WARREN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2023

1. Opening Activities

1.1 Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Warren County School District Board of School Directors was called to order by Mr. Mangione, President, at 6:01 p.m. in the Central Office Boardroom and via Zoom meeting.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Mangione led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.3 Roll Call

Present:

Mr. Cody Brown Mrs. Marcy Morgan (via Zoom)

Mr. Joseph Colosimo Mrs. Mary Passinger
Mr. Jeffery Dougherty Mr. Arthur Stewart
Mr. Kevin Lindvay Mrs. Donna Zariczny

Mr. Paul Mangione

Others Present:

Mrs. Amy Stewart, Superintendent; Mr. Gary Weber, Director of Administrative Support Services; Mr. James Grosch, Director of Business Services; Mr. Eric Mineweaser, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment; Mrs. Lynn Shultz, Supervisor of Elementary Education; Mr. Chris Byham, Solicitor; Mrs. Taylor Trisket, Assistant Board Secretary; Mr. Rick Gignac, Supervisor of District-wide Athletics & Co-Curricular Activities; Mr. Michael Kiehl, Transportation and Purchasing Manager; Mr. Matt Jones, Coordinator of Grants and Foundation Development; Mrs. Jennifer Dilks, Coordinator of Technology; Mr. David Undercoffer, Operations Manager; Mr. Brandon Deppen, Safety & Security Coordinator; Mr. Brian Ferry, WTO; Mr. Brian Hagberg, Your Daily Local; and approximately 45 members of the public in attendance.

1.4 Reading of the Mission Statement - Mr. Arthur Stewart

The mission of the Warren County School District is to support the personal and intellectual success and wellness of every student, every day.

1.5 Reading of the WCSD/PSBA Principles of Governance & Leadership - Mrs. Mary Passinger

Pennsylvania school boards are committed to providing every student the opportunity to grow and achieve. Our actions, as elected and appointed board members, ultimately have both short- and long-term impact in the classroom. Therefore, we pledge that we will...

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Advocate Earnestly

- By promoting public education as the keystone of our commonwealth
- By engaging the community by seeking input, building support networks, and generating action
- By championing public education by engaging local, state and federal officials

1.6 Public Comment

Hoffman Middle School students to Warren Area High School was discussed in a previous meeting. A Board member stated a decade ago, taxpayers' money was used to renovate Beaty-Warren Middle School for a multi-decade investment. She agrees with this statement and adds she looks at Eisenhower and Sheffield the same way as they both have additions to the buildings paid for with taxpayer money. Why are we looking at a Master Facilities Plan when we should be looking at a Master Education Plan? Ms. Hoffman quoted statistics from Schooldigger which show the Warren County School District is below average in educating the students of	3.6 .
all grade levels. She explained Kane Area School District rates 244 spots ahead of the Warren County School District. She believes the district needs to talk to neighboring districts to see what works for them rather than hiring outside consulting services. Ms. Hoffman described advanced classes as being the minority as students have more options such as Dual Enrollment, online Virtual Academy programs or can travel to Warren for advanced classes. Ms. Hoffman would like to see the Board take into consideration a pilot distance learning program and broadcast three to four classes that are most needed. Forest County has been using this teaching method for over a decade. She believes bringing existing classes to the buildings is the answer and moving students will cause many negative impacts including a financial impact, which is PA Cyber. She expressed concern with students choosing to do PA Cyber learning rather than staying with the Warren County School District and explained the financial impact would cost the district and the taxpayers immensely. Ms. Hoffman thanked the Board for their time.	Marcia Hoffman

