

WESTERN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT # 12 BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

FEBRUARY 17, 2016, AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE COMPLEX

401 McDONOUGH STREET, BARRY, ILLINOIS

The Western Community Unit School District Board of Education met in regular session on Wednesday, February 17, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. in the Superintendent's Office Complex at 401 McDonough Street, Barry, Illinois. President Lorc Weir called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Other Board of Education Members present included: Vice-President Inky Shover; Member Chris Borrowman; Member Shane Fee; and Member Tyler Patterson. Secretary James Broeckling and Member Aayca Raif were absent. Administrators present included: Interim Superintendent Terry A. Robertson, filling in for Interim Superintendent Dr. Curt Simonson who was ill; WHS/WES Principal Connie Thomas; WJHS Principal Jared VanDyke; and Central Office Administrative Assistant, Teresa Schulz. Also present were: Student Council Members Matt Shover and Emory Rucker. Teachers Darin and Polly Craven were in attendance as were Media Representatives Justin Cobb of the Pike Press and Adam Kirgan of The Paper. Architect Isaac Miller was also present as an invited presenter.

The board and all present gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no comments/appearances/petitions from the public.

Architect Isaac Miller presented Locker Bids for approval to be paid for with 1% sales tax funds and to be done during summer break. The bid proposal included demolition, disposal, and installation. The proposal was approved later in the meeting. Interim Superintendent Robertson requested the Building Committee and Board study plans and proposals for updated kitchen equipment and student parking lot improvements at the Barry facility, which the Board agreed to study.

The Board approved the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion by Borrowman; seconded by Patterson. Roll call vote: Broeckling, absent; Weir, yes; Shover, yes; Patterson, yes; Fee, yes; Borrowman, yes; and Raif, absent. 5 yes; 0 no; 2 absent. Motion carried.

Under Principal Reports:

WHS/WES Principal Connie Thomas provided Handouts covering PARCC Testing; YMCA Bingo Night; Administrator Academy; and ISU Career Fair. She also presented data regarding Elementary Care Card Challenge and High School SAT information.

WJHS Principal Jared VanDyke provided information addressing: January Students of the Month; Great American Fundraiser; 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boy's Basketball making it to the State Finals; Volleyball Regionals; and Science Olympiad.

WHS Principal Connie Thomas reported on the Track Co-op Agreement with Pittsfield. Homecoming week will be January 25<sup>th</sup> – January 29<sup>th</sup>, with the Homecoming Assembly being at 2p.m. on Friday January 29<sup>th</sup>, the game is at 7p.m. on the 29<sup>th</sup> as well. The Homecoming Dance is on Saturday from 7-10 in the Western Elementary Gym. SAT will most likely be the state test this year.

WJHS Principal Jerud VanDyke recognized December Students of the Month; Map testing will begin Jan 25-Feb 5, Retention update, Character of Champions Luncheon will be Feb 5<sup>th</sup> at the Stoney Creek Inn, honorees are J.J. Bryant and Katie George. 7<sup>th</sup> grade Basketball will host regionals this Saturday, January 23rd, Tuesday, Jan 26th and Thursday, Jan 28<sup>th</sup>.

#### Under Superintendent Reports:

Dr. Simonson reported on the Budget, FRIS report and Truancy with Western having 9 students that are being tracked. Insurance Bids for Property/Casualty, School Board Legal Liability etc. The Seniority List for Teachers and Administrators, Honorable Dismissal List and ALICE training for school safety will be held Feb 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> and will be out-of-district. Two employees will be attending.

#### Summary of Minutes of Recent Committee Meetings:

Transportation was the only committee to report any discussion. The discussions centered around the need to re-visit the bus lease with Central States Bus Sales and the possibility of returning two busses

#### Under New Business:

The Board approved the first reading of the IASB Press Plus Policy Updates and Revisions. Motion by Broeckling; seconded by Borrowman. Roll call vote: Shover, yes; Broeckling, yes; Raif, yes; Borrowman, yes; Weir, yes; and Patterson, yes. Fee; absent. 6 yes; 1absent; 0 no. Motion carried.

The Board approved the Track Co-op agreement with Pittsfield for the 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 school years. Motion by Broeckling; seconded by Patterson. Roll call vote: Patterson, yes; Shover, yes; Raif, yes; Borrowman, yes; Weir, yes; and Broeckling, yes. Fee; absent. 6 yes; 1absent; 0 no. Motion carried

The Board made a motion to close Public hearing concerning the intent of the Board to sell not to exceed \$400,000 of working cash fund bonds of the District. Motion by Weir; seconded by Borrowman. Roll call vote: Shover, yes; Broeckling, yes; Raif, yes; Borrowman, yes; Weir, yes; and Patterson, yes. Fee; absent. 6 yes; 1absent; 0 no. Motion carried.

Board entered Executive Session at 6:40 p.m. to consider information on the following subjects: a) the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the School District; f) emergency security procedures; h) the placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students; i) pending, probable or imminent litigation; and k) approval of certain closed session minutes for distribution to the public; or other matters appropriate for a closed meeting pursuant to the Open meetings Act. Motion by Weir; seconded by Shover. Roll call vote: Broeckling, yes; Weir, yes; Shover, yes; Patterson, yes; Borrowman, yes; and Raif, yes. Fee; absent. 6 yes; 1 absent; 0 no. Motion carried.

