

WESTERN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #12 BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES OF REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

November 15, 2017 AT 6:00 P.M.

WESTERN HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA

401 McDONOUGH STREET, BARRY, ILLINOIS

The Western Community Unit School District #12 Board of Education met in Regular Session on Wednesday, November 15, 2017, in the Western High School Cafeteria, 401 McDonough Street, at 6:00 p.m. President Inky Shover called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Other Board of Education Members present included: Member Chris Borrowman; Member Brian Nation, Member Lorc Weir, Vice President, Tyler Patterson. Secretary, James Broeckling and Member Raif were absent. Administrators present included: Superintendent Jessica Funk; WES/WHS Principal Connie Thomas; and WJHS Principal Kent Hawley . Also present was Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent and Bookkeeper Teresa Schulz. Media Representatives included: Jim Filbert of "The Pike Express", Adam Kirgin of "The Paper" and Shelby Stroemer of the "Pike Press". Also in attendance were: Dr. Curt Simonson, First Grade Teacher Susan Stout, Third Grade Teacher, Ali Zaerr, Athletic Boosters Representative and District employee, Jason Bryant, Susan Ward and Walt Ward.

President Shover led The Pledge of Allegiance.

Opened the Hearing on the Application for Waiver of School Code Mandate.

Under Public Comments:

President Inky Shover asked for public comments concerning the Waiver of School Code Mandate. Susan Ward opposed the Waiver due to the fact that she wants to take her child to another school district and tuition would not be free and she expressed that she did not think that it was fair. Mrs. Susan Stout, First Grade Teacher spoke in support of the Waiver by saying that the Waiver would allow teachers that live out of the district, to bring their children here and that would keep those teachers vested in the district.

Susan Ward and Walt Ward also addressed the Board with concerns regarding the District.

Jason Bryant, Representative for Athletic Boosters, wanted to inform the Board of some upcoming ideas that the Booster Club is wanting to do. The Booster club is wanting to rebrand the District and choose a Primary and a Secondary Logo so that the district is more unified. The Boosters are wanting to set up a Hall of Fame for athletes and possibly offer reserved seating at some athletic events. They would also like the Board to think about possibly allowing for the auctioning of naming rights to athletic fields and gyms on an annual basis.

Under Consent Agenda:

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

Under Administrative Reports:

WHS/WES Principal Thomas reported that the 5 Essential Survey will be November 15th-January 18th. Barry Campus had an unannounced fire drill on November 9th.

WES- Book Fair is this week with Family Read Night/Wellness Fair on November 16th. The Turkey Trot will be held on November 22 at 9:00a.m. and the Holiday Showcase/Concert is December 14th at 6:00p.m.

WHS-Principal Thomas gave a handout to the Board and discussed the SAT results. NHS and JH/HS Student Council prepared the Veteran's Day Assembly this year on November 10th.

WJHS Principal, Kent Hawley reported the 8th Grade took a field trip on October 25th to Mark Twain sites as enrichment for reading of the Adventures of Tom Sawyer.

Students and Staff Members participated in Unity Day On October 25th and brought attention to the topic of Bullying.

October 26th Parent/Teacher conferences were held.

Principal Hawley applied for a Meemic Foundation Grant of \$500.00 grant to help fund Men in the Making mentoring program.

JH Boys Basketball will host the IESA Class 8A Regional's.

Pre-K will held its Parent/Teacher Conferences on November 9th and 10th.

Junior High Penny Wars are going on. The money raised will go to the Pike County Honor Flight.

PBIS will have Camo Day on November 16th, Care Card Store on November 22nd and PJ Day on December 6th.

Under Reports of Superintendent:

Superintendent Funk informed the Board that the audit will be presented at the December meeting. Superintendent Funk reported that we are 33% through the school year. The District is only over budgeted expenses in Transportation and Capital Projects by 33% but these wer expected. Superintendent Funk proposed that the District pay for District Employees to eat school lunch on the

last day before Christmas Break instead of trying to plan an all District Christmas Dinner at such a busy time of the year. The Board agreed.

Under Board Discussion and Action:

Approve authorization for the Superintendent to Prepare the Levy and Adopt a Resolution Regarding Estimated Amounts Necessary to be Levied for the 2017 Year and Direct Compliance With the Truth in Taxation Law as Necessary. Motion by Shover; seconded by Weir. Roll call vote: Patterson, yes; Weir, yes; Nation, yes; Borrowman, yes; Shover, yes; Broeckling and Raif, absent: 5 yes; 0 no; 2 absent. Motion carried.

Approve a 3-Year Lease/Purchase Agreement for a 14 Passenger White Bus. Motion by Borrowman; seconded by Weir. Roll call vote: Weir, yes; Shover, yes; Borrowman, yes; Patterson, yes; Nation, yes; Broeckling and Raif, absent: 5 yes; 0 no; 2 absent. Motion carried.

