

**TO: West Central Staff and Community**  
**FROM: Stacey Day, Superintendent**  
**DATE: June 26, 2023**  
**RE: Summary of June 21, 2023, Regular Board of Education Meeting**

Prior to the June 21, 2023, Regular Board Meeting a public hearing was held regarding the Amended FY23 Budget. Present at the hearing were: Brendan Schaley, Dillan Vancil, Mindy Clark, Josh Higgins and Lauren Chockley. Absent were: Sarah Bigger and Karl Gullberg. There were no comments from the public. Superintendent Day discussed the changes to the original budget. Most changes were due to cost increase in supplies and due to the different building projects throughout the year.

At the June 21, 2023 Regular Board of Education Meeting, the following took place:

1. The Regular Board of Education Meeting was called to order by President Schaley at 6:00 pm. Board members present were: Brendan Schaley, Dillan Vancil, Mindy Clark, Karl Gullberg, Lauren Chockley and Josh Higgins. Board members absent: Sarah Bigger. Also present for the meeting were: Superintendent Stacey Day, District Administrators: Sara Ryner, Kathy Lafary, Jason Kirby, Joe Peters, Joel Zaiser and District Technology Coordinator Jeremy Hennings. Others present at the meeting were: Logan Avery.
2. President Schaley led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. The following items were presented as Good News:
  - a. Our Seniors enjoyed the annual Senior Walk by parading down to the elementary where they were welcomed by cheers, posters of congratulations, bubbles and music.
  - b. A big thank you to ALL of our staff who made the 2022-2023 school year a success! We hope they enjoy their summer break and can't wait for August to welcome everyone back in the buildings!
4. The agenda was approved with the deletion of Item 13-I (Employment of District Vocal/Elementary Music Teacher), as the interview process is not complete at this time.
5. There were no comments from the public.
6. The following items were approved as part of the Consent Agenda by a vote of 6-0:
  - a. Meeting Minutes from the Public Hearing FY23 Funds Transfer and Regular Meeting, May 17, 2023
  - b. Meeting Minutes from Closed Session, May 17, 2023
  - c. Meeting Minutes from the Special Meeting, May 31, 2023
  - d. Meeting Minutes from Closed Session, May 31, 2023
  - e. Payment of All Bills
  - f. Approval of May 2023 Activity Account Statements
  - g. Approval of May 2023 Treasurer's Report
  - h. Resignation of Victoria Tapscott as WCHS JV Volleyball Coach
  - i. Resignation of Jackie Biggs as WCHS Assistant Golf Coach
  - j. Resignation of Jonah Marlow as WCHS Assistant Girls' Basketball Coach

- k. Resignation of Betty Waterman as District Bus Driver
  - l. Payment of Athletic Event Worker Pay
    - i. District Employees will be paid (through normal payroll) at a rate of \$20/game for working the scoreboard, book, libero tracker, etc.
    - ii. Non-District Employees will be paid (through imprest accounts) at a rate of \$15/game for working the scoreboard, book, libero tracker, etc.
    - iii. Gate workers will be paid \$30/night
  - m. Approved Authorization to Spend - allowing the district to continue to pay bills until the FY24 official budget is completed in September 2024
7. There was only one FOIA request for this month, from Databid, requesting the bid information on the HS Greenhouse project.
  8. A discussion was held about the July 22, 2023 Board Retreat which will be from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm at the Henderson County Public Library. Board members, administrators and selected WCATS members will be invited to discuss focus areas for the district for the next school year and work to create goals for the future.
  9. The Board discussed sponsoring lunch on the first Teacher Institute Day of the 2023-2024 school year. This is past practice of the Board and discussion was to continue this tradition, with the details to follow in the next few months.
  10. An update on district investments was provided by Superintendent Day. All investments have been re-invested at higher interest rates (between 3%-5%). One remaining CD at IPAVA State Bank matures on June 30, 2023 and Superintendent Day will determine where to invest those funds to earn the highest rate possible for the district.
  11. PRESS Policy Updates Issue 112 was presented for a 1st reading. All policies in this issue were up for general review or 5 year reviews, none of the policies have substantial changes. Issue 112 will be presented during the July Regular Meeting for official adoption.
  12. Principals Kirby, Ryner and Lafary presented their monthly reports to the Board. Athletic Director Zaiser presented his final report wrapping up the school year. Technology Director Hennings presented an updated Technology report to the Board.
  13. The Board approved by a vote of 6-0 meal charges for the 2023-2024 school year. Student breakfast and lunch costs increased \$0.10 from 2022-2023 prices. Adult prices are required to be set a minimum of \$0.50 above the highest lunch cost for students.
  14. The Board approved by a vote of 6-0 an agreement with Transfinder Routing Software for the 2023-2024 school year. Transfinder is a service that will help automate bus routes, with the goal of balancing the time students are on the bus and the length of route times for drivers.
  15. The Board approved by a vote of 6-0 the Amended FY23 Budget. The Budget will be submitted to ISBE, posted on the district website and sent to the county clerk.
  16. After a lengthy discussion, the Board approved by a vote of 5-1 (Gullberg vote nay) to move forward with a new greenhouse for the high school.
  17. The Board was reminded to request future agenda items to President Schaley or Superintendent Day.
  18. The Board then moved to Closed Session at 7:30 pm and returned to open session at 8:16 pm. After returning to open session the board took the following action:

- a. Approved Doug Dennison as WCHS Head Boys' Basketball Coach
  - b. Approved Jackie Biggs as WCHS Head Golf Coach
  - c. Approved Bethany Nannen-Miller as HS and MS Instrumental Music Activities Sponsor
  - d. Approved Jacinda Hill as WCHS JV Volleyball Coach
  - e. Approved Dan Bowman as WCHS Girls Basketball Volunteer
  - f. Approved Alicia Anderson as WCHS Volleyball Volunteer
  - g. Approved Mary Casey as District Bus Driver
  - h. Approved Ross Parcel as WCMS Baseball Coach
  - i. Approved Exempt Staff Salaries for 2023-2024
  - j. Approved Exempt Staff Contracts for Mallory Nelson, Paige Torrance, Joe Peters, Kendrah Ruebush and Ariel Dillard
  - k. Approved Termination of Christopher Bothwell as District Custodian
  - l. Approved Bus Driver Pay for 2023-2024 at \$89.52/daily route, \$18/hour trip pay and \$15/shuttle
  - m. Approved Substitute Teacher Pay at \$140/day (long term substitute pay at \$175/day) start with the 2023-2024 school year
19. Board members were reminded that the next Regular Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 19, 2023 at 6:00 pm in the West Central Elementary Cafeteria.
20. The Board adjourned at 8:20 pm.