

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF WEST CENTRAL COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #235 HELD IN THE ELEMENTARY CAFETERIA ON APRIL 20, 2016.

The meeting was called to order by President Brent at 6:00 pm in the Elementary Cafeteria. The following board members answered roll call: Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; White, absent. President Brent declared a quorum present. Also present were S. Schneider, K. Lafary, J. Burns, B. Rees, J. Pilger, C. Conlee, M. Frakes, and N. Clark.

CALL TO ORDER

President Brent then led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

PLEDGE

GOOD NEWS ITEMS

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Under good news items the following items were highlighted:

- FFA Livestock Judging Results for April Contests:
 - Spoon River – 1st Place Team in Senior and Junior Divisions
 - WIU Invitational – 7th Place Team out of 68 Teams
 - Section # 4 – 3rd Place Team in Senior and 4th in Novice
 - Brianna Akers, Alex Vancil, Grace Meyer, Andrea Fullerton, Jensen Bowman, and Tori Olson have all been in the Top 10 at various contests.
- WIU 4-H /FFA Contest – 2nd Place Team in the Junior Division
- Bushnell Prairie City Contest – 2nd Place Junior Team, 6th Place Senior Team out of 30 Teams
- Section 4 AG Mechanics Contest – 4th Place Team
- Brock Bigger – 2nd Place in Electrical Wiring
- Collin Vancil – 3rd Place in Carpentry, Senior Division
- Dalton Spiker – 1st Place in Carpentry, Novice Division
- Jon Anderson, - 4th Place in Ag Power, Senior Division
- Nick Brokaw – 5th Place in Welding, Senior Division
- Mrs. Tammy Rankin was the WMOI Teacher of the Month for March.
- The 1st Annual 6th Grade Orientation had approximately 40 families attending.
- IESA Solo and Ensemble Contest was hosted at our north campus on Saturday April 2nd. We sent 22 events, with 13 students receiving Division 1 rating and Camryn Fryrear, alto saxophone, receiving the Best of Day award.
- The middle school band sent 20 students to Farmington Honor Band. They performed as part of a 90+ student band and had a great time.
- Middle school choir sent 3 students to the WIU Honor Choir on April 4th, performing as a select group of auditioned students.
- Mr. Joe Pilger was awarded the Norman L. and Eileen A. Krong Award at WIU.
- The boy scouts held their annual Pine Wood Derby contest at the elementary on Sunday, April 3rd. Overall district winners included 1st place Fisher Potts, 2nd place Shawn Bielser, and 3rd place Alex McGraw.
- WCES hosted their 3rd quarter AR ice cream party to reward those students who met their individual reading goals.
- The elementary spring music concerts were well attended and enjoyed by many.

- Upon completion of the PARCC, ten students who displayed good working habits were chosen to enjoy a buffet lunch at Pizza Hut.
- The junior team of Ruby Gittings, Dayne Gittings, Spencer Jack, and Dexter Ricketts earned a 1st place in livestock judging at Spoon River College Invitational. Ruby Gittings was recognized for obtaining a first place rating in the overall standings and Dayne Gittings earned a 3rd place overall rating.
- Elaina Fisher submitted a poem to the Carl Sandburg College poetry contest and earned an honorary mention in the elementary division.
- Kendra Spiker broke the high school girls' long jump record that was 16 feet, 4 inches. Kendra jumped 16 feet, 6 inches.
- The middle school Scholastic Bowl team ended their season 6-2. They also received second place at the Sand Valley Tournament.
- Sara Fitzgerald was named WMOI Teacher of the week.
- Approximately ninety high school students were awarded movie time.
- The West Central High School softball team were nominated for the Hometown Heroes Award.
- The following students were named Student of the Month for March: PE – Harrison Fisher, Science – Grace Brent, CTE – Megan Magee, Social Studies – Dean Miller, Fine Arts – Jason Strack, English – Skyler Moede & Logan Avery, Math – Trystan Cox.
- West Central High School students Vanessa Russi and John Clem were selected to be honored at the IPA Student Recognition Breakfast.
- The West Central Board of Education would like to thank those individuals who assisted with After Prom
- The West Central C.U.S.D. #235 website has a new look
- The student growth component of the teacher evaluation plan was approved by the PERA Committee on April 20, 2016.

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Lumbeck to approve the agenda with the following additions:

X-F. State Budget Issues and Potential Impact

X-G. Student Request to Attend Half Days

Roll call: Brent, aye; Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; White, absent; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE REQUEST FOR PRESENTATION

There was no one present who wished to address the Board on any agenda items.

White entered the meeting at 6:13 pm.

APPROVE
AGENDA

RECOGNITION
OF AUDIENCE

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- The minutes of the March 16, 2016 regular meeting and the minutes of the Closed Session of March 16, 2016;
- The payment of all bills;
- The March 2016 activity account summaries for West Central High School, West Central Middle School and West Central Elementary School;
- The Treasurer’s Report for March 2016 as presented.

