

# West Central School Corporation

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## Executive Session

**Thursday, June 6, 2024 Immediately**

**after Regular Session**

The West Central School Board of Trustees will meet pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(9) for the purposes of discussion regarding a job performance evaluation of individual employees.

## Regular Session

**Thursday, June 6, 2024 7:30PM**

The Board of Education of the West Central School Corporation met in a regular session on Thursday, June 6, 2024. The following members were present: Todd Miller, Jonathan Gutwein, Mandy Sharpe, Jake Tanner, and Dennis Gutwein.

Also present were: Superintendent Cathy Rowe, West Central Middle/Senior High School Principal Angie Radtke, West Central Elementary School Principal Mike Carlson and Erica Kerns Corporation Secretary.

CALL TO ORDER: President Jake Tanner called the meeting to order.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Allie Sanders was chosen to represent the WCMS/HS as Student of the Month and Mandy Sharpe was pleased to present Landyn Metzinger as the WCES Student of the Month.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Todd Miller made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Dennis Guwein seconded the motion and the agenda was approved 5-0.

MINUTES: Jonathan Gutwein made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular session held on May 2, 2024. Jake Tanner seconded the motion and the minutes were approved 5-0.

REQUISITIONS: Mandy Sharpe made a motion to approve requisitions 24147 through 24182 for the corporation. Todd Miller seconded the motion and the requisitions were approved 5-0.

RESIGNATIONS, TERMINATIONS, AND RETIREMENTS: Dennis Gutwein approved the following resignations and retirements as presented:

1. Mary Chesser, Special Education Teacher-Resignation
2. Michael Slys, Assistant Principal-Resignation
3. Cheryl Ailes, Custodian-Resignation
4. Lisa Mahaffey, Music and Choir-Resignation

5. Sarah Coffman, STEM K-8-Resignation
6. McKenna Boerner, Resignation–CSS

Jake Tanner seconded the motion and the resignations and retirements were approved 5-0.

EMPLOYMENTS: Jonathan Gutwein made a motion to approve the following employments as presented:

1. Kay Allen, Bus Driver for Summer School
2. Don Bushong, Bus Driver for Summer School
3. Tammy Brick, Bus Driver for Summer School
4. Jerry Norman, Bus Driver for Summer School
5. Brandon Davis-student summer helper
6. Grant Peter-student summer helper
7. Nate Peter-student summer helper
8. Ezra Rodriguez-student summer helper
9. Elly Sparks-student summer helper
10. Kay Allen, Bus Driver-Adjusted Work Schedule for 2024-2025
11. Casie Allen-Adjusted Work Schedule for 2024-2025
12. Brandy Maxwell, Cafeteria Staff
13. Amanda Dunne, Cafeteria Manager
14. Amber Lemman-5/6 Grade Volleyball Coach
15. Jeremy Glasford-JV Girls Head Basketball Coach
16. Annie Scholz-Girls Basketball Assistant Varsity Coach
17. Tyler DeMoss-Girls Basketball Varsity/JV Assistant Assistant
18. Tyson Mellon-Head Girls Basketball Coach
19. Jeremy Glasford-Head Co-Ed Cross Country Coach
20. Marc Hall-Head Football Coach
21. Greg Buschman-Football Assistant Coach, HS
22. Tyler Napier-Football Assistant Coach, HS
23. Emily Bridgeman-School Psychologist, CSS
24. Lauren Manuel-School Psychologist, CSS
25. Alison Rees-Preschool Speech Language Pathologist, CSS

Mandy Sharpe seconded the motion and the employments were approved 5-0.

JOINT SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATIVE SCHOOL SERVICES FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION: Todd Miller made a motion to approve the Cooperative School Services Joint Services Agreement. Dennis Gutwein seconded the motion and the agreement was approved 5-0.

BNY-MELLON AFFIDAVIT OF COMPLETION CERTIFICATE: Mandy Sharpe made a motion to approve the Affidavit of Completion Certificate affirming all work has been completed for the band-choir project as presented. Jonathan Gutwein seconded the motion and the certificate was approved 5-0.

IVY TECH DUAL CREDIT MOU: Dennis Gutwein made a motion to approve the IVY Tech Dual Credit MOU as presented. Todd Miller seconded the motion and the MOU was approved 5-0.

MOAKE PARK GROUP A1A AGREEMENT: Jake Tanne made a motion to approve the Moake Park Group A1A Agreement as presented. Dennis Gutwein seconded the motion and the agreement was approved 5-0.

WEST CENTRAL SCHOOL BOARD POLICY ADOPTION: Todd Miller made a motion to approve the Wireless Devices Prohibition and Habitual Truant policies as presented. Jonathan Gutwein seconded the motion and the policies were adopted 5-0.

WEST CENTRAL DEVELOPMENTAL PRESCHOOL: Dennis Gutwein made a motion to add a developmental preschool as part of the Cooperative School Services services. Jake Tanner seconded the motion and the preschool was approved 5-0.

WEST CENTRAL FOOTBALL CAMP TO MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY: Mandy Sharpe made a motion to approve the overnight field trip for the WC football team to travel to Manchester University. Todd Miller seconded the motion and the trip was approved 5-0.

WEST CENTRAL GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM CAMP: Jonathan Gutwein made a motion to approve the Girls Basketball Team camp to Indiana Wesleyan June 18-20, 2024. Jake Tanner seconded the motion and the camp was approved 5-0.

SALARY INCREASES-SUPPORT STAFF AND ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRACT EXTENSIONS: Todd Miller made a motion to approve the salary increases as presented. Dennis Gutwein seconded the motion and the salary increases were approved 5-0.

