

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF WEST CENTRAL COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #235 IN THE ELEMENTARY CAFETERIA ON MARCH 23, 2026

The meeting was called to order by President Schaley at 6:11 p.m. in the Elementary cafeteria. The following board members answered roll call: Chockley, Clark, Gullberg, Lenahan, Schaley and Vancil. Board Member Higgins was absent. Also present was Recording Secretary Jaime Shultz, Diane Robertson. K. Lafary, B. Taylor, B. DeWeese, B. Helt, and J. Kirby.

ACTION

Motion by Lenahan, seconded by Vancil to approve the letter of agreement to contract the services of School Exec Connect to conduct the superintendent search as presented. On roll call the following members voted aye: Clark, Gullberg, Lenahan, Schaley, Vancil, and Chockley. 6-0 Motion carried.

INITIAL PLANNING MEETING WITH SCHOOL EXEC CONNECT TO ESTABLISH THE SCOPE AND TIMELINE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH

Diane Robertson of School Ecex Connect made a presentation to the Board regarding the steps and timeline that would be taken for the Superintendent’s search.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Chockley, seconded by Gullberg to adjourn to closed meeting pursuant of the Illinois Open Meetings Act - 5 ILCS 120/2 at 6:47 p.m. to discuss the following subjects:

A. Personnel - 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.

Majority of Ayes by Voice Vote. Motion carried.

The Board took a short break and reconvened in the Unit Office Conference Room at 6:52 p.m. On roll call the following members answered roll call: Chockley, Clark, Gullberg, Lenahan, Schaley and Vancil. Diane Robertson was also present.

Motion by Chockley, seconded by Gullberg to return to open session at 7:57 p.m. On roll call the following members voted aye: Chockley, Clark, Gullberg, Lenahan, Schaley and Vancil. Motion carried.


The Board reconvened in the elementary cafeteria at 8:00 p.m. On roll call the following members answered roll call: Gullberg, Lenahan, Schaley, Vancil, Chockley, and Clark.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Clark, seconded by Vancil to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Majority of Ayes by Voice Vote. Motion carried.

THESE MINUTES ARE APPROVED AS WRITTEN THIS 15th DAY OF APRIL 2026.


Brendan Schaley, Board President


Malinda Clark, Board Secretary