Annio	Choffi-1 J	Ms. Annia Cook avaraged concern shout Superintendent
Annie Cook	Sheffield	Ms. Annie Cook expressed concern about Superintendent, Amy Stewart, not being aware of what is going on in the communities or schools. She believes Strategy Solutions is pushing the Board to decide without all the data needed because they do not have any connection with the community or the students. Ms. Cook had been told by a teacher she "is wasting her time because a decision has already been made". She was also told the grades 9-12 students at Sheffield were blind sided by needing to fill out schedules for classes at Warren Area High School for next year. She explained this is causing fear and anxiety among the students. Ms. Cook feels there is a lack of communication and trust among the smaller communities. Why do community members need to use the legal Right-to-know system to obtain information from Central Office rather than having it freely given?
Wendy MacQueen	Russell	Ms. Wendy MacQueen thanked the Board for the opportunity to speak and have their voices heard. She asked the Board to halt the process until all options can be further explored. She explained students in Eisenhower, Sheffield, and Youngsville are content to stay in their already assigned schools but those who would like to change schools should have the freedom to do so. Ms. MacQueen believes the option to move students out of Warren to the outlying schools would be a logistical nightmare. She explained this is not a "Warren vs. Us battle". She would like to see each attendance area take care of their own schools which would allow Youngsville to evolve into a K-12 like Eisenhower and Sheffield. She expressed how proud she is of Youngsville, Sheffield, and Eisenhower for their athletics and academics. She is concerned reconfiguration will take away the identities of students, especially after COVID-19. Ms. MacQueen is also concerned reconfiguration may cause students to leave the district for PA Cyber School, as well as an increase of mental health services, stress on Special Education students, and staff from all schools.
William Gardner	Sheffield	Mr. William Gardner stated it takes a very dedicated person to be on the school board and makes the decisions the people elected you as individuals to make. He believes nobody on the board or in the room wants to lose a school. He believes the impact on the students and community by moving an entire high school would be detrimental. Mr. Gardner mentions at the beginning of this process, the community was told money is not being taken into consideration and the focus is on offering equal class opportunities to students and the shortage of educators. It has now been discussed about the increase of taxes and politics have been involved which distracts from the original purpose. Mr. Gardner expressed he is not in favor of moving an entire high school to an already congested high school. He would like to look at the options of having students from other attendance areas attend classes only offered at Warren Area High School in the morning by riding the Vo-Tech bus and returning to their assigned schools for afternoon classes and activities. Mr. Gardner would also like to look at the option of utilizing technology for students to take online advanced courses. He feels keeping students in a smaller class setting allows for better

		and more trusting student-teacher relationships. Mr. Gardner
		asked the board to further explore options that would keep the students and communities intact.
Tammi	Sheffield	
Holden	Sherrield	Ms. Tammi Holden referenced the recent April 3, 2023, FAQ document which compared the WCSD to other Pennsylvania school districts with similar geographics and number of schools within a district. She mentioned Keystone Central School District (KCSD) in Clinton County shares the most similarities with the WCSD in geographics, Virtual Academy, student population and student to teacher ratio. She explained there is a large difference in the budget and where the budget allocations are going. Ms. Holden determined the WCSD spends more on transportation and less on curriculum than KCSD. She explained the transportation budget will need to substantially increase and the instructional budget will decrease accordingly. Is this what is best for schools and taxpayers? Ms. Holden thanked the Board for their time.
Kellie	Warren	Ms. Kellie Blasco is a lifetime resident of Warren. She offered
Blasco		appreciation and acknowledged the hard work of the Board and the paid professionals of the WCSD Administrative Offices. Ms. Blasco stated she is here to remind everyone the Warren Central Attendance Area must not be forgotten. She explained taking two already small schools of Warren Area High School and Eisenhower and making them smaller does not make any sense. This will allow for four high schools to stay operating but at what expense? She believes small class size is good to a point but beyond that point it offers less including class offerings, advanced classes, less meaningful special education programming, and support. Ms. Blasco works for the gifted program within the district and travels among the attendance areas. She is impressed by the community support but is concerned with the class offerings due to class numbers. The Warren County Career Center (WCCC) continues to grow and prepares students for outside of high school. She explained outside of the WCCC, the WCSD continues to move backwards due to offering less and less because of the numbers of students. She acknowledged the Board has a hard decision to make and they must move forward. She explained it is not the responsibility of the WCSD Board of School Directors to put students in buildings; it is the job of the school board to offer the best possible education for the students of Warren County.
Rob Cook	Sheffield	Mr. Rob Cook explained how well his student is doing academically by attending school outside of the WCSD and has more classes offered to him. He explained the teacher of his student teaches multiple grade levels and has more preps than the teachers of the WCSD. Mr. Cook said he spoke to a Board member previously who commented his student was doing well because of the small class size. He referred to the comment when he questioned why increasing class size would benefit the students when a Board member agrees small class sizes work efficiently. He feels the smaller communities are being targeted. He would like to see the reconfiguration as it is but redraw the boundary lines in a sensible way. He mentioned he feels the board has already made their decision and are going against the Principals of

