

The Board of Education of the West Central School Corporation met in a regular session on Thursday, October 1, 2020. The following members were present: Jonathan Gutwein, Dennis Gutwein, Kyle McTeigue, Todd Miller, Mandy Sharpe, Jeff Tanner and President Jeff Lowry. Also present were Amy Anliker, Superintendent Dan Zylstra, Principal Mike Carlson, Ed Dumas, Steven Scott, and Leanna Nielson.

MINUTES: Dennis Gutwein made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting and budget hearing on September 17, 2020. Todd Miller seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.

REQUISITIONS: Jonathan Gutwein made a motion to approve requisitions 20177 through 20191 for the corporation. Kyle McTeigue seconded the motion and the requisitions were approved.

RESIGNATIONS: Mandy Sharpe made a motion to approve the following resignation as presented:

1. Melissa Peterson - Cafeteria staff

Jeff Tanner seconded the motion and the resignation was approved.

EMPLOYMENT: Jeff Tanner made a motion to approve the following employments as presented:

1. Mike Holle - 5th & 6th grade basketball coach
2. Ryan Howat - 8th grade basketball coach

Jonathan Gutwein seconded the motion and the employments were approved.

LEAVE REQUEST: Todd Miller made a motion to approve the following leave request:

1. Brooke Hughes - Personal Days adjoining a planned break

Dennis Gutwein seconded the motion and the leave request was approved.

HEARING ON THE FOURTH AMENDMENT TO LEASE: President Jeff Lowry opened the Hearing on the Fourth Amendment to the Lease. Ed Dumas gave a brief explanation as to the process. There being no further comments, Jeff Lowry closed the hearing.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FOURTH AMENDMENT TO LEASE: Jonathan Gutwein made a motion to approve the resolution as presented.

Todd Miller seconded the motion and the resolution was passed.

2021 BUDGET, BUS REPLACEMENT PLAN, AND CAPITAL PROJECTS PLAN: Mandy Sharpe made a motion to approve the following resolutions:

- 2021 Budget Resolution
- 2021 Bus Replacement Plan Resolution
- 2021 Capital Projects Plan Resolution

Kyle McTeigue seconded the motion and the resolutions passed.

REDUCTION OF APPROPRIATIONS: Dennis Gutwein made a motion to approve the Resolution to Reduce Appropriations. Kyle McTeigue seconded the motion and the resolution passed.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

Principal Mike Carlson reported: West Central Elementary was awarded the Dollar General Literacy Grant in the amount of \$2,000. Kasey Lowry wrote the grant last spring to support literacy development and connect with the home for grades 3-6. High interest text at the students' instructional levels will be purchased. The grant includes a portion to keep meeting with these groups virtually in the event of any long-term school closings. Parent Teacher conferences are planned for October 19 and 20. The plan is to do them in person. The lockers were installed yesterday and they look great. Students should be able to start using them at the beginning of the week. Several students will be returning from virtual learning at the end of the grading period. Sports for fifth and sixth grade has been a positive addition. Call-outs for both boys and girls basketball are happening now.

Principal Scott Ritchie reported: It has been a great month at West Central. We had a great homecoming week with outdoor festivities that the students really enjoyed. We also had a cookout that Mrs. Radtke and the kitchen staff worked together and we grilled hamburgers on the grill and ate outside. This Friday we have our Fall Frenzy which is like a Spartan Run but with pumpkin guts, paint, flour, and mud. Ms. Strus is helping us set that up. On a good note reported from Mrs. Kennedy we could be looking at a \$25,000 plus jump on our CTE funding.

Superintendent Dan Zylstra reported: The 6th grade lockers were installed this week, and they look great. Maintenance staff are developing plans for upgrading the bus barn to make it a more appropriate work space for minor bus repairs. We are looking at replacing some carpet over Christmas break. We also received a safety grant to install more security cameras around campus, including in the area by the new lockers. We may be looking at carving out a few stipends for individuals whose loads increased significantly due to the influx of virtual students. In October the district will be switching to Komputrol, a more advanced accounting, budgeting, and payroll software system which will provide the needed efficiency as we prepare for an upcoming temporary adjustment in staffing levels.

CLAIMS: Dennis Gutwein made a motion to approve claims 890 through 999 for the corporation. Kyle McTeigue seconded to 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.

## **Executive Session**

**Thursday, October 1, 2020**

**West Central Elementary School Cafeteria**

**8:30 PM**

The Board of Education of the West Central School Corporation met in an Executive Session on Thursday, October 1, 2020. The following members were present: Jonathan Gutwein, Dennis Gutwein, Kyle McTeigue, Jonathan Gutwein, Todd Miller, Jeff Tanner, Mandy Sharpe, President Jeff Lowry, and Superintendent Dan Zylstra.

The Executive Session was held in accordance with IC 5-14-1.5-6.1 (b)(9), "To discuss job performance evaluation of individual employees."

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