REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Central School District #3
Camp Point, Illinois

October 21, 2026

Andrew Dearwester, Board President, called the Regular Meeting of Central School District #3 Board of Education, Adams County, to order at 5:30 p.m. in the district board office. Roll Call verified that there was a quorum of the Board with the following members present and absent listed below:

Board of Education	***Title***	***Present***	***Absent***
Andrew Dearwester	President	X	
Holly Veach	Vice President	X	
Andrea Foss	Secretary	X	
Nikki Buehler	Member	X	
Jason Cooley	Member	X	
Patrick Hasting	Member	X	
Kindel Kestner	Member	X	

Administration			
Erica Smith	Superintendent	X	
Zak Huston	High School Principal	X	
Tracy Rhea	Junior High Principal	X	
Chevi Ingalls	Elementary School Principal	X	
Amanda Shoopman	Early Childhood Principal	X	

Staff			
Stacey Hibbert	Superintendent Secretary/Minutes	X	

Following the prayer and pledge, President Dearwester called the meeting to order. Guest present: Suzanne Steckel.

Suzanne Steckel, Auditor with Zumbahlen, Eyth, Surratt, Foote and Flynn Ltd. presented the AFR. There were no further questions or comments from the public, the meeting continued.

Motion was made by Member Buehler, seconded by Member Cooley, to approve the present agenda.

Voice vote was taken:
In Favor: All Present
Opposed: None
Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Member Dearwester, seconded by Member Veach, to approve the consent agenda.

Voice vote was taken:
In Favor: All Present
Opposed: None
Motion Carried.

- September 16, 2026, Board Meeting Minutes
- October Bills (Doc. Reg. #6161)
- Treasurer's Report (Doc. Reg. #6162)
- FY 26 AFR (Doc, Reg. #6163)

Motion was made by Member Kestner, seconded by Member Hasting, to approve the At-Large Election Resolution (Doc. Reg. # 6164)

Voice vote was taken:
In Favor: All Present
Opposed: None
Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Member Buehler, seconded by Member Dearwester, to approve applying for SMPG for CEC Restrooms. (Doc. Reg. #6165)

Roll Call Vote:
In Favor: **Buehler, Dearwester, Veach, Foss, Cooley, Hasting, Kestner**
Opposed: **None**
Abstain: **None**
Absent: **None**
Motion Carried.

Committee Brief Action Items

BUILDING
- Have not met.

POLICY
- Have not met.

FINANCE
- Have not met.

CURRICULUM
- Met October 14th at CEC.

Information/Discussion Items

Student Acknowledgement
- Charlie Welch was acknowledged for being named October Senior of the month.

Administrative Building Reports (Doc. Reg. #6166)
- Student Improvement Goals were presented for each building.
- Quarterly ESL Report

Amanda Shoopman – CMS
- Enrollment Numbers = 109
- Visted the FFA Petting Zoo at CES.
- Received new Leadership T-shirts.
- Learned all about growing pumpkins at Mill Creek Farm.
- Practiced what to do if we have a fire. The fire department came and we had a great fire safety day.
- Started reading heart (sight) words!

Curriculum Update
- District Title team met to discuss progress reports and changes of students within the Title program.
- STAR Assessments are being completed for the end of first quarter.
- Language screeners were purchased and administered to students whose home language is not English to assess their language development needs.
- District curriculum team met on October 14th. We discussed 3 year-data trends for each building to see what our students (data) are telling us. This will help us move to the next step of better curriculum alignment through the district.

Chevi Ingalls – CES
- Enrollment Numbers = 232
- Panther of the Month:
  - Staff – Natalie Phillips
  - Student – Ayden Payne
  - Volunteer – Mason Ingalls
- Petting Zoo/Tractor Day was a huge success with the HS Ag Class.

- Safety Day – helicopters, ambulances, fire fighters, police officers and house shirts. We have wonderful community support.

Tracy Rhea – CJHS

- Enrollment Numbers = 241
- JH fundraiser items will be available for pickup during parent/teacher conference on October 29th and 30th.
- Veterans Day Event will take place on Friday, November 13th.
- Mobile Dentist – Wednesday, October 21st.
- Congratulations to the following students for being selected Students of the 1st Quarter: 5th Grade – Kinzie Gerding & Luke Bockhold, 6th Grade – Charlee Reed & Cory Anderson, 7th Grade – Ashdyn Wagner & Eli Ehrhardt, 8th Grade – Kaitlyn Hamilton & Greyson Ihnen.

Zak Huston – CHS

- Enrollment Numbers = 240
- Feed the Farmer dates were October 10th and 16th.
- Petting Zoo at CES was scheduled for October 2nd .
- Beardstown Fall Festival: Overall best drum majors. (Liam Skinner and Ileana Phillips)
- Barry Apple Festival: 2nd Place class B bands, overall best color guard, 1st place drumline competition.
- Shifting to Christmas Music as we gear up for our band and chorus Christmas Showcase on December 12th.
- Parent/Teacher conferences will be on October 29th, 3:30-7:30 pm and October 30th from 8 am-12 pm. No student attendance on 10/30.

Communication/Information from Superintendent

- Shot Clock Discussion

Executive Session

Motion was made by Member Buehler, seconded by Member Kestner, to go into Executive Session at 6:37 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:
In Favor: Buehler, Kestner, Dearwester, Veach, Foss, Cooley, Hasting
Opposed: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None
Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Member Foss, seconded by Member Veach, to return to Open Session at 7:23 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:
In Favor: Foss, Veach, Dearwester, Buehler, Cooley, Hasting, Kestner
Opposed: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None
Motion Carried.

Personnel Addendum

Resignation of Staff

Employee	Position	Effective Date
Sarah Bauer	Head HS Volleyball Coach	10-19-2026

Employment of Staff:

Employee	Position	Effective Date

Gwen Huston	Paraprofessional	March 2027
Casey Rhea	Assistant JH Boys Basketball	10-05-2026
Cory Kindhart	Custodian	10-14-2026
Delaney Rexroat	Volunteer HS Girls Basketball Coach	10-19-2026

Employment of Approved Substitutes (at-will employees for the 2026 – 2027 school year):

Employee	Position	Effective Date
Jeff Bottorff	Certified Substitute	09-23-2026
Ethan Ensinger	Certified Substitute	09-30-2026

Request for Leave:

Employee	Position	Reason for Leave	Timeframe
Laura Nash	Music	Maternity	4-14-2027 – 5-28-2027

Available Employee Positions:

Paraprofessional
Head HS Volleyball Coach
1st Grade Teacher (1st semester)
PE Teachers
High School English Teacher
Special Ed Teacher

Motion was made by Member Buehler, seconded by Member Hasting, to adopt the personnel addendum as presented. (Doc. Reg. #6167)

Voice vote was taken:
In Favor: All Present
Opposed: None
Motion Carried.

Adjournment

Motion was made by Member Veach, seconded by Member Cooley, to accept the recommendation to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 p.m.

Voice vote was taken:
In Favor: All Present
Opposed: None
Motion Carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Education, President Dearwester declared the meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Andrew Dearwester
President

Andra L. Fox
Secretary