HEARING ON LEASE: Public Comment was taken however there was no public comment.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF LEASE AND SALE OF REAL ESTATE (EXHIBIT A): Jake Tanner made a motion to approve the resolution authorizing execution of lease and sale of real estate. Todd Miller seconded the motion and the resolution was approved 5-0.

#### PROJECT HEARING

PROJECT RESOLUTION (EXHIBIT B): Jonathan Gutwein made a motion to approve the project resolution. Mandy Sharpe seconded the motion and the resolution was approved 5-0.

#### ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION HEARING

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION (EXHIBIT C): Jake Tanner made a motion to approve the additional appropriation resolution as presented. Todd Miller seconded the motion and the resolution was approved 5-0.

RESOLUTION APPROVING BUILDING CORPORATION (EXHIBIT D): Dennis Gutwein made a motion to reapprove the building corporation. Jake Tanner seconded the motion and the resolution was approved 5-0.

RESOLUTION ASSIGNING CONSTRUCTION BIDS AND CONTRACTS (EXHIBIT E): Todd Miller made a motion to approve the resolution assigning construction bids and contracts, once received. Jonathan Gutwein seconded the motion and the resolution was approved 5-0.

RESOLUTION APPROVING SECOND SUPPLEMENT TO MASTER CONTINUING DISCLOSURE (EXHIBIT F): Dennis Gutwein made a motion to approve the resolution approving the second supplement to master continuing disclosure undertaking as presented. Todd Miller seconded the motion and the resolution was approved 5-0.

LEASE AGREEMENT: Mandy Sharpe made a motion to approve the lease agreement between the West Central School Building Corporation and the West Central School Corporation Lessee. Jake Tanner seconded the motion and the agreement was approved 5-0.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

Mrs. Radtke said May was a blur. There was lots of work, celebrating, and fun. We started the month with Teacher Appreciation Week. Prom was held at The Shed in Wanatah. The kids looked amazing, and everyone had a great time. Grades 7-10 finished their last round of NWEA testing. We had senior awards night, the FFA Banquet, and the Spring Band Concert. The middle schoolers went on an incentive trip to Indiana Beach, and the band students also went to King's Island and performed there. The high schoolers took final exams. The student council put on a talent show; there were 6 acts. We had a cookout, awards, and games on the last day. It was a good ending to the school year. Last Wednesday the Veterans motorcycle group, "Rolling Thunder" came through. Everyone was invited to come out and thank them for their service. Graduation is over. Everything went well, and there was a good turnout. The first round of CMA exams were taken and all three students passed! We have six more students taking the exam on the 13th. We have 13 students coming to the school to take Speech with an Ivy Tech professor. Everyone is thankful summer break is here, so we can get refreshed for next school year.

Mr. Carlson shared the school year ended well and with a flurry of activity as usual. Field trips provided extra opportunities. Kindergarten went to Logansport and toured the firehouse. First grade experienced Fair Oaks, and Third grade went to the Indianapolis Zoo. Fourth Grade toured Pulaski County learning about many aspects and businesses. Third grade also had their annual Pioneer Day. Grades 3-5 participated in the County Spelling Bee at Eastern Pulaski. Kylie Erb was first in third grade, Garrett Scholz was first in fourth grade, and Aslynn Pack was third in fifth grade. All the students represented West Central very well. Let's Roll was hosted by PTC at the beginning of the month. Approximately 345 attended the event which included students with a special female adult to enjoy cinnamon rolls, a parfait, and create a craft. Students went bowling that met their math facts goal and the Water Bash was enjoyed by those meeting their reading goal. Slightly over 200 students qualified for each event. Field Day was a success, and the Kickball tournament culminated with one of Mr. Gudas' teams winning for the students and then competing against the staff. Students and staff celebrated the year's achievements with many academic and attendance awards handed out on the last day of school. The final benchmarking in reading and math showed we're holding steady with approximately the same numbers year-over-year for meeting their growth and being on grade level. IREAD retakes were given. Those along with ILEARN results have been mailed home.

Dr. Rowe also thanked the high school staff, teachers, administrators and custodial/maintenance staff for all their hard work in ensuring graduation was successful. June 11th will be bus inspections, we are currently in the transition phase of moving from Alma to Harmony for our student information system, as well as a transition from Standard for Success to Pivot, which was previously used. She discussed West Central's financial situation relative to the food service account and noted that while the food

service fund is very close to providing free meals, the fund would lose money. Other schools have advertised that they can offer all students free meals and this is due to the fact that the federal government is providing enhanced reimbursements for student counts of students who are direct certified for meals (SNAP, TANF, etc). That reimbursement level is allowing other districts to be reimbursed at a rate that covers losses from paid and reduced meals. At this time, free meals for all is not financially feasible, but we are hoping it may be in the future. Summer school counts were shared. Student registration for the 2024-2025 school year will be July 31st from 8:00am-3:00pm and August 1st from 1:00pm-7:00pm. Teacher work days will be August 6th and 7th with the first student day of the school year on August 8th. Dr. Rowe shared that additional black chairs from the middle/high school cafeteria that were previously damaged in the shipment to the school will be able to be kept. The turbine has had a suspected lightning strike and we are awaiting PowerGrid Partners to come onsite to repair.

**PAYROLL AND CLAIMS:** Todd Miller made a motion to approve payroll and claims for the corporation. Jake Tanner seconded the motion and the payroll and claims were approved 5-0.

**ADJOURNMENT:** President Jake Tanner asked the board if there was any further business. Being none, the president adjourned the meeting.

APPROVED:

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