Roll call: Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; White, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

ACTION ITEMS

Motion by Lenahan, seconded by Anderson to approve the 2016-2017 West Central Elementary School Improvement Plan as presented. Roll call: Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; White, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, absent. Motion carried

WCES SIP

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Arnold to approve the 2016-2017 West Central Middle School Improvement Plan as presented. Roll call: Lumbeck, aye; White, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye. Motion carried.

WCMS SIP

Motion by Anderson, seconded by White, to approve the 2016-2017 West Central High School West Central High School Improvement Plan as presented. Roll call: White, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye. Motion carried.

WCMS SIP

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Lumbeck to adopt the resolution regarding National Teacher Appreciation Day and National Teacher Appreciation Week as presented Roll call: Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; White, aye. Motion carried.

TEACHER APPRECIATION

Motion by Lumbeck, seconded by Anderson to approve the Agreement to Co-Op Golf with West Prairie pending approval from the West Prairie Board and IHSA as presented. Roll call: Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; White, aye; Anderson, aye. Motion carried.

GOLF CO-OP AGREEMENT

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Arnold to approve the base bid from Frank Millard Co. for boiler replacement work at West Central Middle School and West Central High School to be paid out the Life/Safety Fund as presented. Roll call: Brent, aye; Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; White, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye. Motion carried.

WCMS/WCHS BOILER REPLACE L/S FUNDS

REPORTS

The Board reviewed and heard reports from the building principals and from Ben Rees, District Athletic Director. The Board reviewed a Technology Report from Melinda Frakes.

REPORTS

DISCUSSION ITEMS

The Board heard and discussed proposed changes to the 2016-2017 student handbooks from the West Central Elementary School, West Central Middle School and West Central High School building administrators. These proposed changes will be brought back to the May 2016 Board meeting for approval.

HANDBOOK
CHANGES

The Board reviewed the recommended 2016-2017 student book rental fees and the recommended increase to the lunch prices. It was suggested that the name of the book rental fees be changed to registration fees. The Board indicated by consensus to support the recommendations and directed Superintendent Markey to bring the list of fees back to the Board for approval at the May Board meeting.

FEEES

The Board discussed a request to co-op cross country with Mercer County High School. Mr. Rees will approach Mercer County High School about the possibility. This request will be brought back to the May 2016 Board meeting for approval.

CROSS
COUNTRY

Superintendent Markey updated the Board and discussed with them the financial condition of the District and the potential impact to the District if there is no 2016-2017 state budget.

FINANCIAL
PICTURE

The Board discussed a student request to attend half days in 2016-2017 in order to take dual credit course at SCC.

STDUENT
REQUEST

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The following were identified as future agenda items:

- Cross Country Request
- Student Request to Attend Half Days
- Beltway and Student Parking Lot Maintenance

FUTURE
AGENDA
ITEMS

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Anderson, seconded by White to adjourn to closed meeting to discuss personnel (administrative salaries, the appointment, employment, or dismissal of an employee or officer, negotiations, the compensation, discipline, and performance of specific employees) at 7:12 pm. Roll call: Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; White, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye. Motion carried.

CLOSED
SESSION

The Board took a short break and reconvened in the Unit Office Conference room at 7:15 pm. Roll call: Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; White, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, absent.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by White, to return to open meeting at 8:45 pm. Roll call: Brent, aye; Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; White, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye. Motion carried

After a short break the Board reconvened at 8:49 pm to open meeting in the elementary cafeteria. Roll call: Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Lumbeck, aye; White, aye; Anderson, aye.

ACTION FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Anderson, seconded by White the Board accept the resignation of Ben Rees as the West Central High School Assistant Principal effective at the end of the 2015-2016 school year pending approval as the West Central high School Principal as presented. Roll call: Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; White, aye. Motion carried.

B. REES
-RESIGN ASST
PRINICIPAL

Motion by Lenahan, seconded by Anderson the Board accept the resignation of Michelle Tutor as the West Central High School Spanish Teacher effective at the end of the 2015-2016 school year with thanks for her service as presented. Roll call: Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; White, aye; Anderson, aye. Motion carried.

M. TUTOR
-RESIGN

Motion by Lenahan, seconded by Anderson the Board to approve a maternity leave for Miranda Gullberg from the beginning of her FY17 contract through September 5, 2016 as presented. Roll call: Brent, aye; Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; White, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye. Motion carried.

M. GULLBERG
-MATERNITY
LEAVE

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Lumbeck the Board accept the resignation of Chaim McGuire as a West Central Elementary School/West Central High School Art teacher effective at the end of the 2015-2016 with thanks for his service school as presented. Roll call: Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; White, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye. Motion carried.

C. MCGUIRE
-RESIGN

Motion by Arnold, seconded by Anderson the Board accept the resignation of Rachel Reynolds as a West Central Middle School Language Arts teacher effective at the end of the 2015-2016 school year with thanks for her service as presented. Roll call: Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; White, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, absent. Motion carried.

