

**WARREN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES**

MONDAY, MAY 21, 2012

1. Opening Activities

1.1 Call to Order

The special meeting of the Warren County School District Board of School Directors was called to order by Mrs. Donna Zariczny, Vice President, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Warren County Career Center, 347 East Fifth Avenue, Warren, Pennsylvania.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

Mrs. Zariczny led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

1.3 Roll Call

Present:

Mr. John Grant	Mr. Jack Werner
Mr. Thomas Knapp	Dr. Paul Yourchisin
Ms. Nancy McDanel	Mr. Michael Zamborik
Ms. Mary Anne Paris	Mrs. Donna Zariczny
Mr. Arthur Stewart (via conference call)	

Roll Call

Others Present:

Mr. Brandon Hufnagel, Superintendent; Mrs. Amy Stewart, Director of Instructional Technology/Communications; Mrs. Diane Martin, Director of Special Education; Mr. James Grosch, Director of Business Services; Mr. Chris Byham, Solicitor; Mrs. Ruth Huck, Board Secretary; Mr. Brian Ferry, Times Observer; Mr. Michael Kiehl, Transportation/Purchasing Manager; Mr. Brian Collopy, Technology Coordinator; Mr. James Miller, Supervisor of District-wide Athletics & Co-Curricular Activities; Mr. Gary Weber, Principal; Mrs. Amy Beers, Principal; and approximately 25 unidentified members of the audience.

1.4 Reading of the Mission Statement - Mr. Thomas Knapp

The mission of the Warren County School District is to educationally empower all students to think critically and solve problems through a rigorous curriculum that will provide them with the skills necessary to graduate and pursue a career of their interest.

1.5 Reading of the WCSD/PSBA Standards for Effective School Governance and Code of Conduct - Mr. Jack Werner

We, as members of the Board of Education, representing all residents of our school district believe that the public expects that our first and greatest priority is to provide equitable educational opportunities for all youth. Accordingly, we should respect that the superintendent of schools and his staff are responsible and accountable for the delivery of the educational programs and the conduct of school operations.

1.6 Public Comment

2. New Business

2.1 Hearing Officer's Report

Hearing Officer's
Report
Approved
8-0-1

MOTION: It was moved by Mr. Knapp and seconded by Ms. Paris that the Board of School Directors approves the Hearing Officer Report dated May 21,2012, (Case: V)

The result of the vote: passed with Dr. Yourchisin abstaining.

2.2 PlanCon Part F Approval for Beaty-Warren Middle School Renovations (WCSD #1103)

PlanCon Part F
Beaty-Warren
Middle School
Renovations
Approved
9-0-0

MOTION: It was moved by Mr. Grant and seconded by Ms. Paris that the Board of School Directors certifies for submission to the Pennsylvania Department of Education PlanCon Part F and F20 for the Beaty Warren Middle School Renovations. This motion also certifies that the architect has been directed to insure that all plans related to this project conform to generally accepted codes or guidelines as set forth in Section 349.16 of the Department of Education Standards.

The result of the vote: passed unanimously.

2.3 Former Lander Elementary Property: Deed Restriction

Rescinding of
Motion from
April 11, 2005,
Removing Deed
Restrictions on
Lander Elementary
School Property
Approved
6-3-0

MOTION: It was moved by Mr. Grant and seconded by Ms. Paris that the Board of School Directors rescinds the motion that was made on April 11, 2005, where the Board of School Directors directed the solicitor to remove the deed restrictions and that that motion become null and void.

The result of the vote: passed with Ms. Paris, Ms. McDanel, and Mr. Knapp voting no.

2.4 Special Board Meeting - May 29, 2012

Scheduling Special
Meeting on
May 29, 2012
Approved
9-0-0

MOTION: It was moved by Mr. Knapp and seconded by Ms. Paris that the Board of School Directors schedules and authorizes the Board Secretary to advertise a special meeting for Tuesday, May 29, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. to approve a proposed final budget and any other items that may come before the Board.

The result of the vote: passed unanimously.

2.5 Other

Removal of Deed
Restrictions 1 & 2
on former Lander
Elementary School
Property
Moved to Table

MOTION: It was moved by Mr. Knapp and seconded by Ms. Paris that restrictions number one and number two on the deed of the Lander School property be removed.

Public Comment:

There was no public comment.

MOTION TO TABLE: It was moved by Mr. Stewart and seconded by Dr. Yourchisin that the Board of School Directors tables this motion until a proposal is set before the Board that sets forth the usage that would be different based on the removal of the restrictions.

Roll Call Vote:

Voting Yes: Mrs. Zariczny, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Werner, Dr. Yourchisin

Voting No: Mr. Grant, Mr. Knapp, Ms. McDanel, Ms. Paris,
Mr. Zamborik

The result of the vote: failed.

MOTION TO TABLE: It was moved by Mr. Grant and seconded by Dr. Yourchisin that the Board of School Directors tables this issue and puts out a request for the specificity of utilization before the Board makes a decision.

Roll Call Vote:

Voting Yes: Mrs. Zariczny, Mr. Grant, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Werner,
Dr. Yourchisin

Voting No: Mr. Zamborik, Mr. Knapp, Ms. McDanel, Ms. Paris,

The result of the vote: passed.

Mrs. Zariczny announced an executive session would be held to discuss a memorandum with Act 93 and negotiations regarding salary concessions with WCEA following the Committee of the Whole meeting.

3. Closing Activities

3.1 Adjournment

MOTION: It was moved by Mr. Zamborik and seconded by Ms. Paris that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ruth A. Huck, Board Secretary

Motion to Table
Removal of
Deed
Restrictions
1 & 2 on the
Former Lander
ES Property
Fails
4-5-0

Motion to Table
Removal of
Deed
Restrictions
1 & 2 on the
Former Lander
ES Property &
Request
Proposed
Utilization of
Property
Approved
5-4-0