		Governance and Leadership which refers to engaging the community as he feels the district has not been gaining input or engaging fully with the communities. He encourages the school board to visit their regions and meet with the people of those communities.
Gladys Archer	Warren	Ms. Gladys Archer thanked the board for letting her speak. She does not feel any of the options are ready to be put forward. She explained she has reviewed all the documents put forward, but the board still hasn't asked the necessary questions that will help solve as many problems as possible. Ms. Archer believes the questions being asked are clarification questions rather than questions on data or filling in the gaps and stated she could come up with at least 20 of her own questions. She stated the goal should not be to just move pieces around but to make sure any changes include the operational changes as well. Ms. Archer explained if these changes are not considered, teacher shortages and low student enrollment are always going to be a problem. Why was there not a wider net of individuals interviewed? She mentioned she did not see any teachers, paraprofessionals, guidance counselors, presidents of PTO and PTAs, and student leadership among those who have been interviewed. She inquired on why families in the county are choosing to have their students receive education outside of the WCSD. She has a proposal she is gathering information for prior to putting it forward to the board for consideration but more questions need answered first. Ms. Archer expressed how students struggle with a sense of belonging and purpose. She would like to see more questions asked and more data presented.
Kelly Sullivan	Youngsville	Ms. Kelly Sullivan read an email she sent to the board members on March 15th in which she did not receive a response back from. She stated she did eventually receive a response back from Mr. Mangione and Mrs. Passinger after sending a second time. She thanked Mrs. Amy Stewart for putting together the FAQ document as she understands it is a big task. She told the board she appreciated it when they halted the process at the March 8th Community Engagement Session. Ms. Sullivan continued reading the email asking to hold the four Community Engagement Sessions at the four high schools, which was supported with the petition given to the board. She explained it makes it difficult for families to attend due to work schedules and meetings. She inquired why classes cannot be offered via Zoom. She explained distance learning into Warren has been used for years and has been successful for many. She also inquired why Central Office cannot be distributed to the underlying schools. Ms. Sullivan expressed interest in what the status of Pleasant Elementary is; whether it is being sold or renovated. She explained in the last Master Facilities Plan, Youngsville was not recommended to be closed but Warren Area High School was. She asks why Youngsville cannot become a K-12 with improvements and updates. Ms. Sullivan would like Youngsville to have the same respect that all the other schools have been given. She thanked the board for their time.

Dana Hennessy	Sheffield	Mr. Dana Hennessy explained he grew up in Clarendon and attended Allegheny Valley Elementary School, Sheffield, and Vo-Tech. He stated he and his brother own four successful
Hennessy		Vo-Tech. He stated he and his brother own four successful businesses in Clarendon. He does not agree with the decision he believes has already been made to shut schools down. He explained he knows of teachers who will testify of board members who are bragging about the decision to shut down schools. Mr. Hennessy said he has been told that Mrs. Amy Stewart addresses the teachers in Warren and asks them to tell students and families how good the change will be for everyone involved. He inquired as to why we are doing a reconfiguration if it is not a money problem as previously stated by the board. Mr. Hennessy explained community leaders invest in their community schools so the students can play sports and have a playground. He believes the decision to ship students to Warren from Sheffield will create unhappy people. Mr. Hennessy understands and appreciates that
		board members are volunteers but believes there should be a term limit. He reminded the board they work for the public. He explained he has worked on the construction of the schools and does not believe Warren Area High School is big enough to accommodate more students. He is concerned teachers are going to lose their jobs. Mr. Hennessy recommended the board halt the process and wait until the election.

1.7 Agenda Adoption

Agenda Adoption Approved 9-0-0 **MOTION**: That the Board of School Directors adopts the agenda dated April 10, 2023.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Joseph Colosimo.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

1.8 Approval of Minutes - March 13, 2023

<u>MOTION</u>: That the Board of School Directors approves the regular meeting minutes dated March 13, 2023, as presented.

