

WARREN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, JUNE 29, 2006

1. Opening Activities

1.01 Call to Order

The special meeting of the Warren County School District Board of School Directors on Thursday, June 29, 2006, was called to order by Mr. Kevin Freestone, Vice President, at 7:10 p.m. in the Board Room of the Warren County Career Center, 347 East Fifth Avenue, Warren, Pennsylvania.

1.02 Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Freestone led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

1.03 Roll Call

Roll Call

Board Members Present:

Mr. Roger Dunham
Mr. Kevin Freestone
Mr. Thomas Knapp
Mr. Nathan Lindberg

Dr. Jack Martin
Mr. John Schwanke
Mrs. Jennifer Wortman

Board Members Absent:

Mrs. Jacki Nuttall

Others Present:

Dr. J. Hugh Dwyer, Assistant Superintendent; Dr. John Sechriest, Executive Director of Learning Opportunities; Mr. Mark Eberl, Executive Director of Support Services; Dr. Norbert Kennerknecht, Director of Buildings and Grounds; Mrs. Rosemarie Green, Director of State & Federal Programs; Mr. Petter Turnquist, Business Administrator; Mr. Christopher Byham, Solicitor; Mrs. Ruth Huck, Board Secretary; Mr. Dean Wells, Times Observer; Mr. Matt Jones, Coordinator of Grants and Foundation Development; Mr. Frank Galeazzo, Technology Coordinator; Mr. Jack Werner, Supervisor of District-wide Athletics and Co-Curricular Activities, Mr. Mark Nelson, Supervisor of Special Education; Mrs. Ruth Nelson, Principal; Dr. Karen Pascale, Assistant Principal; Ms. Nancy Ondrasik, Principal; Ms. Ann Buerkle, Principal; Mrs. Diane Martin, Special Education

Supervisor; Ms. Sandy Wilks, Lead Special Education Supervisor; Mr. Mark Rondinelli, Transportation Manager/Purchasing; Mr. Marty Mahan, Supervisor - Aramark; and approximately 16 unidentified members of the audience.

1.04 Reading of the Mission Statement

Mr. Schwanke read the mission statement.

The mission of the Warren County School District is to prepare all students to be responsible and productive citizens by providing them with the skills and education necessary to achieve academic and personal excellence.

Mr. Freestone announced that an executive session was held before the meeting at 6:30 p.m. to discuss personnel matters.

1.05 Public Comment

There was no public comment.

2. New Business

Mr. Freestone requested that item 2.11 Interim Superintendent Appointment be acted on before the rest of the agenda.

2.00 Interim Superintendent Appointment

Interim
Superintendent
Robert B.
Towsey
Appointed
7-0-0

MOTION: Thomas Knapp made a motion seconded by Roger Dunham that the Board of School Directors employs Dr. Robert Towsey as Interim Superintendent for the Warren County School District per the amended agreement.

Roll Call:

Voting Yes: Mrs. Wortman, Mr. Dunham, Mr. Freestone, Mr. Knapp, Mr. Lindberg, Dr. Martin, Mr. Schwanke

The result of the vote was: Passed unanimously.

2.01 Distance Learning

Distance
Learning Sent
Back to
Committee for
Further
Discussion

MOTION: Roger Dunham made a motion seconded by John Schwanke that the Board of School Directors approves the development of a \$2 million bond issue to be closed in January 2004, in support of the completion of the ACCESS PLUS project as outlined in scenario Plan C as presented.

MOTION WITHDRAWN: Roger Duham withdrew the motion and John Schwanke agreed. This item will be sent back to committee for further discussion.

2.02 Fall Athletic Supplies Bid

MOTION: It was moved by Thomas Knapp and seconded by Nathan Lindberg that the Board of School Directors approves the recommended bid for fall athletic supplies.

Roll Call:

Voting Yes: Mr. Schwanke, Mrs. Wortman, Mr. Dunham, Mr. Freestone, Mr. Knapp, Mr. Lindberg, Dr. Martin

The result of the vote was: Passed unanimously.

Fall Athletic
Supplies Bid
Approved
7-0-0

2.03 Athletic Supplemental Contracts

MOTION: It was moved by John Schwanke and seconded by Roger Dunham that the Board of School Directors approves the Fall Athletic Supplemental Contracts.

Roll Call:

Voting Yes: Dr. Martin, Mr. Schwanke, Mrs. Wortman, Mr. Dunham, Mr. Freestone, Mr. Knapp, Mr. Lindberg

The result of the vote was: Passed unanimously.

Athletic
Supplemental
Contracts
Approved
7-0-0

2.04 Certificated Personnel Report

MOTION: It was moved by Roger Dunham and seconded by Nathan Lindberg that the Board of School Directors approves the Certificated Personnel Report.

Roll Call:

Voting Yes: Mr. Lindberg, Dr. Martin, Mr. Schwanke, Mrs. Wortman, Mr. Dunham, Mr. Freestone, Mr. Knapp

The result of the vote was: Passed unanimously.

