

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF WEST CENTRAL COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #235
HELD IN THE WEST CENTRAL LIBRARY ON JULY 16, 2024.

The meeting was called to order by President Schaley at 6:00 p.m. in the West Central Library. The following board members answered roll call: Bigger, Clark, Higgins, Schaley, and Vancil. Board Member Chockley entered at 6:01 p.m. Board Member Gullberg was absent.

President Schaley declared a quorum present. Also present were Superintendent Day, Recording Secretary J. Shultz, Building Administrators: K. Lafary, B. Taylor, J. Kirby, J. Zaiser. Also present was Ross Parcel.

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

GOOD NEWS ITEMS

Under good news items the following items were highlighted:

- Twomey Foundation annual \$5,000 donation

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to approve the agenda as presented. Majority of Ayes by Voice Vote. Motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no remarks from the public at this meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- The minutes of the FY24 Amended Budget Hearing, FY24 Paving Hearing and Regular Meeting of June 18, 2024 and Reconvened Meeting of June 27, 2024;
- The minutes of the Closed Session of June 27, 2024;
- The payment of all bills;

On roll call the following members voted aye: Chockley, Clark, Higgins, Schaley, Vancil, and Bigger. 6-0 Motion carried

DISCUSSION ITEMS

No FOIA requests this month.

Superintendent Day provided the Board with an update on what was planned for new teacher orientation scheduled for August 5 and August 6.

A discussion was held regarding the plans for Middle School Fall Sports and anticipated high numbers. Coach Parcel was in attendance to share that he expects over 40 MS baseball players interested in playing this season. IESA limits the number of athletes that can participate in the post-season to 18 players. The softball coach anticipates enough girls to fill his team, but not the same high numbers as the boys. Coach Parcel will work on finding fall leagues that athletes that do not make the 18 player roster can choose to participate in this fall, in order to help them work on skills for the future. He will

send his plan to Superintendent Day, who will share it with the Board, prior to the Middle School Fall Sports Parent Meeting on Monday, July 22. The alternative plans/schedule will be tentative until final details (players interested, possible games, volunteer coaches, financial needs, etc) can be determined.

ACTION ITEMS

Motion by Higgins, seconded by Clark to approve the tractor lease as presented. On roll call the following members voted aye: Clark, Higgins, Schaley, Vancil, Bigger, and Chockley. 6-0 Motion carried

Motion by Bigger, seconded by Clark to approve the Press Plue Issue 115 on the first reading as presented. On roll call the following members voted aye: Higgins, Schaley, Vancil, Bigger, Chockley, and Clark. 6-0 Motion carried

Motion by Clark, seconded by Vancil to approve the health life safety amendment for Middle School Concrete Repairs as presented. On roll call the following members voted aye: Schaley, Vancil, Bigger, Chockley, Clark, and Higgins. 6-0 Motion carried

Motion by Bigger, seconded by Clark to approve the purchase of a district mower as presented. On roll call the following members voted aye: Vancil, Bigger, Chockley, Clark, Higgins, and Schaley. 6-0 Motion carried.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Board members were asked to contact Superintendent Day with future agenda items.

CLOSED SESSION

There was no closed session.

PERSONNEL ACTION

Motion by Bigger, seconded by Clark to approve the personnel agenda as follows:

West Central School District School Board Meeting Personnel Items for Board Approval Tuesday, July 16, 2024		
<i>Please note: the following new appointments are pending completion of all certifications, requirements, and clearance on the state required background investigation.</i>		
Personnel Changes		
Name	Title	Salary
Volunteers:		
Brianna Fink	WCMS Cheer Coach	N/A
Mallory Nelson	Cross Country Coach	N/A
Heather Hinshaw	Swim Coach	N/A

New Appointments:		
Andy Chockley	WCMS 6th Grade Boys' Basketball Coach	WCATS Contract
Jordain Johnson	School Social Worker	
Molly Edwards	WCMS Science Teacher	WCATS Contract
Leonard Kay	Bus Monitor	\$16.18/hour
Change of Assignment:		
Amy Reathaford	Art Teacher to Long-Term Substitute (Art)	
Board acknowledges the following resignations/retirements:		
Haley Tromblee	K-8 Vocal Music Teacher/WCMS Music Activities Sponsor	
Gina Heikes	WCES Paraprofessional	
Bob Stockham	WCHS Football Coach	
Leonard Kay	District Custodian	
Betty Mynatt	Retirement Elementary Secretary June 1, 2026	

On roll call the following members voted aye: Vancil, Bigger, Clark, Higgins, Schaley. Chockley abstained. 5-0 Motion carried.

Motion by Higgins, seconded by Clark to approve the social worker contract. On roll call the following members voted aye: Bigger, Chockley, Clark, Higgins, Schaley, and Vancil. 6-0 Motion carried.

FUTURE MEETING DATE

The Board was reminded that the Board Retreat is on July 27, 2024, at the Henderson County Library at 9:00 a.m., and the next regular Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 21, 2024, 6:00 p.m., in the elementary cafeteria.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Clark, seconded by Bigger to adjourn at 6:53 p.m. Majority of Ayes by Voice Vote. Motion carried.

THESE MINUTES ARE APPROVED AS WRITTEN THIS 27th DAY OF JULY, 2024.



 Brendan Schaley, Board President



 Malinda Clark, Board Secretary