March 13, 2023, Minutes Approved 9-0-0

Motion by Arthur Stewart, second by Jeffrey Dougherty.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

1.9 Approval of Special Meeting Minutes - March 27, 2023

March 27, 2023, Special Meeting Minutes Approved 9-0-0 <u>MOTION</u>: That the Board of School Directors approves the special meeting minutes dated March 27, 2023, as presented.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

1.10 Financial Reports

<u>MOTION</u>: That the Board of School Directors approves the Financial Reports and authorizes the release of funds in payment of the listing of bills; further, that a copy as presented be submitted for audit.

Financial

Motion by Mary Passinger, second by Jeffrey Doughtery.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

Reports

Approved 9-0-0

Officer Report

Approved 9-0-0

Discipline -

Student #40 Approved

9-0-0

1.11 Hearing Officer Report

MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the Hearing Officer Report for Case G, as presented.

Motion by Mary Passinger, second by Donna Zariczny.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

1.12 Stipulation of Discipline - Student #40

MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the Stipulation of Discipline for Student #40, as presented.

Stipulation of Discipline for Stipulation

Motion by Mary Passinger, second by Arthur Stewart.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

2. President's Statement

- 2.1 Reports & Information
 - 1. IU5 Mr. Paul Mangione

Mr. Paul Mangione stated the IU5 minutes are attached for review. He mentioned there is a large list of bills through House and Senate but there is no further update.

2. PSBA Liaison - Mrs. Marcy Morgan

Mrs. Marcy Morgan does not have anything to report.

- 3. Career Center Advisory Mrs. Donna Zariczny
 - Mrs. Donna Zariczny reported Building Construction is building benches for Pleasant Community Church. Protective Services has a couple students completing the Northern Pennsylvania Regional College (NPRC) Emergency Medical Technician course and are waiting on national registry for further testing dates. A Protective Service student has also been granted an NPRC due to classwork and testing. Welding will be receiving a new shearer machine which was purchased through a PDE supplemental grant. All programs are working on their NOCTI testing which includes a written and performance portion. The Warren County Career Center will be holding its

first ever Program Completion Ceremony on Thursday, May 25^{th} for students who have completed their programs.

2.2 Important Dates

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		BOAKD/	COMMITTEE MEETING DATES	
1.	April 18, 2023	6:00 p.m.	Public Engagement Session II - Options Analysis	Central Office
2.	April 24, 2023	6:00 p.m.	Personnel/Athletics & Co-Curricular Activities Committee Curriculum, Instruction, & Technology Committee Physical Plant & Facilities Committee Finance Committee Board Work Session - Narrow down options	Zoom Meeting Central Office
3.	May 8, 2023	6:00 p.m.	Board Meeting	Zoom Meeting Central Office
4.	May 9, 2023	6:00 p.m.	Public Engagement Session III - Discuss narrowed down options and narrow to two	Central Office
5.	May 22, 2023	6:00 p.m.	Curriculum, Instruction, & Technology Committee Physical Plant & Facilities Committee Finance Committee Personnel/Athletics & Co-Curricular Activities Committee Special Meeting – Decision on option	Zoom Meeting Central Office

2.3 Announcements

2.4 Other

3. Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations

3.1 General Comments - Mrs. Amy Stewart

Mrs. Amy Stewart reported she has reached out to Strategy Solutions and was told there are over 1,600 responses to the survey. She encouraged everyone to complete the survey and to reach out if they have a difficult time accessing it.

She mentioned students and staff are getting back to work after a long five-day weekend and the focus will be on testing which will begin within the next month. At faculty meetings, she is receiving feedback from teachers and the three major concerns are discipline, mental health, and attendance of teachers and students.

Mrs. Stewart said there are two things being worked on at this time: staffing and budget. She asked Mr. Jim Grosch to begin his budget presentation.

