

**MINUTES
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
WARREN WOODS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
SEPTEMBER 26, 2022**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Green at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administrative Service Center, 12900 Frazho Road, Warren, MI.

Roll Call

Members present: Green, Walsh, Zannetti, Fitzpatrick, Hiller, and Garcia. Absent with notice: Schulte. Also present were Superintendent Stacey Denewith-Fici, Deputy Superintendent Neil Cassabon, Curriculum Director Kara Beal, Special Services Director Stacie Sward, and Executive Assistant Jackie Miracle.

Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda Approval

It was moved by Walsh supported by Fitzpatrick to approve the Agenda as presented. The motion carried 6 – 0.

Minutes

It was moved by Fitzpatrick supported by Zannetti to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 12, 2022 as presented. The motion carried 6 – 0.

Correspondence

None

Payment of the Bills

It was moved by Walsh, supported by Hiller to pay the following bill as presented:

2020 Bond Series I	\$	23,857.02
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The motion carried 6 – 0.

Old Business

None

New Business

Reports

Student Representatives

Superintendent Denewith-Fici introduced Student Representatives to the Board, Natalya and Isabella, who were here this evening with an update on activities at WWT.

Natalya began by stating that Homecoming is two weeks away with Spirit Week beginning October 3 and kicking off with Adam Sandler Day. Float building has started with this year's theme of Disney Villains.

Next, Isabella announced that the school store, Campus Corner, recently celebrated Opening Day and the Blue Crew made another appearance at last week's football game.

New Business

Reports (continued)

Student Achievement: 2022 M-STEP Report

Superintendent Denewith-Fici stated that Curriculum Director Kara Beal was here this evening to present the 2022 WWPS State Assessment Report to the Board.

Ms. Beal began by reviewing with the Board proficiency expectations from the MDE which include 60% proficiency in ELA and 47.55% in Math by 2026. She explained Local vs. State Assessments and explained how the NWEA is used to measure growth, monitor progress and evaluate programs while M-STEP measures achievement and proficiency.

Next, she presented a comparison of 2019, 2021 and 2022 by district, local and state benchmark assessment data noting that despite pandemic-related challenges Warren Woods has seen growth in more areas and we are slowly beginning to reclaim proficiency lost due to COVID.

In conclusion, Ms. Beal shared how the district and individual building response would lay the foundation for the District Improvement Plan by addressing the needs of the whole child: implementing systems to support behavior, curriculum alignment and instruction using best practices and parent partnerships.

Trustee Garcia commented that he was encouraged to see so many supports in place and was looking forward to see an increase in test scores.

Personnel Items

Superintendent Denewith-Fici presented the Personnel items.

Leaves:

As presented

It was moved by Walsh supported by Fitzpatrick that the Board approve the **Leaves** as presented. The motion carried 6 – 0.

New Hires:

April Daenzer – WWT Clerk – CTE Para Pro – WWT - Hire Date 09/26/22.

Abigail Evans – Kitchen Helper – WWT – Hire Date 09/19/22.

Christopher Ubelhor – Social Studies Teacher – Enterprise High School – Hire Date 9/26/22.

It was moved by Zannetti supported by Fitzpatrick that the Board approve the **New Hires** as presented. The motion carried 6 – 0.

Public Expression

Meghan Hohensee, AFT President, shared information regarding a Book Giveaway hosted by the AFT and open to the entire Macomb County Community taking place on October 8.

Treasurer Zannetti asked for an update on the Middle School serving line status. Deputy Superintendent Cassabon replied it is nearing completion. The walls and duct work are in and

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Public Expression (continued)

the flooring is expected to be installed soon. As long as inspection can be done in a timely manner, he is hoping for completion within two weeks.

Negotiations (Anticipated Closed Session)

It was moved by Fitzpatrick, supported by Walsh to move to Closed Session for the purpose of Negotiations at 6:25 PM. **ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes:** Walsh, Zannetti, Fitzpatrick, Hiller, Garcia and Green. **Nays:** 0. The motion carried 6 – 0.

The Board moved to Closed Session at 6:25 PM.

The Board returned from Closed Session at 6:45 PM.

Adjournment

It was moved by Hiller supported by Walsh to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 PM. The motion carried 6 – 0.

Respectfully submitted,

Kay F. Walsh