R. REYNOLDS
-RESIGN

Motion by Lumbeck, seconded by Anderson the Board accept the resignation of Amanda Hennenfent as a West Central Elementary School Special Education teacher effective at the end of the 2015/2016 school year with thanks for her service as presented. Roll call: Lumbeck, aye; White, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye. Motion carried.

A.
HENNENFENT
-RESIGN

Motion by Arnold, seconded by Lumbeck the Board accept the resignation of Allison Janacek as a West Central Middle School Language Arts teacher effective at the end of the 2015-2016 school year with thanks for her service as presented. Roll call: White, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye. Motion carried.

A. JANACEK
-RESIGN

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Arnold the Board approve the transfer of Judy Kelly from second grade teacher to a Title I teacher position for the 2016-2017 school year as presented. Roll call: Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; White, aye. Motion carried.

J. KELLY
-TRANSFER

Motion by Arnold, seconded by Lenahan the Board approve the transfer of Jadee Landers from a part-time Title I Associate to a full-time Pre-K Associate position effective April 18, 2016 as presented. Roll call: Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; White, aye; Anderson, aye. Motion carried.

J. LANDERS
-TRANSFER

Motion by Arnold, seconded by White the Board approve the employment of Ben Rees as the West Central High School Principal for the 2016-2017 school year as presented. Roll call: Brent, aye; Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; White, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye. Motion carried.

B. REES
-WCHS
PRINCIPAL

Motion by Arnold, seconded by Anderson the Board approve the employment of Tara Denhart as the West Central Middle School Language Arts teacher for the 2016-2017 school year as presented. Roll call: Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; White, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, absent. Motion carried.

T. DENHART
-EMPLOY
WCMS
LANGUAGE
ARTS

Motion by Lumbeck, seconded by Arnold the Board approve the employment of Tom Williams as a West Central High School Physical Education/Health teacher for the 2016-2017 school year as presented. Roll call: Lumbeck, aye; White, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye. Motion carried.

T. WILLIAMS
-EMPLOY
WCHS
PE/HEALTH

Motion by Arnold, seconded by White the Board approve the employment of Ryan Muegge as West Central High School English teacher for the 2016-2017 school year as presented. Roll call: White, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye. Motion carried.

R. MUEGGE
-EMPLOY
WCHS
ENGLISH

Motion by White, seconded by Anderson, the Board approve the employment of AJ Eetan as a West Central High School Physical Education/Spanish teacher for the 2016-2017 school year as presented. Roll call: Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; White, aye. Motion carried.

AJ EETAN
-EMPLOY
WCHS
PE/SPANISH

Motion by White, seconded by Arnold the Board approve the employment of Amy Freitag as West Central High School part-time Spanish teacher for the 2016-2017 school year as presented. Roll call: Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; White, aye; Anderson, aye. Motion carried.

A. FREITAG
-PART-TIME
SPANISH

Motion by Lenahan, seconded by Arnold the Board approve the employment of Robert Fleming as a West Central High School Science teacher for the 2016-2017 school year as presented. Roll call: Brent, aye; Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; White, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye. Motion carried.

R. FLEMING
-EMPLOY
WCHS
SCIENCE

Motion by White, seconded by Arnold the Board accept the resignation of Rachel Reynolds as the seventh grade Girls' Basketball Coach and as West Central Middle School Student Council Sponsor as presented. Roll call: Buss, absent, Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; White, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye. Motion carried.

R. REYNOLDS
-RESIGN 7TH
GBb/WCMS ST
COUNCIL

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Arnold the Board accept the resignation of Michelle Tutor as the West Central High School Spanish Club Sponsor at the end of the 2015-2016 school year as presented. Roll call: Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; White, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, absent. Motion carried.

M. TUTOR
-RESIGN WCHS
SPANISH CLUB
SPONSOR

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Lumbeck the Board accept the resignation of Ben Rees as the West Central High School Head Football Coach as presented. Roll call: Lumbeck, aye; White, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye. Motion carried.

B. REES
-RESIGN WCHS
Fb COACH

Motion by Arnold, seconded by White the Board accept the resignation of Chaim McGuire as the West Central High School Art Club Sponsor as presented. Roll call: White, aye; Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye. Motion carried.

C. MCGUIRE
-RESIGN WCHS
ART CLUB
SPONSOR

Motion by Arnold, seconded by White the Board accept the resignation of Tiffany Ann Adams as the West Central High Yearbook advisor as presented. Roll call: Anderson, aye; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, absent; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, aye; White, aye. Motion carried.

T. ADAMS
-RESIGN WCHS
YEARBOOK

FUTURE MEETING DATE

The Board was reminded that the next regular Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 18, 2016. This meeting will be held in the elementary cafeteria and will begin at 6 pm.

FUTURE MTG

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Lumbeck to adjourn at 8:55 pm. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

THESE MINUTES ARE APPROVED AS WRITTEN THIS 18TH DAY OF MAY 2016.

Lonnie Brent, Board President

Jodi Arnold, Board Secretary