3.2 Committee Reports

3.3 Budget Discussion -FIN- Mr. Arthur Stewart

Mr. Jim Grosch explained the budget includes an overview of the 21/22 audited actuals which was presented by Felix & Gloeckler in January 2023. He continued by reviewing the 2022-2023 approved budget and stated there was a .5 Mill increase which was approved by the board prior to the state approving their budget. He explained there was a deficit of 2.7 million dollars knowing the state did not include any increase in basic education funding or special education funding at that time. Included in the 22/23 approved budget is over 6.8 million dollars in ESSER expenses with corresponding revenues. Mr. Grosch proceeded by discussing the estimated 23/24 budget. He explained in the past, the district has used a 12 month burn rate and by using the method now, through February of 2023, there is an estimated burn rate of 102.62%. This suggests the district will spend all the budget expenses as well as 2.62% or 2.4 million more than what was budgeted. He says the spending patterns have not been consistent due to ESSER.

Mr. Grosch explained there was some planned use of committed funds this year in the budget and the district may need to use some additional committed funds if the burns rate continues to be above 100%. He reported he is still reviewing the actual spending of ESSER dollars for the 22/23 school year. With the burn rate as is, the district will be at a deficit of 3.2 million dollars. Mr. Grosch explained typically there is a five-year projection however, due to the amount of work that needs to be done for staffing and ESSER dollars, it did not seem prudent to project out five years when there is work to be done for the 23/24 budget. He stated this is the last full year of using ESSER dollars unless something changes within the federal government. He reviewed the increase of labor costs and fringe benefits which make up 65% of the total budget. Transportation is 6.6 million dollars due to an increase contractually and 6.6 million for Charter & Cyber Tuition. Mr. Grosch informed the board that the administration will work on 7-year plans to present. Total expenditures are projected to be 95.9 million dollars which includes the PSERS decline.

Mr. Grosch explained there is a decrease in local taxes due to a decline in the assessed value of properties as well as a decline in collection percentages. Ms. Donna Zariczny asked for clarification on whether this is for appeals on the assessed value of property or people not paying their taxes. Mr. Grosch responded by saying he is referring to both and further explained the district will eventually be reimbursed for delinquent taxes but it would take several years. Earned income has increased and the number is given to the district from Berkheimer who handles earned income tax collection for the county. There is a minimal increase in revenues from the 22/23 school year. Ms. Mary Passinger observed that the real estate transfer seems to be about the same as the 22/23 budget. Mr. Grosch explained during COVID-19, many people were selling their homes which was driving the prices up and the district collected their portion. The market has since slowed down.

Mr. Grosch reviewed the increase of the Basic Ed Funding and the Special Ed Funding projected in the Governor's budget which was completed in February. This year, he budgeted with the increase given by the Governor but could likely change. There is also an increase in Social Security and PSERS. He projected there will be a decline in Federal Revenue due to the change in ESSER spending. There is a projected deficit of about 1.9 million dollars if spent at a 100% burn rate and the increase of Basic Ed and Special Ed funding stated by the Governor. He explained there is a still work to be done to the budget and will be brought back to the board.

Mrs. Amy Stewart explained the projects are coming from information put out from the state in February, and there has been no update since then. She explained the district will be

presenting millage offers to consider as things post COVID-19 cost much more than before. She explained this is the most complicated staffing the district has done.

Mr. Arthur Stewart inquired if there is a desire to continue, at the Finance Committee, the add and deducts process that has been followed up until COVID-19. He is concerned there may not be time for the administration to put together recommendations for things to add or cut for the board to consider. Mrs. Amy Stewart expressed administration will work on the adds to present to the board but at this time two things to consider is additional SRO time and adding a teacher to the Warren County Career Center for the childcare program. Mr. Stewart recalls from previous meetings the discussion on looking at cuts to consider prior to an increase in millage. He asked if fellow board members would like to consider cutting or adding, to send those to the finance committee members. Mrs. Amy Stewart explained there are cuts on the table now which she would like to apply to the ESSER positions as most of the money was put into the classrooms with positions. Mrs. Mary Passinger was under the impression the district was going to take the approach of using the money up with no cuts and have the state support us as they have done in other districts. Mr. Stewart stated he had this mind set last year when he did not approve of the millage increase. He reviewed the results of the lawsuit which found the funding through Pennsylvania was inequitable but there is no information on when it will turn into material dollars. Solicitor, Chris Byham said there is no mechanism in place to fix the inequitable funding issue. He believes it will be several years before a new funding formula is created. Mr. Stewart asked Mr. Byham and Mr. Grosch if they feel the proposed EDSBY funding in the 23/24 budget has been done in the way they feel it should be done legally and have abandoned the formula. Mr. Grosch explained the spreadsheets put out by the state are all using the formula at this time. Mr. Stewart asked if there is something the district needs to be doing to question the way the EDSBY funding is being distributed. Mr. Byham suggested he could reach out to council to see how this affects Warren if that is the desire of the board. Many board members agreed this would be valid for Mr. Byham to proceed with. Mr. Stewart inquired as to whether the administration feels a reserve for the departure of the ESSER funds would be beneficial. Mrs. Amy Stewart explained this is something the administration can come forward with, if necessary, as this is already work that is being done.