Certificated
Personnel
Report
Approved
7-0-0

2.05 Support Personnel Report

MOTION: It was moved by Jack Martin and seconded by John Schwanke that the Board of School Directors approves the Support Personnel Report.

Roll Call:

Voting Yes: Mr. Lindberg, Dr. Martin, Mr. Schwanke, Mrs. Wortman, Mr. Dunham, Mr. Freestone, Mr. Knapp

The result of the vote was: Passed unanimously.

Support
Personnel
Report
Approved
7-0-0

2.06 Act 93 Agreement

MOTION: It was moved by Thomas Knapp and seconded by John Schwanke that the Board of School Directors approves up to a one-year extension to the current Act 93 Agreement.

Roll Call:

Act 93
Agreement
Extended One
Year
Approved
6-0-1

Voting Yes: Mr. Knapp, Mr. Lindberg, Dr. Martin, Mr. Schwanke,
Mrs. Wortman, Mr. Dunham, Mr. Freestone

Abstained: Dr. Martin (His wife is a member of this group.)

The result of the vote was: Passed.

2.07 Administrative Support Agreement

Administrative
Support
Agreement
Approved
6-1-0

MOTION: It was moved by Jack Martin and seconded by Roger Dunham that the Board of School Directors approves the Administrative Support Personnel Summary of Benefits and Working Conditions with a 3.75% salary increase for each year of the agreement.

Roll Call:

Voting Yes: Mr. Freestone, Mr. Knapp, Mr. Lindberg, Dr. Martin, Mr. Schwanke, Mrs. Wortman

Voting No: Mr. Dunham

The result of the vote was: Passed.

2.08 Planned Instruction - Mathematics

Mathematics
Planned
Instruction
Approved
7-0-0

MOTION: It was moved by John Schwanke and seconded by Nathan Lindberg that the Board of school Directors approves the Mathematics Planned Instructions that follow:

00201 - Pre Algebra - Grade 8

00204 - Mathematics - Grade 7

00205 - Advanced Mathematics - Grade 7

00222 - Algebra I - Grade 8

Roll Call:

Voting Yes: Mr. Dunham, Mr. Freestone, Mr. Knapp, Mr. Lindberg, Dr. Martin, Mr. Schwanke, Mrs. Wortman

The result of the vote was: Passed unanimously.

2.09 Policy Number 10220, titled - Surveillance Policy

Policy 10220 -
Surveillance
Policy
First Reading
Approved
7-0-0

MOTION: It was moved by John Schwanke and seconded by Nathan Lindberg that the Board of School Directors approves on first reading Policy Number 10220, titled - Surveillance Policy.

The result of the vote was: Passed unanimously.

2.10 Middle School Concept

Middle
School
Concept at
BWMS
Approved
7-0-0

MOTION: It was moved by Jennifer Wortman and seconded by Nathan Lindberg that the Board of School Directors approves the addition of one (1) science teacher to the 2006-2007 Beaty-Warren Middle School faculty to facilitate the implementation of the Middle School Philosophy that includes a common teacher team planning period.

Roll Call:

Voting Yes: Mrs. Wortman, Mr. Dunham, Mr. Freestone, Mr. Knapp
Mr. Lindberg, Dr. Martin, Mr. Schwanke

The result of the vote was: Passed unanimously.

2.11 Interim Superintendent Appointment

Moved to the first item under "New Business."

2.12 Budget Adoption

MOTION: It was moved by Thomas Knapp and seconded by John Schwanke that the Board approves the following tax structure and resource allocation in support of the Final Budget for the 2006-2007 school year with estimated expenditures of \$65,546,841:

1. A tax of 46.0 Mills (\$4.60 per hundred dollars) on the assessed valuation on all the real estate in the District.
2. A Per Capita Tax of \$5.00 per person under Section 679 of the School Code.
3. Local Enabling Taxes under ACT 511:
 - A. A 1/2 of 1% Wage and Income Tax
 - B. A 1% Real Estate Transfer Tax
 - C. An Occupational Privilege Tax of \$5.00
 - D. A Per Capita Tax of \$5.00 per person.
4. Estimated Fund Balance to include
 - A. Designated balance of \$826,342 as Terminal Liability Health Insurance
 - B. Undesignated balance of \$917,205

2006-2007 Final Budget Adoption Approved 5-2-0
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Authorization to advertise as legally required is requested.

Roll Call:

Voting Yes: Mr. Schwanke, Mr. Dunham, Mr. Freestone, Mr. Knapp,
Mr. Lindberg

Voting No: Dr. Martin, Mrs. Wortman

The result of the vote was: Passed.

2.13 Hotline Service

MOTION: It was moved by Thomas Knapp and seconded by John Schwanke that the Board of School Directors directs the administration to cancel the District Hotline Service at an estimated savings of \$5,500.

Elimination of Hotline Service Approved 6-1-0

The result of the vote was: Passed with Mr. Freestone voting no.

2.14 Other

3. Closing Activities

3.01 Adjournment

MOTION: It was moved by Jack Martin and seconded by Roger Dunham
that the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ruth A. Huck, Board Secretary

Kevin L. Freestone, Board Vice President