

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF WEST CENTRAL COMMUNITY  
UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #235 HELD IN THE ELEMENTARY CAFETERIA ON  
MAY 25, 2022.

The meeting was called to order by President Schaley at 6:00 p.m. in the Elementary Cafeteria. The following board members answered roll call: Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye, Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Vancil, aye. President Schaley declared a quorum present. Also present were Supt. Markey, J. Kirby, J. Peters, K. Lafary, J. Zaiser, S. Ryner, M. Stewart, J. Bass, L. Nylin, N. Clark, WCES, WCMS and WCHS SIP Teams.

CALL TO  
ORDER

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

PLEDGE

GOOD NEWS ITEMS

- Congratulations to Alexis Daniel and Linny Corzatt for being selected for the Illinois Principals Association (IPA) WCES Student Recognition Program.
- Congratulations to Grace Seitz and Drake Vancil for being selected for the Illinois Principals Association (IPA) WCMS Student Recognition Program.
- Congratulations to Olivia Gray and Ross Vancil for being selected for the Illinois Principals Association (IPA) WCHS Student Recognition Program.
- With the assistance of the kindergarten teachers, WCE collected \$345.00 to donate to the Henderson County Library to be used to purchase materials for the Children's Department.
- We appreciate the Stronghurst Lion's Club and the Henderson County Soil and Conservation group for partnering to provide trees to our 4th grade students in recognition of Arbor Day.
- WCE hosted our spring music concerts and art show. We are very proud of our students and their accomplishments. The Art Awards were presented to the following students: Kindergarten - Jaxon Mueller, 1st - Annabella Torrance, 2nd - John Sury, 3rd - Jacob Chockley, 4th - SinCora Hernandez, and 5th - Linny Corzatt.
- Several of our WC students participated in the 21st Annual Courageous Smiles Invitational at Illini West High School. We are so proud of our student athletes.
- Our third grade students participated in Ag Day, which is sponsored by the Warren/Henderson Farm Bureau. We appreciate their continued partnership.
- Congratulations to Cody Wade on advancing to the state track meet in the 100 and 200 meter.
- Congratulations to Ebony Thompson for placing 8th at the state track meet in shot put.
- Congratulations to Ms. Cory and Mr. Stewart on their outstanding Spring Music performances!
- Congratulations, thank you, and best wishes to Jane Alexander, Susan Bundy, Barry Cisna, Deb Eckley, Jenny Lenz, Jeff Lox, Paula Markey, Laurie Pirtle, and Patty Wood on their retirement!
- Congratulations to Superintendent Markey for being named 2022 IASA Superintendent of Distinction.

GOOD NEWS  
ITEMS

### APPROVE AGENDA

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

APPROVE  
AGENDA

### RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE REQUEST FOR PRESENTATION

Joyce Bass addressed the Board regarding bus drivers meeting with the transportation committee.

RECOGNITION  
OF AUDIENCE

### CONSENT AGENDA

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

CONSENT  
AGENDA

- The minutes of the Hearing for District Employee Tuition Wavier, April 20, 2022;
- The minutes of the Employee Dismissal Hearing, April 20, 2022;
- The minutes of the regular meeting of April 20, 2022;
- The minutes of the Closed Session of April 20, 2022;
- The payment of all bills;
- The West Central Elementary School, West Central Middle School and West Central High School activity accounts for April 2022;
- The Treasurer's Report for April 2022;
- The 2022-2023 Student Fees and applying for a waiver to keep meal prices the same for 2022-2023 school year;
- Award the 2022-2023 dairy products bid to Anderson Erickson Dairy Company;
- Renew the membership in the Illinois Association of School Boards at a cost of \$4,182;
- The request to offer the Behind the Wheel Summer Driver Ed program at a cost not to exceed \$2,500;
- The final 2021-2022 School District Calendar;
- The agreement with McDonough District Hospital for Student Random Drug Testing Program for 2022-2023 as presented.

