

REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 1, 2017

The Board of Education of the West Central School Corporation met in regular session on Thursday, June 1, 2017. The following members were present, Jeff Tanner, Todd Miller, Mandy Sharpe, Dennis Gutwein, Jim Bergens, Jonathan Gutwein and President Jeff Lowry. Also in attendance were Justin Perry, Kent Kroft, Audrey Kroft, Amber Tomlinson, Wes Allen, Principal Pat Culp, Shannon Fritz, and Superintendent Don Street.

MINUTES: Todd Miller made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 4, 2017 as presented. Jim Bergens seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.

REQUISITIONS: Dennis Gutwein made a motion to approve requisitions 17117 through 17136 for the corporation. Todd Miller seconded the motion and the requisitions were approved.

RESIGNATIONS: Jim Bergens made a motion to accept the following resignations as presented:

1. Cheryl Bechinski – Cafeteria
2. Susan Jungels – Bus Driver
3. Stephanie Thilges – Sunshine Society
4. Toni Weltmeyer – Cooperative School Services
5. Sarah Pfeifer – Cooperative School Services

Mandy Sharpe seconded the motion and the resignations were accepted.

TRANSFER: Todd Miller made a motion to approve the following transfer as presented:

1. Kasey Lowry – Title 1/Resource Teacher

Jim Bergens seconded the motion and the transfer was approved with Jeff Lowry abstaining.

EMPLOYMENT: Dennis Gutwein made a motion to approve the following employment as presented:

1. Michael Holle – Assistant Football Coach
2. Ross Davis – Assistant Football Coach
3. Kelly Dickensheets – Varsity Volleyball Coach
4. Shannon Fritz – Middle School Volleyball Coach
5. Rebekah Erb – High School Cross Country Coach
6. Jeremy Glasford – Assistant Cross Country Coach/MS Cross Country Coach/Assistant Boys Basketball Coach
7. Kenny Nielsen – Varsity and Middle School Head Wrestling Coach
8. Jason Wall – Assistant Varsity Wrestling Coach
9. Tyson Mellon – JV Girls Basketball Coach
10. Marlana Lewark – Assistant Girls Basketball Coach
11. David Allen – Varsity Baseball Coach
12. Ralph Sharpe – Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach
13. Shelby Powell – Assistant Varsity Softball Coach
14. Kelsey Erb – Varsity Cheerleading Coach

15. Amanda DeVries – Cooperative School Services
16. Cindy McDonald – Cooperative School Services

Jim Bergens seconded the motion and the contracts were approved with Mandy Sharpe abstaining.

CONFERENCE REQUEST: Todd Miller made a motion to approve the following conference request as presented:

1. IYI College and Career Conference – Marci Kennedy, Indianapolis, IN

Mandy Sharpe seconded the motion and the conference request was approved.

FIELD TRIP REQUESTS: Jim Bergens made a motion to approve the following field trips as presented:

1. High School Band and Choir – Six Flags Great America, Music in the Park – Heather Straus – Gurnee, IL
2. FFA – Purdue – Shaw Haselby – Lafayette, IN

Dennis Gutwein seconded the motion and the field trip requests were approved.

POLICY MANUAL REVISIONS: Jim Bergens made a motion to approve the second reading of the Board Policy Manual addition, Federal Drug and Alcohol Testing Policy for bus drivers. Todd Miller seconded the motion and the policy was approved.

KEYSTONE CONSULTING CONTRACT 2017-18: Dennis Gutwein made a motion to approve the Keystone Consulting Contract as presented. Keystone is the corporation's budget and payroll software company. Mandy Sharpe seconded the motion and the contract was approved.

SCHOOL MEAL AND MILK PRICING: Todd Miller made a motion to approve the school meal and milk pricing for 2017-18. The meal and milk prices will not have an increase from 2016-17.

Elementary breakfast- \$1.10 Elementary lunch -\$1.95
Middle/High breakfast - \$1.25 Middle School lunch - \$2.40
High School lunch - \$2.45
Reduced breakfast - \$.30 Reduced lunch - \$.40
Adult breakfast - \$1.55 Adult lunch \$3.35
Milk price - \$.40

Jim Bergens seconded the motion and the school meal and milk pricing was approved.

STUDENT TRANSFER ENROLLMENT: Jeff Tanner made a motion to approve the Student Transfer Enrollment request dates and capacity per grade level. Dennis Gutwein seconded the motion and the Student Transfer Enrollment was approved. The information will be posted on the web-site.

