

WARREN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, JULY 17, 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 6:03 p.m. via Zoom meeting.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Mangione led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.3 Roll Call

Present:

Mr. Jeffery Dougherty
Mr. Kevin Lindvay
Mr. Paul Mangione

Mrs. Mary Passinger
Mrs. Donna Zariczny

Absent:

Mr. Cody Brown
Mr. Joseph Colosimo

Mrs. Marcy Morgan
Mr. Arthur Stewart

Others Present:

Mrs. Amy Stewart, Superintendent; Mr. Gary Weber, Director of Administrative Support Services; Dr. Patricia Mead, Director of Pupil Services; Mr. James Grosch, Director of Business Services; Mr. Eric Mineweaser, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment; Mrs. Lynn Shultz, Supervisor of Elementary Education; Mrs. Ruth Huck, Board Secretary; Mrs. Taylor Trisket, Assistant Board Secretary; Mr. Rick Gignac, Supervisor of District-wide Athletics & Co-Curricular Activities; Mr. Josh Cotton, *Times Observer*; Mr. Brian Hagberg, *Your Daily Local*; and approximately 10 members of the public in attendance.

1.4 Reading of the Mission Statement - Mr. Kevin Lindvay

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. Donna Zariczny

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

- Promote public education as the keystone of our commonwealth;
- Engage the community by seeking input, building support networks, and generating action;
- Champion public education by engaging local, state, and federal officials.

1.6 Public Comment

There was no public comment.

1.7 Agenda Adoption

Agenda Adoption
Approved
5-0-0

MOTION: That the Board of School Directors adopts the agenda dated July 17, 2023.

Motion by Jeffery Dougherty, second by Mary Passinger.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Mary Passinger, Donna Zariczny

1.8 Approval of Minutes - June 12, 2023

June 12, 2023,
Minutes
Approved
5-0-0

MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the regular meeting minutes dated June 12, 2023, as presented.

Motion by Mary Passinger, second by Jeffery Dougherty.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Mary Passinger, Donna Zariczny

1.9 Approval of Special Meeting Minutes - June 26, 2023

June 26, 2023,
Special Meeting
Minutes
Approved
5-0-0

MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the special meeting minutes dated June 26, 2023, as presented.

Motion by Mary Passinger, second by Kevin Lindvay.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Mary Passinger, Donna Zariczny

1.10 Financial Reports

Financial Reports
Approved
5-0-0

MOTION: 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.

Motion by Mary Passinger, second by Jeffery Dougherty.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Mary Passinger, Donna Zariczny

1.11 Hearing Officer Report

Hearing Officer
Report
Approved
5-0-0

MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the Hearing Officer Reports for Case L, Case O, and Case Q, as presented.

Motion by Mary Passinger, second by Kevin Lindvay.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Mary Passinger, Donna Zariczny

2. President's Statement

2.1 Reports & Information

1. IU5 - Mr. Paul Mangione

Mr. Mangione reported the IU Board had its mini-convention and four new members joined the IU Board. The IU minutes are posted monthly, and Brad Whitman includes in his report what is happening at the state level regarding legislation.

2. PSBA Liaison - Mrs. Marcy Morgan

There was no report.

3. Career Center Advisory - Mrs. Donna Zariczny

There was no report.

2.2 Important Dates

BOARD/COMMITTEE MEETING DATES				
1.	July 31, 2023	6:00 p.m.	Finance Committee Personnel/ Athletics & Co-Curricular Activities Committee Curriculum, Instruction, & Technology Committee Physical Plant & Facilities Committee	Zoom Meeting Central Office
2.	July 31, 2023	Following Committees	Special Meeting	Zoom Meeting Central Office
3.	August 14 2023	6:00 p.m.	Board Meeting	Zoom Meeting Central Office

2.3 Announcements

2.4 Other

3. Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations

3.1 General Comments - Mrs. Amy Stewart

- Mrs. Stewart reported on current staffing – There are 29 support staff open positions of those six are ESSR and most likely will not be filled; there are 16 teaching positions and one administrative position open. She will email the information to the Board members. There are second interviews scheduled for Wednesday.

- At Beaty-Warren Middle School, Jen Hobbs is settling in as the new principal. They have been working on staffing and schedules. Things are looking optimistic. At
- Warren Area High School, Josh Vincent reported that he and Carrie Warner are working on schedules for Sheffield students, and they have been in touch with students making sure they get the core and honors classes needed. He is working on the master schedule to provide as many opportunities as possible and also that Sheffield students can have as many classes with Sheffield teachers as possible. He is adding WAHS students with the intention of minimizing the number of preps for teachers. Things look encouraging as he is getting things into place.

3.2 Committee Reports

3.3 Other

4. New Business - Consent Agenda

4.1 GRANT: 2023-24 Carl D. Perkins Secondary Local Plan Grant

GRANT: 2023-24
Carl D. Perkins
Secondary Local
Plan Grant
5-0-0

MOTION: That the Board of School Directors instructs the administration to submit a Perkins Secondary Local Plan Grant application to support academic, career, and technical programming at the Warren County Career Center in the 2023-24 school year.

Motion by Mary Passinger, second by Jeffery Dougherty.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Mary Passinger, Donna Zariczny

5. Items Removed for Separate Action

6. Future Business for Committee Review

There was no future business for committee review.