3.4 Other

4. New Business - Consent Agenda

4.1 Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda Approved 9-0-0 **MOTION**: That the Board of School Directors approves the consent agenda.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

4.2 Budget Transfer - \$3000.00 -FIN- Mr. Arthur Stewart

MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the Resolution and Budget Transfer in the amount of \$3000.00.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

Budget Transfer \$3,000 Approved 9-0-0

4.3 Certificated Personnel Report - PACCA - Mr. Kevin Lindvay

MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the Certificated Personnel Report, as presented.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Report Approved 9-0-0

Certificated Personnel

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

4.4 Support Personnel Report - PACCA - Mr. Kevin Lindvay

MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the Support Personnel Report as presented.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Personnel Report Approved 9-0-0

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

4.5 Volunteer Report - PACCA - Mr. Kevin Lindvay

<u>MOTION</u>: That the Board of School Directors approves the Volunteer Report, as presented.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Volunteer Report Approved 9-0-0

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

4.6 New Bus Drivers - PACCA - Mr. Kevin Lindvay

MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the list of new bus drivers, as presented.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

New Bus Drivers Approved 9-0-0

Athletic

Supplemental Contracts and

Resignations Approved

9-0-0

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

4.7 Athletic Supplemental Contracts and Resignations - PACCA - Mr. Kevin Lindvay

MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the Athletic Supplemental Contracts and Resignations, as presented.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

4.8 Co-Curricular Supplemental Contracts and Resignations - PACCA - Mr. Kevin Lindvay

MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the Co-Curricular Supplemental Contracts and Resignations, as presented.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Co-Curricular Supplemental Contracts and Resignations Approved 9-0-0

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

4.9 Athletics ArbiterSports Family ID Subscriptions Renewal - PACCA Mr. Kevin Lindvay

Athletics ArbiterSports Family ID Subscriptions Renewal Approved 9-0-0 <u>MOTION</u>: That the Board of School Directors approves the ArbiterSports Subscription Renewal from April 12, 2023, through April 11, 2024, as presented.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

4.10 New Hope Assistance Dog Agreement to Purchase Two (2) Therapy Dogs - CIT - Mr. Joseph Colosimo

New Hope Assistance Dog Agreement to Purchase Two (2) Therapy Approved 9-0-0 <u>MOTION</u>: That the Board of School Directors approves the purchase of two (2) additional dogs pursuant to the District's existing agreement with New Hope Assistance Dogs, Inc., and at a cost of \$5,000 per dog, as presented.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

4.11 STRIVE Program Workforce Curriculum Program Purchase - CIT - Mr. Joseph Colosimo

STRIVE Program
Workforce
Curriculum
Program Purchase
Approved
9-0-0

MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the STRIVE Program Workforce Curriculum Program purchase in the amount of \$43,405.00, as presented.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

4.12 McGraw Hill Connecting Math Curriculum Purchase - CIT - Mr. Joseph Colosimo

McGraw Hill Connecting Math Curriculum Purchase Approved 9-0-0 **MOTION**: That the Board of School Directors approves the McGraw Hill Connecting Math Curriculum purchase in the amount of \$14,851.92, as presented.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

