

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF WEST CENTRAL COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #235 HELD IN THE UNIT OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM ON NOVEMBER 24, 2015.

The meeting was called to order by President Brent at 5:00 pm in the Unit Office Conference Room. The following board members answered roll call: Anderson, absent; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, absent; White, aye. President Brent declared a quorum present. Also present were Superintendent Markey, Scott Schneider, and Ben Rees.

CALL TO ORDER

Motion by Buss, seconded by Arnold to appoint President Brent as hearing officer to preside over a student discipline hearing. Roll call: Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, absent; White, aye; Anderson, absent. Motion carried.

HEARING OFFICER

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Lenahan, seconded by White to enter closed session pursuant to the open meetings act – 5 ILCS 120/1 et seq. to hear a student discipline case at 5:01 pm. Roll call: Brent, aye; Buss, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, absent; White, aye; Anderson, absent; Arnold, aye. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Buss, seconded by Lenahan, to return to open session at 5:10 pm. Roll call: Buss, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, absent; White, aye; Anderson, absent; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye. Motion carried.

ACTION ITEM

Motion by Arnold, seconded by White that student # 18048 be found to have violated school rules possessing a weapon on school grounds which constitutes gross disobedience and misconduct under circumstances so related to the school program so as to warrant discipline. Roll call: Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, absent; White, aye; Anderson, absent; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, aye. Motion carried.

STUDENT VIOLATED RULES

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Buss, seconded by White to return to closed session to continue student discipline hearing at 5:12 pm. Roll call: Lumbeck, absent; White, aye; Anderson, absent; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, aye; Lenahan, aye. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Arnold, seconded by Lenahan to return to open session at 5:16 pm. Roll call: White, aye; Anderson, absent; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, absent. Motion carried.

ACTION ITEMS

Motion by Arnold, seconded by Lenahan that a ten (10) day out of school suspension for student # 18048 be upheld and that student # 18048 be expelled from West Central High School for possessing a weapon on school grounds for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year and the 2016-2017 school year. Student # 18048 may apply to return to West Central High School beginning with the fall semester of the 2017-2018 school year. Roll call: Anderson, absent; Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, absent; White, aye. Motion carried.

STUDENT  
EXPELLED

Motion by Buss, seconded by White that the expulsion of student #18048 be held in abeyance in order to allow said student to attend Henderson County Safe School. Student #18048 may apply for reinstatement to West Central High School on August 1, 2017. Roll call: Arnold, aye; Brent, aye; Buss, aye; Lenahan, aye; Lumbeck, absent; White, aye; Anderson, absent. Motion carried.

EXPULSION  
HELD IN  
ABEYANCE

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Lenahan, seconded by White to adjourn at 5:20 pm. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

THESE MINUTES ARE APPROVED AS WRITTEN THIS 16<sup>th</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER 2015.

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Lonnie Brent, Board President

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Jodi Arnold, Board Secretary