The Hearing for the Board of Education of Illini Central School District #189 was called to order in the ICGS Professional Development Room in Mason City at 5:30 p.m. on December 3, 2025.

President Hughes called the hearing to order with the following answering present on roll call:

Mr. Brock Boyd, Vice President

Mr. Brian Hughes, President

Mr. Dennis Hull

Ms. Nancy Robertson

Board members absent:

Ms. Chelsey Lemme

Ms. Amilee Bradshaw, Secretary

Mr. Kent Renken

Administrators present were:

Dr. Jennifer Durbin, Superintendent

Visitors: None

Correspondence: None

Public Comment: None

A hearing was held for the purpose of receiving testimony on the District's proposed application for waiver of state board rules and/or school code mandates. Dr. Durbin explained that by law, administrative costs are limited to no more than a 5% increase from the previous year. If the district exceeds the 5% increase in administrative costs, it must apply for a waiver and a hearing must be held. The district saw a 12% increase for FY26 due to salary and health insurance premium increases.

A motion was made by Robertson, seconded by Hull to approve waiver of state board rules and/or school code mandates regarding the limit of administrative costs.

The motion was put to a roll call vote as follows: Boyd – aye, Hughes – aye, Hull – aye, Robertson – aye Motion carried 4-0

A motion was made by Boyd, seconded by Hull to adjourn the hearing.

The motion was put to a voice vote and the motion carried 5-0.

President Hughes adjourned the hearing at 5:37 p.m.

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 18, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. in the ICGS Professional Development Room in Mason City, IL.

Brian Hughes, President Illini Central CUSD 189 Board of Education Amilee Bradshaw, Secretary Illini Central CUSD 189 Board of Education