#### Under Superintendent's Reports:

Interim Superintendent Robertson gave the FRIS Report, indicating how far behind the State is in payments to Western; Improvements in Truancy issues; Insurance bids on Property Casualty to begin study next week; Seniority List; and Honorable Dismissal List.

The Superintendent indicated it would be necessary to have a Special Meeting before the end of February.

The Board briefly discussed building items to study regarding the aforementioned kitchen and parking lot issues at Barry.

#### Under Discussion Items:

The Board opted to not accept the Culligan Water Treatment proposal, citing cost vs. performance.

The Board did not accept the tarp proposal for gym floors citing expense vs. usage issues.

The Board did not accept installing a medium grade outdoor bulletin board citing expense vs. actual usage issues.

The Board took no action at this time regarding acoustical treatments for the Barry Gym, placing the issue on future gathering of information relative to sound system/acoustical considerations.

The Board gave unanimous voice vote approval on a request from the After Prom Committee regarding a Donkey Basketball Game contingent upon meeting facility usage agreement and insurance requirements.

The Board voted to move High School Graduation Ceremonies to the Kinderhook facilities. Motion by Fee; seconded by Weir. Roll call vote: Raif, absent; Fee, yes; Patterson, no; Borrowman, yes; Broeckling, absent; Shover, no; and Weir yes. 3 yes; 2 no; 2 absent. Motion carried.

#### Under Old Business:

The Board approved the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of the Policy Manual Updates & Revisions. Motion by Fee; seconded by Weir. Roll call vote: Fee, yes; Raif, absent; Borrowman, yes; Patterson, yes; Weir, yes; Shover, yes; and Broeckling, absent. 5 yes; 0 no; 2 absent. Motion carried.

The Board approved the low bid (base bid C) for lockers for WHS from Fischers of Quincy for the amount of \$39,950. to include installation and disposal. Motion by Borrowman; seconded by Weir. Roll call vote: Broeckling, absent; Weir, yes; Shover, yes; Patterson, yes; Fee, yes; Borrowman, yes; and Raif, absent. 5 yes; 0 no; 2 absent. Motion carried.

#### Under New Business:

The Board tabled a Resolution providing for Working Cash Bonds due to incomplete media publication issues.

The Board approved replacement of building doors in the breezeway at Barry. Motion by Borrowman; seconded by Patterson. Roll call vote: Raif, absent; Fee, yes; Patterson, yes; Borrowman, yes; Broeckling, absent; Shover, yes; and Weir, yes. 5 yes; 0 no; 2 absent. Motion carried.

The Board approved the Renewal of Navigate Prepared (Security System). Motion by Borrowman; seconded by Weir. Roll call vote: Fee, yes; Raif, absent; Borrowman, yes; Patterson, yes; Weir, yes; Shover, yes; and Broeckling, absent. 5 yes; 0 no; 2 absent. Motion carried.

The board approved the First Reading of the District Job Descriptions. Motion by Borrowman; seconded by Weir. Roll call vote: Shover, yes; Fee, yes; Raif, absent; Borrowman, yes; Weir, yes; Broeckling, absent; and Patterson, yes. 5 yes; 0 no; 2 absent. Motion carried.

The Board approved the School Calendar for 2016-2017. Motion by Patterson; seconded by Weir. Roll call vote: Raif, absent; Fee, yes; Patterson, yes; Borrowman, yes; Broeckling, absent; Shover, yes; and Weir, yes. 5 yes; 0 no; 2 absent. Motion carried.

The Board approved the Seniority List. Motion by Fee; seconded by Weir. Roll call vote: Fee, yes; Raif, absent; Borrowman, yes; Patterson, yes; Weir, yes; Shover, yes; and Broeckling, absent. 5 yes; 0 no; 2 absent. Motion carried.

Closed Session:

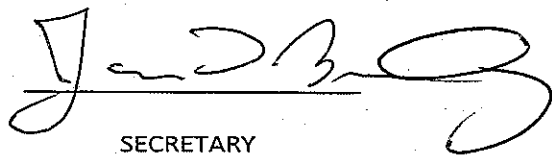
The Board entered Closed Session at 6:37 p.m. the discuss matters according to the exceptions provided in the Open Meetings Act and specified as follows: a) the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the School District; f) emergency security procedures; g) student disciplinary cases; h) the placement of individual students; i) pending, probable, or imminent litigation; or other matters appropriate for a closed meeting pursuant to the Open meetings Act. Motion by Fee; seconded by Weir. Roll call vote: Borrowman, yes; Broeckling, absent; Shover, yes; Raif, absent; Fee, yes; Weir, yes; and Patterson, yes. 5 yes; 0 no; 2 absent. Motion carried. The Board returned to Open Session at 7:57 p.m. Motion by Borrowman; seconded by Shover. Roll call vote: Weir, yes; Borrowman, yes; Raif, absent; Shover, yes; Patterson, yes; Fee, yes; and Broeckling, absent. 5 yes; 0 no; 2 absent. Motion carried.

There was no action taken following Closed Session.

The Meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m. Motion by Borrowman; seconded by Shover. Unanimous yes voice vote. Motion carried.



PRESIDENT



SECRETARY