4.13 McGraw Hill Reading Mastery Signature Edition Purchase - CIT - Mr. Joseph Colosimo

McGraw Hill Reading Mastery Signature Edition Purchase Approved 9-0-0 **MOTION**: That the Board of School Directors approves the McGraw Hill Reading Mastery Signature Edition purchase in the amount of \$31,343.40, as presented.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

4.14 2023-2025 Sweet, Stevens, Katz, & Williams LLP ("SSKW") Legal Services Consultation Agreement - CIT - Mr. Joseph Colosimo

MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the 2023-2025 Sweet, Stevens, Katz, & Williams LLP ("SSKW") Legal Services Consultation Agreement in the amount of \$18,000.00, as presented.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

4.15 ESSA Foster Care WCSD and Children and Youth Services of Erie County, PA Transportation Plan (July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2026) - CIT - Mr. Joseph Colosimo

<u>MOTION</u>: That the Board of School Directors approves the ESSA Foster Care WCSD and Children and Youth Services of Erie County, PA Transportation Plan, as presented.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

4.16 Raptor Technologies renewal Annual Raptor Emergency Management Full Suite - CIT - Mr.

Joseph Colosimo

Raptor

<u>MOTION</u>: That the Board of School Directors approves Raptor Technologies renewal notice for Annual Raptor Emergency Management Full Suite in the amount of \$17,820.00, as presented.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

4.17 GovConnection sales quote 25461766.01 - CIT - Mr. Joseph Colosimo

<u>MOTION</u>: That the Board of School Directors approves the purchase of Verkada cameras for a Warren County School District kitchen per the GovConnection sales quote 25461766.01 for in the amount of \$26,080.00, as presented.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

4.18 All Lines Technology Quote 003511 - CIT - Mr. Joseph Colosimo

<u>MOTION</u>: That the Board of School Directors approves the purchase from All Lines Technology per Quote 003511 for Lenovo 65W AC Adapters in the amount of \$37,000.00, as presented.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

2023-2025 Sweet, Stevens, Katz, & Williams LLP Legal Services Consultation Agreement Approved 9-0-0

Youth Services of Erie County, PA Transportation Plan Approved 9-0-0

Technologies renewal Annual

Raptor

Emergency Management

Full Suite Approved

ESSA Foster Care

WCSD and Children and

GovConnection sales quote 25461766.01 Approved 9-0-0

All Line Technology Quote 003511 Approved 9-0-0

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

4.19 Incident IQ Renewal quote # 30119 - CIT - Mr. Joseph Colosimo

Incident IQ Renewal Quote #30119 Approved 9-0-0 <u>MOTION</u>: That the Board of School Directors approves the purchase of the Incident IQ Subscription Renewal per quote # 30119 from June 3, 2023, and ends on June 2, 2024, in the amount of \$18,857.53, as presented.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

4.20 Apptegy Rooms Development Contract - CIT - Mr. Joseph Colosimo

Apptegy Rooms Development Contract Approved 9-0-0 **MOTION**: That the Board of School Directors approves Apptegy Rooms Development Contract with a one-time development fee of \$14,125.00 + \$17,000.00 annual fee from June 17, 2023, through June 17, 2024, as presented.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

4.21 Microsoft Licensing Subscriptions - GovConnection Sales Quote 25465251.01 - CIT - Mr. Joseph Colosimo

Microsoft Licensing Subscriptions GovConnection Sales Quote 25465251. Approved 9-0-0 <u>MOTION</u>: That the Board of School Directors approves the renewal of the regularly occurring Microsoft Licensing subscriptions per the GovConnection sales quote 25465251.01 in the amount of \$66,100.36, as presented.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

4.22 Accelerate Agreement - CIT - Mr. Joseph Colosimo

Accelerate Agreement Approved 9-0-0 **MOTION**: That the Board of School Directors approves the Accelerate Agreement, in the amount of \$200,025.00, as presented.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

4.23 IXL Learning Subscription Purchase - CIT - Mr. Joseph Colosimo

IXL Learning Subscription Purchase Approved 9-0-0 <u>MOTION</u>: That the Board of School Directors approves the license subscription renewal from IXL Learning per Quote #3627919-2023-001-3 in the amount of \$96,235.00, as presented.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