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

### 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

T. Ouellette on behalf of K. Ruebush presented information to the Board on social and emotional needs of students. With the number of students needing services she is requesting the need of more mental health staff.

REQUEST FOR  
MORE  
MENTAL  
HEALTH  
STAFF

The Board was reminded that it is time for board members to indicate whether or not they will be participating in the School Board Conference in Chicago in November. Board members were encouraged to contact Jaime as soon as possible if they are interested in attending the conference.

IASB  
CONFERENCE

Superintendent Markey presented the Board with the proposed 2022-2023 West Central District Student Handbook. The Board will review these recommended changes over the next four weeks and take action on them at the June 15, 2022, Board meeting.

DIST  
HANDBOOK

The Board discussed a proposal from Amy Olson, WCMS Athletic Director, to compensate individuals who run the scoreboard, keep the book and moderate Scholastic Bowl meets. The proposal suggests a rate of \$30 per event. The Board requested that this be revised to \$30 per night. This will be brought back to the Board at the June Board meeting.

COMPENSATE  
EXTRA-CURR  
WORKERS

The Board discussed a proposal from Amy Olson, WCMS Athletic Director, to compensate coaches/sponsors who transport teams to events. She is proposing we pay them the same hourly rate as we do bus drivers when they transport. They only would be paid this hourly rate for the travel time to and from events. The Board expressed interest and this will be brought back to the Board at the June Board meeting.

COMPENSATE  
COACH/  
SPONSORS THAT  
TRANSPORT  
TEAMS

The Board discussed swimming Co-op with Monmouth-Roseville.

CO-OP SWIM

## REPORTS

The Board reviewed and heard reports from the building principals and athletic director Mr. Zaiser. The Board reviewed reports from District Psychologist and Special Education Director.

REPORTS

## ACTION ITEMS

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to approve the request of Bailie Ferguson and Bailey Ryan to attend West Central High School half days for the 2022-2023 school year so they may pursue CNA and dual credit coursework as presented. Roll call: Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

STUDENTS  
REQUEST TO  
ATTEND ½  
DAYS

Motion by Lumbeck, seconded Bigger to approve the Unland Renewal Quote for our District Insurance Package as presented. Roll call: Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

DIST INS  
PACKAGE  
-UNLAND  
RENEWAL  
QUOTE

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to approve the renewal of District health, dental, eye, and life insurance through ISEBC as presented. Roll call: Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

DIST HEALTH  
INSURANCE

Motion by Bigger, seconded Vancil to approve offering Teledoc Insurance to all part-time employees at the employee's expense as presented. Roll call: Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

TELEDOC  
INSURANCE

The motion to approve the Consolidated District Plans was tabled.

CONSOLD DIST  
PLAN TABLED

Motion by Bigger, seconded by Clark to approve the contract operator services for the wastewater services for the Biggsville campus with Jason McVeigh of Williamsfield, IL as presented. Roll call: Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

WASTERWATER  
SERVICES

Motion by Clark, seconded by Vancil to approve a 3-year lease with Digital Copy Systems, LLC for copiers as presented. Roll call: Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

COPIER LEASE

The motion to approve the purchase of a district vehicle was tabled.

DIST VEHICLE  
TABLED

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to approve the Discipline Improvement Plan for 2022-2023 school year as presented. Roll call: Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

DISTRICT  
IMPROVEMENT  
PLAN

Motion by Lumbeck seconded by Bigger to declare the 1435 Series II John Deere 72" front mount mower, the Landpride batwing with 3, 54" decks, and the structure of the old greenhouse surplus for the purpose of accepting sealed bids on these items. Roll call: Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

DECLARE  
ITEMS  
SURPLUS

Motion by Bigger, seconded by Vancil to authorize Nancy Clark to take the steps necessary to change the signatory names on the West Central District Office Imprest Account at Midwest Bank of Western Illinois from Nancy Clark to Karlie Johnson. Roll call: Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