Approve Letting Bids for the Replacement of the Elementary Gym Floor. Motion by Weir; seconded by Borrowman. Roll call vote: Shover, yes; Nation, yes; Borrowman, yes; Weir, yes; Patterson, yes; Broeckling and Raif, absent: 5 yes; 0 no; 2 absent. Motion carried.

Approve a stipend of \$759 for Elementary Volleyball. Motion by Weir; seconded by Shover. Roll call vote: Nation, yes; Patterson, yes; Borrowman, yes; Weir, yes; Shover, yes; Broeckling and Raif, absent: 5 yes; 0 no; 2 absent. Motion carried.

Approve Prairie State Plumbing & Heating, Inc to Install 5 Gas Pressure Regulators. Motion by Weir; seconded by Shover. Roll call vote: Nation, yes; Borrowman, yes; Patterson, yes; Weir, yes; Shover, yes; Broeckling and Raif, absent: 5 yes; 0 no; 2 absent. Motion carried.

Approve Elliott Data to Install Additional Safety Locks and Panic Buttons. Motion by Shover; seconded by Nation. Roll call vote: Borrowman, yes; Shover, yes; Patterson, yes; Weir, yes; Nation, yes; Broeckling and Raif, absent: 5 yes; 0 no; 2 absent. Motion carried.

Approve 3 Board Members and 2 Administrators Attending the Joint Annual Conference With the District Paying for Registration, Hotel, and One Dinner. Motion by Weir; seconded by Shover. Roll call vote: Weir, yes; Borrowman, yes; Shover, yes; Patterson, yes; Nation, yes; Broeckling and Raif, absent: 5 yes; 0 no; 2 absent. Motion carried.

Approve a change of the December Regular Board Meeting to December 13th. Motion by Borrowman; seconded by Nation. Roll call vote: Patterson, yes; Weir, yes; Nation, yes; Borrowman, yes; Shover, yes; Broeckling and Raif, absent: 5 yes; 0 no; 2 absent. Motion carried.

President Shover asked for any additional public comments relating to the Application for Waiver School Code Mandate. There were none.

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Close the Hearing on Application for Waiver of School Code Mandate. Motion by Nation; seconded by Shover. Roll call vote: Weir, yes; Shover, yes; Patterson, yes; Nation, yes; Borrowman, yes; Broeckling and Raif, absent: 5 yes; 0 no; 2 absent. Motion carried.

Approve the Application for Waiver of School Code Mandate. Motion by Shover; seconded by Borrowman. Roll call vote: Nation, yes; Patterson, yes; Borrowman, yes; Shover, yes; Weir, yes; Broeckling and Raif, absent: 5 yes; 0 no; 2 absent. Motion carried.

Executive Session:

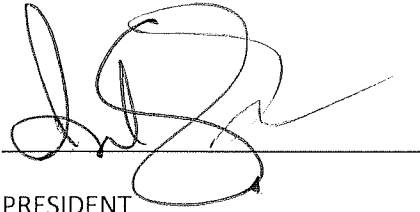
The Board adjourned to Executive Session at 6:40p.m. to discuss the following matters according to the exceptions provided in the Open Meetings Act and specified as follows: a) the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the School District; b) collective negotiating matters between the School District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees; h) the placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students; i) pending, probable or imminent litigation; other matters appropriate for a closed meeting pursuant to the Open Meetings Act.

Motion by Borrowman; seconded by Nation. Roll call vote: Shover, yes; Nation, yes; Borrowman, yes; Weir, yes; Patterson, yes; Broeckling and Raif, absent: 5 yes; 0 no; 0 absent. Motion carried. The Board returned to Open Session at 7:49p.m.

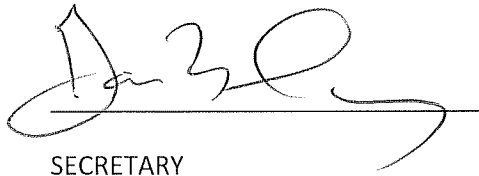
Actions Following Closed Session:

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

The Board adjourned at 7:50 p.m. Motion by Nation; seconded by Patterson. Unanimous yes voice vote. Motion carried.



PRESIDENT



SECRETARY

Western Community Unit School District #12

Personnel Report

11/15/17

Approve Mike Swartz as Full-Time Custodian.

Approve Brandi Pennock as After School Tutoring Teacher Leader.

Approve Brandi Pennock as After School Tutoring Teacher.

Approve Sarah Hilligoss as After School Tutoring Teacher.

Approve Susan Stout as After School Tutoring Teacher.

Approve Anna Hechler as Co-Elementary Volleyball Coach.

Approve Alexandra Zaerr as Co-Elementary Volleyball Coach.

Approve Barb Miller as Substitute Cook.

Approve the Suspension of Stuart Hart.