

WARREN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2016

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. Zariczny, President, at 7:34 p.m. in the Board Room of Central Office, 6820 Market Street, Russell, Pennsylvania.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

Mrs. Zariczny led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.3 Roll Call

Roll Call

Present:

Mr. John Anderson

Mr. Joseph Colosimo

Mr. Paul Mangione

Mrs. Marcy Morgan

Mr. Arthur Stewart (arrived at 7:37 p.m.)

Mr. John Werner

Mr. Michael Zamborik

Mrs. Donna Zariczny

Absent:

Mr. Thomas Knapp

Others Present:

Mrs. Amy Stewart, Superintendent; Mr. Gary Weber, Director of Administrative Support Services; Dr. Norbert Kennerknecht, Director of Buildings & Grounds Services; Mr. James Grosch, Director of Business Services; Mrs. Rhonda Decker, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment; Dr. Patricia Hawley, Director of Pupil Services; Mr. Eric Mineweaser, Supervisor of Elementary Education; Mr. Chris Byham, Solicitor; Mrs. Ruth Huck, Board Secretary; Mr. Brian Ferry, Times Observer; Mr. Matt Jones, Coordinator of Grants and Foundation Development; Mr. Brian Collopy, Technology Coordinator; Mr. Roger Tubbs, Technology Specialist; Mr. Richard Gignac, Supervisor of District-wide Athletics & Co-Curricular Activities; Mrs. Suzanne Turner, Human Resource Supervisor; Mr. Glenn Smith, Assistant Principal; Ms. Ann Ryan, Principal; Mrs. Melissa McLean, Information Specialist; and one member of the public in the audience.

1.4 Reading of the Mission Statement - Mr. Michael Zamborik

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.

The Warren County School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability or age in its programs, activities or employment practices and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. Inquiries may be directed to Mr. Gary Weber, Title IX/Section 504 Coordinator at 6820 Market Street, Russell, PA 16345 or (814) 723-6900.

- 1.5 Reading of the WCSD/PSBA Principles of Governance and Leadership - Mrs. Marcy Morgan
Principles for Governance and Leadership

Pennsylvania school boards are committed to providing every student the opportunity to grow and achieve. The actions taken by the Board ultimately have both short and long-term impact in the classroom. Therefore, school directors collectively and individually will...

Communicate Clearly

- *Promote open, honest and respectful dialogue among the board, staff, and community*
- *Encourage input and support for the district from the school community*
- *Protect confidentiality*
- *Honor the sanctity of executive session*

- 1.6 Public Comment

There was no public comment.

2. New Business

- 2.1 Qualified Zone Academy Bond (QZAB) Program - Warren Area High School

QZAB Program –
WAHS
Approved
8-0-0

MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the Resolution indicating the intent to accept the Qualified Zone Academy Bond Funds for the Warren Area High School Renovations Project, as presented.

Motion by John Werner, second by Marcy Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: John Anderson, Joseph Colosimo, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, John Werner, Michael Zamborik, Donna Zariczny, Arthur Stewart

- 2.2 Qualified Zone Academy Bond (QZAB) Program - Warren County Career Center

QZAB Program –
WCCC
Approved
8-0-0

MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the Resolution indicating the intent to accept the Qualified Zone Academy Bond Funds for the Warren County Career Center Renovations Project, as presented.

Motion by Marcy Morgan, second by Michael Zamborik.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: John Anderson, Joseph Colosimo, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, John Werner, Michael Zamborik, Donna Zariczny, Arthur Stewart

- 2.3 General Obligation Bonds Authorization - Warren County School District

General Obligation
Bonds
Authorization –
WCSD
Approved
8-0-0

MOTION: That the Board of School Directors of the Warren County School District does hereby authorize the Administration to work with PFM Financial Advisors, LLC as Independent Financial Advisor, Knox, McLaughlin, Gornall & Sennett, P.C. as Bond Counsel, and the local Solicitor to issue G.O. Bonds, Series 2016 for the purpose of financing the District's 2016 QZAB allocation in the amount of \$5,000,000.

Motion by John Werner, second by Michael Zamborik.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: John Anderson, Joseph Colosimo, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, John Werner, Michael Zamborik, Donna Zariczny, Arthur Stewart

2.4 General Obligation Bonds Authorization - Warren County Area Vocational Technical School (Warren County Career Center)

General Obligation Bonds Authorization WCAVTS Approved 8-0-0
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MOTION: That the Board of School Directors of the Warren County School District, acting in its capacity as Directors of the Warren County Area Vocational Technical School (Warren County Career Center), does here by authorize the Administration to work with PFM Financial Advisors, LLC as Independent Financial Advisor, Knox McLaughlin, Gornall & Sennett, P.C. as Bond Counsel and the local Solicitor to issue Series A of 2016 for the purpose of Financing the Warren County Area Vocational Technical School's (WCCC's) 2016 QZAB allocation in the amount of \$5,000,000.

Motion by Michael Zamborik, second by Marcy Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: John Anderson, Joseph Colosimo, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, John Werner, Michael Zamborik, Donna Zariczny, Arthur Stewart

2.5 Other

Mrs. Zariczny announced there would be an executive session following committee meetings to discuss negotiations and personnel matters with no action to follow.

3. Closing Activities

3.1 Adjournment

MOTION: It was moved by Michael Zamborik and seconded by Marcy Morgan that the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ruth A. Huck, Board Secretary