

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

At the October 15, 2025, Board of Education Regular Meeting the following took place:

1. The Board of Education Regular Meeting was called to order by President Schaley at 6:00 pm. Board members present were: Mindy Clark, Brendan Schaley, Dillan Vancil, Lauren Chockley, Karl Gullberg and Mike Lenahan. Absent was Board member Josh Higgins. Also present for the meeting were: Superintendent Stacey Day, District Administrators: Kathy Lafary, Jason Kirby, Stacey Kreps, Brittney Kugler, Byron Helt, Jeremy Hennings and Mallory Nelson and Board Recording Secretary Jaime Shultz. Also in attendance were Will, Carrie and Aiden Todd, Chris, Rachel and Katelyn Ford, Bryan, Floralia and Alesandro McVay and Jimena Perez, Emily, Justine and Mason Schaley, and Kevin Heid.
2. President Schaley led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. The following items were presented as Good News Items:
 - a. Plate Services made a \$300 Donation for WCMS Baseball Team for State
 - b. Donation from Mike Curry for \$1000 for the WCHS Activity Account and \$1100 for the District. Mr. Curry also contacted the Middle School and Elementary Schools to coordinate monthly donations to both of those buildings.
 - c. Security Savings annual donation for the Education Foundation
 - d. Thank you to the WCHS FFA for Ag Day on October 3!
 - e. Illinois Principals Day is on Friday, October 24, 2025. We want to thank all of our district principals for all they do for our district.
 - f. The Homecoming Alumni Event was another great success! Miranda Gullberg and her team worked tirelessly to plan the event and we had over 180 attend!
 - g. The MS Baseball Team ended their season with a 4th place finish in the IESA State Series!
 - h. Bank of Stronghurst sent a donation to support the WCMS Baseball Team and their trip to State!
 - i. The Elementary PTC Fall Festival was held last week and was a HUGE success. There was a great turnout and fun was had by all who attended!
 - j. Our District. Our Legacy. Recognitions were as follows: Allison Harden, Amy Chandler, Amy McGowen, Ariel Dillard, Betty Mynatt, Brian Kreps, Connie Wiley, Conner Hill, Heather Davis, Heidi Crane, Jena Goff, Jessica Winters, Kayla Johnson, Maddie Leath, Paige Torrance, Payton Clark, Petie Parsons, Stacie Anderson, Tiffany Byers, and Tracy Eastin.
4. There were no changes to the posted agenda.
5. The Board recognized the following high school students for maintaining a 4.0 GPA during the 2024-2025 school year: Teegan Rodeffer, Katelyn Ford, Jimena Perez, Aiden Todd, Christian Del Carlo, Jaxon Endress, and Mason Schaley.
6. There was no one in attendance wishing to address the Board.

7. The following items were approved as part of the Consent Agenda, by a 6-0 roll call vote:
 - a. Meeting Minutes FY26 Budget Hearing Meeting, September 22, 2025
 - b. Regular Meeting, September 22, 2025
 - c. Public Hearing, September 22, 2025
 - d. Payment of Bills
 - e. Approval of Activity Accounts
 - f. Approval of Treasurer's Report
8. The District received two FOIA requests over the last month. One from Allium Data requesting a summary of the District insurance policies, including deductibles, aggregate coverage, etc. The Galesburg Reporter submitted a request for the names of the most recent inductees to our National Honor Society and any students who received National Merit Scholarship recognition. All requests were submitted within the needed timelines.
9. The Board discussed the upcoming Triple I Conference that will take place in November. Board members Schaley, Clark and Lenahan will be attending, as well as Superintendent Day and Recording Secretary Jaime Shultz. The attending members were reminded of travel plans and will report back to the full Board at the December meeting, after the conference.
10. The Board discussed the upcoming Elementary Playground project. The playground committee is working on final plans and were able to share posters at the PTC Fall Festival that showed students and families the equipment we hope to purchase. There was lots of excitement from the kids when they saw the pictures! The playground committee set their next meeting for Tuesday, October 28 at 1:00 pm and will focus on fundraising ideas and plans.
11. The Building and Grounds committee updated the Board on their current work. The committee is holding a Local Contractor Informational meeting on Wednesday, October 22 at 6:00 pm to explain the process of school construction, bidding, bonding, insurance and our upcoming types of projects. All local contractors are invited to attend. The flyer was sent out to area contractors and is available on our social media and website. Superintendent Day also informed the Board that Summer 2026 projects have been submitted to the architect to start the process and there will be a building and grounds committee meeting after those projects are ready to discuss before posting them for bids.
12. The building administrators, district technology director and district special education director gave updates from their monthly reports to the Board.
13. Kevin Heid, from Stifel, was in attendance to present information on the HLS Bond for the Board. The Bond was placed for sale on the morning of October 15 and was purchased by local banks, Midwest Bank and Security Savings. The final amount was \$7,670,000 and will be paid off over the next 10 years. The bond will be used to pay for projects in the Districts 10-Year Health-Life-Safety Report. The sale of the bond was approved by a 6-0 roll call vote.
14. The Board moved into Closed Session to discuss personnel and negotiations. After returning back to open session, the following were approved as part of the Personnel Report by a 5-0 roll call vote. Board Member Chockley abstained from the vote.
 - a. Volunteer - Kati Pepper - WCMS Cheer Coach

- b. Volunteer - Travis Vancil - WCHS Bowling Coach
 - c. Volunteer - Kevin Gibb - WCMS 6th Grade Boys' Basketball Coach
 - d. Employment - Andrew Foss - WCMS 6th Grade Boys' Basketball Coach
 - e. Employment - Andy Chockley - WCMS 7th Grade Boys' Basketball Coach
 - f. Employment - Casey Goff - WCMS 8th Grade Boys' Basketball Coach
 - g. Employment - Tom Williams - WCHS Head Girl's Basketball Coach
 - h. Employment - Jordain Johnson - WCHS Assistant Girls' Basketball Coach
 - i. Resignation - Nick Allen - WCHS Assistant Baseball Coach
 - j. Resignation - Michelle Sheehan - District Paraprofessional
15. The Board was reminded that the next Regular Board of Education meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 18 at 6:00 pm in the Elementary Cafeteria.
16. The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 pm