4.24 Allegheny Educational Systems, Inc. - CIT - Mr. Joseph Colosimo

MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the purchase from Allegheny

Educational Systems, Inc. per quote #QT-23-01031 in the amount of \$95,137.25, as presented.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

4.25 2023-2024 Custodial Supplies Co-Stars Purchase - PPF - Ms. Donna Zariczny

<u>MOTION</u>: That the Board of School Directors approves the purchase of custodial supplies for the 2023-2024 school year through Co-Stars from Janitor Supply (Co-Star #005-046) and Desantis (Co-Star #005-115), as presented.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

4.26 2023-2024 Youngsville Elementary School Classroom Lease (2) - IU5 Early Intervention

Program - PPF - Ms. Donna Zariczny

<u>MOTION</u>: That the Board of School Directors approves a lease agreement between the Northwest Tri-County IU5 and the District for two (2) classrooms at Youngsville Elementary School during the 2023-2024 school year for its Early Intervention Program, as presented.

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

- 5. Items Removed for Separate Action
- 6. Future Business for Committee Review
- 7. Other
 - 7.1 Repository Sales

<u>MOTION</u>: That the Board of School Directors approves the Repository Sales, as presented.

Motion by Joseph Colosimo, second by Donna Zariczny.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

Repository Sales Approved 9-0-0

2023-2024 Custodial Supplies Co-Stars Purchase Approved 9-0-0

Allegheny

Educational Systems, Inc.

Approved 9-0-0

Elementary School Classroom Lease (2) – IU5 Early Intervention Program Approved 9-0-0

2023-2024 Youngsville

7.2 TANF 2022-23 Grant Amendment

MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves an amendment to the TANF 2022-23 Grant increasing the award to \$63,220.00

Motion by Donna Zariczny, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Cody Brown, Joseph Colosimo, Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Marcy Morgan, Mary Passinger, Arthur Stewart, Donna Zariczny

TANF 2022-23 Grant Amendment Approved 9-0-0

8. Closing Activities

8.1 Public Comment

Courtney Williams	Sheffield	Ms. Courtney Williams mentioned while reading the agenda for tonight's meeting, she reviewed the list of bills for this month and there were a lot of bills for tuition for both special education and basic education for brick and mortar as well as Cyber and Charter schools. She inquires if this is the amount the district pays for the cyber and charter schools and if so, why is the district paying this money if the Virtual Academy program is so successful. She feels the community and the taxpayers deserve a response to her question.
Tom Holden	Sheffield	Mr. Tom Holden explained he has had multiple conversations with individuals throughout Sheffield and they are trying to grow their community. Closing the high school would be a huge set back for their plans says Mr. Holden. Currently, there is a group of people working together to try to buy the houses that have been neglected and to fix them up for low-income families to move into. Sheffield has been looking to Kane to see how they are bringing people and businesses to their community. Mr. Holden believes keeping the four high schools open and working together as a county will help it grow. He mentioned as a coach, his athletes do not take testing seriously because it does not affect their education but rather provides a grade for the teachers. He feels the test scores may not be accurate due to the lack of effort put in by the students.
Kelly Sullivan	Youngsville	Ms. Kelly Sullivan mentioned her son takes math tests online and she does not see his scores unless she logs into the system to look at them. She explained without the teacher sending home paper homework, she would be unaware of what is going on. She feels computers are great but when they don't provide things such as test scores, it is frustrating as a parent helping with homework. Ms. Sullivan also wanted to clarify the proposal of moving boundary lines did not mean the community wanted to put equal amounts of students in each school. She explained it was presented to have students go to the closest school to their homes. Ms. Sullivan expressed she would like to have questions answered by the board during committee meetings. She understands the budget is a large topic right now and would like to see the board halt the process of the Master Facilities

Plan and focus on creating a budget that will give the students the best education in the next year. She suggested revisiting the Master Facilities Plan in the next year.
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8.2 Executive Session

There was an executive session to discuss personnel issues following the meeting.

8.3 Adjournment

<u>MOTION:</u> It was moved by Joseph Colosimo and seconded by Mary Passinger that the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Taylor M. Trisket, Assistant Board Secretary