

TO: West Central Staff and Community
FROM: Stacey Day, Superintendent
DATE: January 20, 2025
RE: Summary of January 15, 2025, Board of Education Regular Meeting

At the January 15, 2025, Board of Education Regular 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: Mindy Clark, Karl Gullberg, Brendan Schaley, Dillan Vancil, Josh Higgins and Lauren Chockley. Absent was Board member Sarah Bigger. Also present for the meeting were: Superintendent Stacey Day, District Administrators: Kathy Lafary, Jason Kirby, Brittney Kugler, and Technology Coach Jeremy Hennings.
2. President Schaley led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. The following items were presented as Good News Items:
 - a. Henderson County Handicapped Children's Trust, Charles Vaughn, TTEE donated \$3500 to our special education transportation fund.
 - b. Illinois State Scholars - Kevin DeMent and Rozella Liggett
 - c. January Staff Rise and Shine Acknowledgements. The following staff members were recognized by their colleagues for showcasing what it means to Rise and Shine each day to serve our students and community: Allison Harden, Kathy Lafary, Petie Parsons, Tracy Eastin, Lene Lox, Laura Lewis, Kim Thompson, EJ Santos, Karri Wallace, Amy Chandler, Bryan Taylor, Cindy Boyd, Tiffany Ouellette, Jenny Ford and Paige Torrance. Thank you for all you do for West Central!
 - d. A huge thank you to those who make the Henderson County Angel Tree a success! Our students and families greatly appreciate all the time, effort and work that goes into supporting that program.
 - e. Middle School ISBE Summative Designation Improvement, improving from Comprehensive to Commendable!
 - f. WCE 5th grade students, along with Ms. Lewis, organized the Food Drive this year. They collected 603 items this year. These donated items were given to FOCC, our local food pantry, to help support the families in need in our community.
 - g. Congratulations to our Early Childhood Program staff for achieving the ExceleRate Illinois Gold Circle of Quality rating. This accomplishment is a recognition of the elementary's achievement and commitment to quality early learning.
4. There were no changes to the agenda for this month.
5. There were no members of the public in attendance to address the Board.
6. The following items were approved by a 6-0 roll call vote as part of the Consent Agenda:
 - a. Meeting Minutes of the Regular Meeting, December 18, 2024
 - b. Meeting Minutes of the Closed Session, December 18, 2024
 - c. Payment of Bills

- d. Approval of Activity Accounts
 - e. Approval of Treasurer's Report
 - f. Approval of 2024 - 2025 District Seniority List for Certified and Support Personnel
7. There were no FOIA requests this month to discuss.
 8. The building principals and District Technology Director presented their monthly reports.
 9. The Board approved the Vision 2030 Resolution, supporting the framework for focus and change for PreK-12 public education in Illinois, presented by IASB, IASA, IPA, IASBO, etc. The resolution was approved by a 6-0 roll call vote.
 10. Board members requested the next Regular Board of Education Meeting Agenda include a discussion of facilities and provide a farm update.
 11. The Board then entered Closed Session to discuss Personnel and Negotiations.
 12. The Board returned from Closed Session and approved, by a 6-0 roll call vote, the employment of Jordain Johnson on the HS SIP Team, to fill an open position.
 13. The Board was reminded that the next Regular Board of Education Meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 19, 2025 at 6:00pm in the Elementary Cafeteria.
 14. The Board adjourned the meeting at 9:15 pm.