UNIT OFFICE  
IMPREST ACCT  
SIGNATORY

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to authorize Nancy Clark to take the steps necessary to change the signatory names on the District Credit Card from Paula Markey to Stacey Day and from Nancy Clark to Karlie Johnson. Roll call: Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

CREDIT CARD  
SIGNATORY

Motion by Lumbeck, seconded by Bigger to approve the following board policies on 1<sup>st</sup> reading as presented: **Policy 2:150** – Committees; **Policy 2:230** – Public Participation at Board of Education Meetings and Petitions to the Board; **Policy 4:70** – Resource Conservation; **Policy 5:20** – Workplace Harassment Prohibited; **Policy 5:80** – Court Duty; **Policy 6:80** – Teaching About Controversial Issues; **Policy 6:140** – Education of Homeless Children; **Policy 6:290** – Homework; **Policy 7:15** – Student and Family Privacy Rights; **Policy 7:270** – Administering Medicines to Students. Roll call: Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

BOARD  
POLICIES

Motion by Clark, seconded by Vancil to set June 18, 2022 for the Board Retreat. Roll call: Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

BOARD  
RETREAT

#### 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 Bigger to adjourn to closed meeting pursuant of the Illinois Open Meetings Act - 5ILCS 120/2(2)(16) at 7:42 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 negotiation 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 Discipline Cases;

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

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

The Board took a short break and reconvened in the Unit Office Conference Room at 7:45 p.m. Roll call: Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Vancil, aye.

Motion by Bigger, seconded by Lumbeck, to return to open session at 8:36 p.m. Roll call: Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Vancil, aye. Motion carried.

The Board took a short break and reconvened in the elementary cafeteria at 8:43 p.m. Roll call: Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye; Vancil, aye.

## PERSONNEL ACTION

Motion by Lumbeck, seconded by Bigger to accept the request from Lisa Lox to rescind her retirement pending the approval of a MOU agreement with WCATS for this purpose. Roll call: Schaley, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye. Motion carried.

LISA LOX  
-RESCIND  
RETIRE

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to accept the request from Richard Clifton to rescind his intent to retire as a district paraprofessional. Roll call: Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

R. CLIFTON  
-RESCIND  
RETIRE

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to approve the request for maternity leave from Tiffany Ouellette beginning August 15, 2022 through October 17, 2022 as presented. Roll call: Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

T. OUELLETTE  
-MATERNITY  
LEAVE

Motion by Clark, seconded by Lumbeck to approve the resignation of Melissa Fox as an art teacher effective at the end of the 2021-2022 school year as presented with thanks for her service to the district. Roll call: Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

M. FOX  
-RESIGN ART  
TEACHER

Motion by Clark, seconded by Lumbeck to approve the resignation of Cindy Seibert as a WCHS Part-time Science Teacher effective at the end of the 2021-2022 school year as presented with thanks for her service to the district. Roll call: Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

C. SEIBERT  
-RESIGN WCHS  
P/T SCIENCE  
TEACHER

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to approve the transfer of Julie Ricketts from WCES 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher to a Title Teacher as presented. Roll call: Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

J. RICKETTS  
-TRANSFER 4<sup>TH</sup>  
GRADE TO TITLE  
TEACHER

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to approve the transfer of Cheyenne Lee, from bus monitor to district custodian as presented. Roll call: Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

C. LEE  
-TRANSFER BUS  
MONITOR TO  
CUSTODIAN

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to approve the transfer of Sara Ryner from WCES Assistant Principal to WCMS Principal as presented. Roll call: Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

S. RYNER  
-TRANSFER  
WCES ASSIST  
PRINC TO WCMS  
PRINC

Motion by Lumbeck, seconded by Bigger to approve the transfer of Joe Peters from WCMS Principal to WCES Assistant Principal as presented. Roll call: Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

