

Regular Session

Thursday, July 7, 2022

Board Room

7:30 PM

The Board of Education of the West Central School Corporation met in a regular session on Thursday, July 7, 2022. The following members were present: Jake Tanner, Todd Miller, Dennis Gutwein, Jonathan Gutwein, Jeff Lowry, and President Kyle McTeigue.

Also present were: Cathy Rowe, Superintendent, Megan Galbreath of the Pulaski County Journal, Elizabeth Holstein-Steele, and Sherri Cameron, Corporation Secretary.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment.

MINUTES: Todd Miller made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular session on June 6, 2022. Dennis Gutwein seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.

REQUISITIONS: Jeff Lowry made a motion to approve requisitions 22119 through 22136 for the corporation.

Jake Tanner seconded the motion and the requisitions were approved.

RESIGNATIONS: Kyle McTeigue made a motion to approve the following resignations as presented:

1. Brittany Spoonemore - Elementary Teacher
2. Deenise Smith - Cafeteria
3. Donna Conner - Cafeteria
4. Richard Warren - Athletic Director

Jonathan Gutwein seconded the motion and the resignations were approved.

TRANSFERS: Dennis Gutwein made a motion to approve the following transfer as presented:

1. Kristin Girton - Cooperative School Services

Todd Miller seconded the motion and the transfer was approved.

EMPLOYMENTS: Jake Tanner made a motion to approve the following employments as presented:

1. Steven Bradley - HS English Teacher
2. Rebecca Shepperd - Director of Food Services
3. Kelsey Hershman - Custodian
4. Shelley Watts - Custodian
5. Steven VanDerAa - Cooperative School Services
6. Melissa Gutierrez - Cooperative School Services
7. Emily Bridgeman - Cooperative School Services

Jeff Lowry seconded the motion and the employments were approved.

2022-2023 STUDENT MEAL PRICES: Todd Miller made a motion to approve the 2022-2023 student meal prices as presented.

ES Breakfast \$1.35

ES Lunch \$2.45

MS/HS Breakfast \$1.50

MS/HS Lunch \$3.00

Jonathan Gutwein seconded the motion the meal prices were approved.

ALTERNATIVE AND PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL PLACEMENTS: Dennis Gutwein made a motion to approve authorization of the superintendent to sign agreements for alternative and private residential school placements.

Jeff Lowry seconded the motion and the authorization was approved.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

Superintendent Cathy Rowe noted that she was appreciative of how kind and welcoming everyone has been at West Central since she has been here. She conducted a walkthrough of the buildings and grounds including the old corporation office. She gave an update on work with Tecton saying that they have reached out to three architect/design firms with one design firm backing out. The other two design firms will be on site in the upcoming weeks to review the status in the band and choir rooms to come back to the board in August to present drawings and renderings of improvements that could be made to the space. The board will have a budget work session before the August 4th meeting. She also noted that student registration opens August 1st, August 8th is new teacher orientation, August 9th is Meet the Teacher night, and August 11th is our first student day. The district currently has openings for an athletic director, 6th grade teacher, and music teacher. They are keeping their eye on elementary enrollments to determine class sizes as they get closer to school starting. They will know more once parents have registered their children for school. Superintendent Rowe encouraged parents who may be interested in bringing their child/children to West Central who live outside the district to fill out transfer paperwork at the buildings.

CLAIMS: Dennis Gutwein made a motion to approve claims 3515 through 3623 for the corporation. Todd Miller seconded the motion and the claims were approved.

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

APPROVED:

Kyle McTeigue, President

Todd Miller, Secretary