

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MINUTES
MAY 21, 2012
WARREN COUNTY CAREER CENTER, LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. John Grant
Mr. Thomas Knapp
Ms. Nancy McDanel
Ms. Mary Anne Paris

Mr. Jack Werner
Dr. Paul Yourchisin
Mr. Michael Zamborik
Mrs. Donna Zariczny

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Arthur Stewart

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. Opening Activities

1.1 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Committee Chairperson Mr. Jack Werner.

1.2 Public Comment

None

2. New Business

2.1 Proposed Disbursement of District Athletic Funds

Discussion:

Mr. James Miller led a discussion with three proposed options for distribution of district athletics funds for the 2012-2013 school year.

Three Options for Funding Athletics:

1. Use the current formula to determine the distribution of athletic funds for the current school year.
2. Use a formula based on the number of students that have participated in an athletic sport during the current school year.

3. Use a formula based on a combination of several factors including cost of the program and the number of participants in the program.

Concerns include:

1. The number of students participating in a sport will drop because of costs to parents and booster groups.
2. The number of sports that a student participates in will drop due to the cost to parents and booster groups.
3. Replacement of equipment will not happen.

Recommendations:

1. Distribute district athletic funds to the buildings using the programs and participation example.
2. Raise ticket prices by \$1.00, and these funds would be distributed at the direction of the principal for athletic teams.
3. Charge admission for middle level sports, and these funds would be used in the athletic programs at the schools.
4. Direct administration to develop a three year sustainability plan to maintain an affordable number of athletic programs at each building and establish cooperative sports agreements as needed.

Action:

The committee agreed to forward to the Board an open-ended motion providing the Board an opportunity to decide which option it prefers.

Attachments:

Athletic Presentation for Proposed Distribution of Athletic Funds.

2.2 Increase in Ticket Prices

Action:

The committee agreed to forward this item to the Board for approval.

Motion:

That the Board of School Directors approves to raise ticket prices and the additional revenues gathered go into the athletic equipment replacement fund.

2.3 Pay to View Middle Level Event

Action:

The committee agreed to forward this item to the Board for approval.

Motion:

That the Board of School Directors approves that the monies that are secured by this charging of admission will go into the athletic equipment replacement fund.

3. Closing Activities

3.3 Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ruth A. Huck, Board Secretary