J. PETERS  
-TRANSFER  
WCMS PRINC TO  
WCES ASSIST  
PRINC

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to approve the employment of Joel Zaiser for WCHS Summer Credit Recovery for Summer 2022 at a rate of \$25.00 per hour and at a cost not to exceed \$5,000 as presented. Roll call: Bigger aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

J. ZAISER  
-EMPLOY  
WCHS  
SUMMER  
RECOVERY

Motion by Clark, seconded by Lumbeck to approve the employment of Tiffany Byers as District Groundskeeper/Custodian as presented per the WCATS contract pending completion of all pre-employment requirements. Roll call: Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

T. BYERS  
-DIST  
GROUNDS/CUST

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to approve the employment of Sean Lyons as a WCHS Math Teacher per the WCATS contract pending completion of all pre-employment requirements and evidence of licensure as presented. Roll call: Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

S. LYONS  
-EMPLOY  
WCHS MATH  
TEACHER

Motion by Bigger, seconded by Lumbeck to approve the employment of Phillip Perzee as a WCHS Science Teacher per the WCATS contract pending completion of all pre-employment requirements and evidence of licensure as presented. Roll call: Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

P. PERZEE  
-EMPLOY  
WCHS  
SCIENCE  
TEACHER

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to approve the employment of Lene Lox as a WCMS ELA Teacher per the WCATS contract pending completion of all licensure and pre-employment requirements as presented. Roll call: Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

L. LOX  
-EMPLOY  
WCMS ELA  
TEACHER

Motion by Bigger, seconded by Clark to approve the employment of Jaclyn Spence as a WCMS Social Studies Teacher per the WCATS contract pending completion of all pre-employment requirements and evidence of licensure as presented. Roll call: Clark aye; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye. Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

J. SPENCE  
-EMPLOY  
WCMS SS  
TEACHER

Motion by Lumbeck, seconded by Bigger to approve the employment of Wade Harman as a District Bus/Van Driver pending completion of all pre-employment requirements. Roll call: Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

W. HARMAN  
-EMPLOY DIST  
BUS/VAN  
DRIVER

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to accept the resignation from Melissa Fox as WCHS Art Club sponsor, with thanks for her service to the district. Roll call: Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

M. FOX  
-RESIGN WCHS  
ART CLUB

Motion by Bigger, seconded by Vancil to approve a 3-year contract for Sara Ryner as West Central Middle School Principal as presented. Roll call: Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

S. RYNER  
-3 YR  
CONTRACT MS  
PRINCIPAL

Motion by Bigger, seconded by Clark to approve a three-year contract for Joel Zaiser as West Central High School Assistant Principal/Athletic Director as presented. Roll call: Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

J. ZAISER  
-3 YR  
CONTRACT HS  
ASSIST  
PRINC/AD

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to approve a three-year contract for Paige Torrance as presented. Roll call: Clark, aye; Lenahan, absent; Lumbeck, aye; Vancil, aye; Arnold, absent; Bigger, aye; Schaley, aye. Motion carried.

P. TORRANCE  
-3 YR  
CONTRACT DIST  
NURSE

#### FUTURE MEETING DATE

The Board was reminded that the next regular Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 15, 2022. The regular June Board Meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. and be held in the elementary cafeteria.

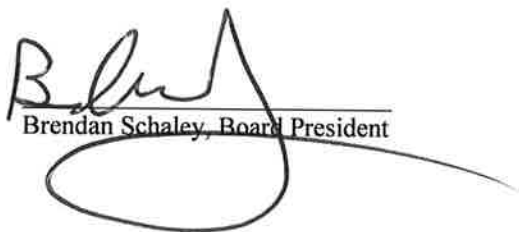
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#### ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to adjourn at 8:50 p.m. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

THESE MINUTES ARE APPROVED AS WRITTEN THIS 15<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2022.



Brendan Schaley, Board President



Malinda Clark, Board Secretary