7. Other

7.0 Approve Items Under One Motion

Approve Items
Under One Motion
Approved
5-0-0

MOTION: It was moved by Kevin Lindvay and seconded by Jeffery Dougherty that the Board of School Directors approves items 7.1 through 7.12 with the exception of item 7.3.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Mary Passinger, Donna Zariczny

7.1 Policy Number 7261, titled - Employee's Good Faith Reporting of Wrongdoing or Waste in the District (Whistleblower Policy) - Second Reading

Policy Number
7261, titled -
Employee's Good
Faith Reporting of
Wrongdoing or
Waste in the District
(Whistleblower
Policy) - Second
Reading
Approved
5-0-0

MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves on second reading Policy Number 7261, titled, Employee's Good Faith Reporting of Wrongdoing or Waste in the District (Whistleblower Policy), as presented.

Motion by Kevin Lindvay, second by Jeffery Dougherty.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Mary Passinger, Donna Zariczny

7.2 Repository Sales

MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the Repository Sales for Tax Parcel #WN-834-197200-000 and #WN-487-393000-014, as presented.

Motion by Kevin Lindvay, second by Jeffery Dougherty.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Mary Passinger, Donna Zariczny

Repository
Sales
Approved
5-0-0

7.3 Act 93 - Memorandum of Agreement

MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the Act 93 Memorandum of Agreement, as presented.

MOTION TO TABLE: It was moved by Donna Zariczny and seconded by Kevin Lindvay that item 7.3 be tabled.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Mary Passinger, Donna Zariczny

Act 93 –
Memorandum of
Agreement
Tabled
5-0-0

7.4 2023-2024 Beacon Light Behavioral Health System Academy Agreement

MOTION: That the Board of Directors approves the 2023-2024 Beacon Light Behavioral Health System Academy Agreement, as presented.

Motion by Kevin Lindvay, second by Jeffery Dougherty.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Mary Passinger, Donna Zariczny

2023-2024
Beacon Light
Behavioral
Health System
Academy
Agreement
Approved
5-0-0

7.5 PowerSchool Unified Talent Subscription Staff Development

MOTION: That the Board Of School Directors approves PowerSchool Unified License and Subscription fees, as presented.

Motion by Kevin Lindvay, second by Jeffery Dougherty.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Mary Passinger, Donna Zariczny

PowerSchool
Unified Talent
Subscription
Staff
Development
Approved
5-0-0

7.6 Certificated Personnel Report - PACCA - Mr. Kevin Lindvay

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

Motion by Kevin Lindvay, second by Jeffery Dougherty.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Mary Passinger, Donna Zariczny

Certificated
Personnel Report
Approved
5-0-0

7.7 Support Personnel Report - PACCA - Mr. Kevin Lindvay

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

Motion by Kevin Lindvay, second by Jeffery Dougherty.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Support
Personnel Report
Approved
5-0-0

Yes: Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Mary Passinger, Donna Zariczny

7.8 Volunteer Report - PACCA - Mr. Kevin Lindvay

Volunteer Report
Approved
5-0-0

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

Motion by Kevin Lindvay, second by Jeffery Dougherty.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Mary Passinger, Donna Zariczny

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

Athletic
Supplemental
Contracts and
Resignations
Approved
5-0-0

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

Motion by Kevin Lindvay, second by Jeffery Dougherty.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Mary Passinger, Donna Zariczny

7.10 Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Grant, 2022-2023 Contract Amendment

Temporary
Assistance for Needy
Families (TANF)
Grant, 2022-2023
Contract Amendment
Approved
5-0-0

MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the contract amendment for the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families Grant for 2022-23, which provides an additional \$33,000.00 from the funder to continue and expand TANF activities through the grant period.

Motion by Kevin Lindvay, second by Jeffery Dougherty.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Mary Passinger, Donna Zariczny

7.11 Family Services of Warren County Contract for Drug & Alcohol Interventions Services

Family Services of
Warren County
Contract for Drug &
Alcohol
Interventions
Services
Approved
5-0-0

MOTION: That the Board of School Directors rescinds its approval of agenda item 7.7, passed at its regular meeting held on June 12, 2023, and approves the revised Family Services of Warren County Drug & Alcohol Intervention Services Agreement, as presented.

Motion by Kevin Lindvay, second by Jeffery Dougherty.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Mary Passinger, Donna Zariczny

7.12 Creative Learning Systems (SmartLab)

Creative Learning
Systems (SmartLab)
Approved
5-0-0

MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the purchase of SmartLab HQ curriculum kits and associated support for Youngsville Middle/High School, as specified on the attached Proposal, using committed funds in the amount of \$229,947, with said approval being contingent upon Solicitor approval of the contract terms.

Motion by Kevin Lindvay, second by Jeffery Dougherty.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Jeffery Dougherty, Kevin Lindvay, Paul Mangione, Mary Passinger, Donna Zariczny

8. Closing Activities

8.1 Public Comment

There was no public comment.

8.2 Executive Session

There was no executive session.

8.3 Adjournment

MOTION: It was moved by Mary Passinger and seconded by Kevin Lindvay that the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ruth A. Huck, Board Secretary