tucker, A. Frieden, M. Frakes, K. Lafary, via Zoom. Also present were several staff and community members.

CALL TO ORDER

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

PLEDGE

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Clark, seconded by Lenahan 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 were no comments from the audience.

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Superintendent Markey once again cautioned the Board that approving a plan that did not allow for the requirements of the Illinois State Board of Education, including six feet of social distancing, to be followed could be considered willful and wanton negligence, and that the District and each Board member could be held individually liable. Superintendent Markey again communicated to the Board that she recommended a hybrid Reopening Plan where students are separated into two groups with one group attending in-person on Mondays and Tuesdays, the other group attending in-person on Thursdays and Fridays, and with Wednesdays being a Remote Learning Day for all students. She communicated that this plan would allow for greater social distancing both on the school bus and in the school buildings and would reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19 by having half of the students in attendance at one time. She communicated that this would also allow a slower approach to in-person learning, allowing the staff to more efficiently implement the other requirements and guidelines as outlined by the Illinois State Board of Education. Superintendent Markey told the Board that a full-in person plan would not allow for six feet of social distancing, and she did not recommend going with a plan that would not allow for six feet of social distancing to be followed.

REOPENING FY21 SCHOOL

ACTION ITEMS

Motion by Arnold, seconded by Bigger to approve the resolution affirming reopening of school plan for the 2020-2021 school year with students will attend in-person two (2) days per week and remote learn three (3) days per week as presented. Roll call Bigger, nay; Clark, nay; Lenahan, nay; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, nay; Spence, nay; Arnold, aye. Motion failed.

RESOLUTION OF SCHOOL PLAN TO RE-OPEN

Motion by Spence, seconded by Schaley to approve the resolution affirming reopening of school plan for the 2020-2021 school year with students will attend in-person five (5) days per week as presented. Roll call: Clark, aye; Lenahan, nay; Lumbeck, nay; Schlaey, aye; Spence, aye; Bigger, nay; Arnold, nay. Motion failed.

RESOLUTION  
OF SCHOOL  
PLAN TO RE-  
OPEN

Motion by Spence, seconded by Bigger to approve the resolution affirming reopening of school plan for the 2020-2021 school year with students will attend in-person four (4) days per week and remote learn one (1) day per week as presented. Roll call: Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, nay; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Arnold, nay. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION  
OF SCHOOL  
PLAN TO RE-  
OPEN

Motion by Clark, seconded by Spence to approve opening a bank account at Midwest Bank in Oquawka for the purpose of collecting registration and fee payments via RevTrak as presented. Roll call: Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye. Motion carried.

OPENING BAN  
ACCT FOR  
REVTRAK

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to approve the following board policy revisions on 1<sup>st</sup> reading: **1.** Policy 2:125 – Board Member Compensation; Expenses **2.** Policy 2:125-E2 Exhibit – Board Member Estimated Expense Approval Form **3.** Policy 2:125-E1 Exhibit – Board Member Expense Reimbursement Form **4.** Policy 2:160 – Board Attorney **5.** Policy 2:160-E Exhibit – Checklist for Selecting a Board Attorney **6.** Policy 2:220 – School Board Meeting Procedure **7.** Policy 2:220-E2 Exhibit – Motion to Adjourn to Closed Meeting **8.** Policy 2:220-E6 Exhibit – Log of Close Meeting Minutes **9.** Policy 2:220-E9 Exhibit – Requirements for No Physical Presence of Quorum and Participation by Audio or Video During Disaster Declaration **10.** Policy 2:70-E Exhibit – Check for Filling Board Vacancies by Appointment **11.** Policy 4:180 – Pandemic Preparedness **12.** Policy 4:50 - Payment Procedures **13.** Policy 5:60 – Expenses **14.** Policy 5:60-E Exhibit – Employee Expense Reimbursement Form **15.** Policy 5:60-E Exhibit – Employee Estimated Expense Approval Form **16.** Policy 5:150 – Personnel Records **17.** Policy 5:20-E Resolution to Prohibit Sexual Harassment **18.** Policy 5:280 – Duties and Qualifications **19.** Policy 6:135 – Accelerated Placement Program **20.** Policy 6:280 – Grading, Promotion, and Retention **21.** Policy 7:40 – Nonpublic School Students, Including Parochial and Home Schooled Students **22.** Policy 7:130 – Student Rights and Responsibilities **23.** Policy 7:190 – Student Behavior **24.** Policy 7:325 – Student Fundraising Activities **25.** Policy 7:340 – Student Records **26.** Policy 7:345 – Use of Educational Technologies; Student Data Privacy and Security **27.** Policy 7:70 – Attendance and Truancy **28.** Policy 7:90 – Release During School Hours **29.** Policy 8:10 – Connection with the Community **30.** Policy 8:110 – Public Suggestions and Concerns **31.** Policy 8:30 – Visitors to and Conduct on School Property **32.** Policy 8:80 – Gifts to the District. Roll call: Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Spence, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, 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

There was no closed session.

CLOSED SESSION

ACTION ITEM

Motion by Spence, seconded by Clark to accept the letter of retirement from Jane Alexander effective August 16, 2024 as presented with thanks for her service to the district. Roll call: Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Specne, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye. Motion carried.

J. ALEXANDER  
-RETIRE WCHS  
TEACHER

Motion by Clark, seconded by Spence to accept the letter of resignation from Rachael Allaman as an elementary teacher effective immediately as presented with thanks for her service to the district. Roll call: Spence, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

R. ALLAMAN  
-RESIGN WCES  
TEACHER

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to accept the letter of resignation from Jenny Adair as West Middle School Student Council Sponsor as presented. Roll call: Schaley, aye; Spence, aye; Arnold, aye; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye. Motion carried.

J. ADAIR  
-RESIGN  
WCMS ST  
COUNCIL

FUTURE MEETING DATE

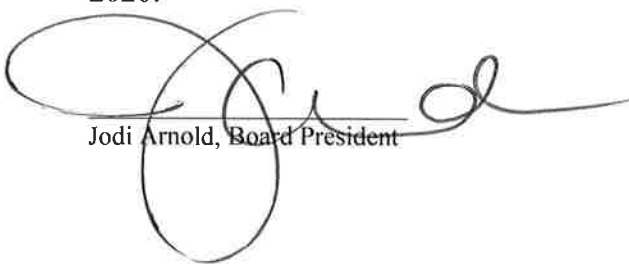
The Board was reminded that the next regular scheduled meeting is August 19, 2020. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 6:00 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

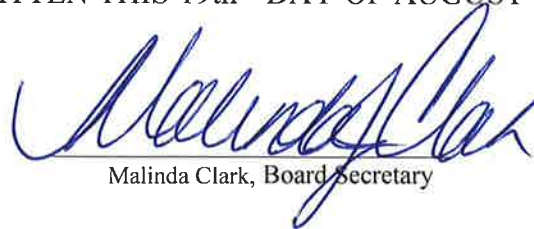
Motion by Spence, seconded by Clark to adjourn at 6:47 p.m. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

THESE MINUTES ARE APPROVED AS WRITTEN THIS 19th DAY OF AUGUST 2020.



Jodi Arnold, Board President



Malinda Clark, Board Secretary