

TO: West Central Staff and Community
FROM: Stacey Day, Superintendent
DATE: October 23, 2022
RE: Summary of October 19, 2022 Regular Board of Education Meeting

At the October 19, 2022 Regular Board of Education Meeting, the following took place:

1. The Regular Board of Education Meeting was called to order by Vice-President Lenahan at 6:00 pm. Board members present were: Mindy Clark, Sarah Bigger, Mike Lenahan, Dillan Vancil, Jodi Arnold and Steve Lumbeck. Absent was Brendan Schaley. Also present for the meeting were: Superintendent Stacey Day, Recording Secretary Jaime Shultz, District Administrators: Jason Kirby, Joel Zaiser, Sara Ryner, Kathy Lafary and Joe Peters, and District Technology Coordinator Jeremy Hennings and District Special Education Coordinator Mallory Nelson.
2. Vice-President Lenahan led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. The following items were shared as Good News to Celebrate District Accomplishments:
 - a. Middle School Softball girls won 3rd Place at IESA State....2 years in a row!
 - b. A thank you to Smith Trucking for hauling and setting concrete barriers for the preschool playground
 - c. A thank you to the WCHS FFA for a fun fall Ag Day. All of our elementary and middle school students were able to attend. We had perfect weather and the FFA kids did a great job organizing and leading the event.
 - d. A thank you to all of our district principals, in recognition of the IPA Illinois Principals Day on Friday, October 21
 - e. The middle school collected over 300 cans for FOCC. Petyon Link helped Mrs. Ryner deliver the items and FOCC was thankful to restock their shelves.
4. There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.
5. The consent agenda was approved 6-0, by a roll call vote on the following items:
 - a. Approved meeting minutes from the FY23 Budget Hearing on September 21, 2022
 - b. Approved the regular meeting minutes from the Regular Meeting on September 21, 2022
 - c. Approved the closed session minutes from the Closed Session Meeting on September 21, 2022
 - d. Approved payment of all bills
 - e. Approved monthly activity accounts
 - f. Approved the treasurer's report
 - g. Approved the resignation of Deb Cole as District Treasurer
 - h. Approved the resignation of Scott Swiler as WCHS Softball Coach
 - i. Approved the resignation of Karissa Kobus as District Bus Driver
 - j. Approved the resignation of Heather Davis as WCMS Boys Track Coach
6. There were no FOIA requests this month.
7. A discussion was held regarding installing vape detectors in the high school bathrooms. Mr. Kirby presented information from an informal survey of students regarding usage of

vapes both in and out of school. Superintendent Day shared her experience with vape detectors. She explained that they are another opportunity for students to say no when pressured to vape, the goal is to use it as a deterrent more than a 'gotcha', but students caught using vapes by the vape detectors will have the same consequences as before they were installed. There was discussion about including the middle school, but at this time decided to wait. The administration will obtain updated pricing and installation details and place on the agenda for board action at the November Board of Education Meeting.

8. A quick update about the upcoming Triple I Conference was given. Board members attending the conference are President Schaley, Mindy Clark and Sarah Bigger, as well as Superintendent Day. We will share information learned from sessions at the December Board Meeting.
9. All building principals, the district technology director, special education coordinator and athletic director presented their monthly reports. Mallory Nelson, special education coordinator, discussed the need for additional staff at the middle school due to high numbers of students with either 504s or IEPs and being able to meet their needs (both academically and behaviorally). A request by Jodi Arnold was made for the middle and high school administrators to include tardy information in their monthly reports and to discuss a comparison of the current data to the past.
10. The board took action to approve a Bowling Co-Op between West Central High School and Monmouth Roseville High School for the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 school years. The motion passed 6-0.
11. The board took action to approve an increase in Middle School Athletic Official Pay to \$80 for all events. The motion passed 6-0.
12. The board discussed the FY23 ISBE Maintenance Grant project. After discussion, the board approved to move forward with a new WCHS greenhouse project as part of the Maintenance Grant application. If approved, West Central will receive \$50,000 to put towards a new greenhouse. The current estimate for the greenhouse is \$166,000. Other funding sources include FY23 Delabar CTE money (about \$20,000), Ag Incentive Grant funding (about \$6,000). If the project is awarded the matching grant from ISBE, any remaining funding will be split between the district and the FFA Alumni. Profits from the district farm will be used to pay the district portion. The motion passed 5-1, with Lumbeck voting nay.
13. Items for future agendas include football field work and installing vape detectors at the high school.
14. There was no closed session held.
15. The board approved the following personnel:
 - a. Approved Kim Thompson as Middle School Cheer Coach
 - b. Approved Tiffany Plate as Middle School Cheer Volunteer Coach
 - c. Approved Jim Unruh as High School Volunteer Football Coach
 - d. Approved Amy Reathaford as Art Club Sponsor
 - e. Approved Jena Goff as 6th Grade Girls Basketball Coach
 - f. Approved Dan Bowman as HS Girls Basketball Volunteer Coach
 - g. Approved Mark Baker as WCMS Volunteer Tutor

16. The board was reminded that our next regular board of education meeting is on Tuesday, November 15, 2022 at 6:00 pm in the Elementary Cafeteria.
17. The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 pm.