ADMINISTRATOR CONTRACTS: Jim Bergens made a motion to approve the administrator contracts for West Central as presented. Todd Miller seconded the motion and the contracts were approved.

RESOLUTION: Dennis Gutwein made a motion to approve the following resolution as presented:

Be it resolved that the members of the Board of School Trustees and the Superintendent of Schools are hereby granted approval to participate in professional growth opportunities during the 2017-18 school year. This will consist of conferences and workshops sponsored by the ISBA and IAPSS as well as worthy organizations.

Mandy Sharpe seconded the motion and the resolution was approved.

TECHNOLOGY PLAN/SURVEY 2017: Todd Miller made a motion to approve the Indiana Department of Education Technology Survey/Plan as presented. Jim Bergens seconded the motion and the Technology Survey/Plan was approved.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION: Mr. Wes Allen presented a new Trojan logo (USC Trojan head). He explained that all varsity coaches had no concerns with the new Trojan logo and proceeded in implementing its use throughout the athletic department. Over the years, several WC Trojan logos have been used, and Mr. Allen presented a sampling of the logos seen throughout and around the campus. The new logo prints and embroiders much easier than past logos and has been used for the WC Athletic Boosters Club, coaches shirts, and on other various apparel. Miss Audrey Kroft was in attendance and stated she much preferred the profile Trojan on the cushion mat in the gymnasium. The board appreciates Mr. Allen communicating this proposed change and acknowledges the logo has changed several times over the 50 year history of West Central, with the most prominent Trojan logo being the profile view. If a different look from the current profile Trojan logo, which is displayed on the west side of the school, is to be adopted, a school community committee will be established to gather a broader based opinion.

Mr. Dan Zylstra submitted that about 20 volunteers spent the day remaking the front and back elementary school landscaping. The PTC received a \$5,000 grant from Lowe's to cover the cost of the materials, and five employees from Lowe's also came to supervise the design work and assist with the installation. Lowe's donated landscaping tools, US Aggregates donated a load of limestone, Girtz Industries donated landscaping ornamentation, and the North Central Coop lent us a water trailer to ensure the new vegetation receives proper hydration. The elementary school expresses its sincere appreciation for all who helped. The summer extended studies program began on Tuesday, May 30 and will finish with a pool party on Thursday, June 8. Over 50 West Central students are participating in various reading, math, and STEM activities to further their learning over the summer. Additionally, the Title I Book Mobile is making its rounds around the community to families that signed up for free book delivery. The Pulaski County Public Library, along with Title I Funds and the PACE Grant are making the distribution of these books possible. Summer Swim Lessons will occur June 12-23 and July 10-14. There are still openings for more students. The sign-up sheets are available on the elementary website. The pool is offering several other summer swim activities during the day for adults, as well as having the pool open swim hours from 6:30-8:00 on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The pool will shut down for summer maintenance from June 26 through July 7.

Mr. Pat Culp informed the board that summer school in the high school has started and is off to a terrific start. Several students are working diligently on courses in preparation for the 2017-18 school year. Thanks to the instructor Mrs. Stout, Mrs. Murray and the kitchen staff, and the bus drivers for the time and effort to help our students be successful. Mr. and Mrs. Wenzel are again doing the Book Mobile this summer. The high school band continues to practice for their performance at Six Flags

on Saturday, June 3. The band has practiced several hours in preparation of the performance. A huge congratulations and good luck are extended to Ms. Straus and the high school band for their Six Flags trip.

Mr. Street shared that West Central Cafeteria is offering The Summer Food Service Program for Children (SFSP) which was created to serve nutritious meals to children when National School Lunch and School Breakfast Program meals are not available. To ensure all children receive proper nutrition throughout the year. The meals are being provided during summer school and will be offered in Medaryville and Francesville during their respective community reading programs. The planning continues with the secure entrance and utilization of space project with the architects, bond counsel, and financing organization. The board congratulated Mason Franiak for having been awarded the rank of Eagle Scout! The board was informed that Marilyn Bernal was recognized as a finalist for the Indiana Rural Teacher of the Year. The board congratulates and appreciates Marilyn Bernal for being recognized as one of the best teachers in our state. Requirements for the Paid Lunch Equity requirements for the 2017-18 school year were shared. The custodial staff has started several summer projects.

CLAIMS: Jonathan Gutwein made a motion to approve claims 606 through 722 for the corporation. Mandy Sharpe seconded the motion and the claims were approved.

ADJOURNMENT: President Jeff Lowry asked the board if there was any further business. Being none, the president adjourned the meeting.

Jeff Lowry, President

APPROVED:

Jim Bergens, Secretary