

**MINUTES  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
WARREN WOODS PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
AUGUST 5, 2024**

**Appoint Acting Secretary**

It was moved by Zannetti supported by Hiller to appoint Mike Fitzpatrick as Acting Secretary for the August 5, 2024 Regular Meeting. The motion carried 5 – 0.

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by President Schulte at 6:01 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administrative Service Center, 12900 Frazho Road, Warren, MI.

**Roll Call**

Members present: Zannetti, Fitzpatrick, Hiller, Garcia and Schulte. Absent with notice: Walsh and Nitz. Also present were Superintendent Stacey Denewith-Fici, Deputy Superintendent Neil Cassabon, Special Services Director Stacie Sward, WWT Principal Ian Fredlund, Facilities and Transportation Director Don Ball and Executive Assistant Jackie Miracle.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Agenda Approval**

It was moved by Hiller, supported by Garcia to approve the Agenda as amended with the following changes: **renumber Item 10. Personnel Items to Item 9., renumber Item 11. Public Expression to Item 10., renumber Item 12. Negotiations to Item 11. and renumber Item 13. Adjournment to Item 12.** The motion carried 5 – 0.

**Minutes**

It was moved by Fitzpatrick supported by Zannetti to approve the Minutes of the Regular/Organizational Meeting of July 15, 2024 as presented. The motion carried 4 – 0 – 1 with Schulte abstaining due to absence.

**Correspondence**

None

**Payment of the Bills**

It was moved by Fitzpatrick, supported by Zannetti to pay the following bills as presented:

General Fund	\$	1,099,447.97
Food Service Fund		29,126.39
Child Care Fund		6,248.31
Campus Corner		242.98

**Payment of the Bills** (continued)

Building & Site	\$	59,138.00
Bond 2020 Series I		168,948.92

The motion carried 5 – 0.

Trustee Garcia thanked Deputy Superintendent for clarifying some questions he submitted prior to the meeting. Next, Mr. Garcia inquired about the math curriculum professional development. Curriculum Director Kara Beal stated that 2024-25 professional development implementation will be both hybrid and in-person for staff.

**Old Business**

None.

**New Business**

**Reports**

**ESSER III/Continuity of Learning Plan**

Superintendent Denewith-Fici stated that tonight's report is being reviewed as required to remain in compliance with Federal regulations in order to continue to receive ESSER funding. She noted that there were no changes since the last review and stated that this should be the final presentation, as funding expires September 30, 2024.

**Change Order: WWT Roof**

Deputy Superintendent Cassabon presented the recommended change order and stated the roof work at WWT is moving along and almost complete. He noted the discovery of a crack in an existing roof vent which was repaired while it was exposed. In addition, the per linear foot fixed priced was adjusted to reflect the actual number of additional linear feet needed, and finally, a roof hatch which was damaged prior to the start of the project was repaired.

It was moved by Fitzpatrick supported by Hiller to approve the **Change Order: WWT Roof** as presented. The motion carried 5 – 0.

Mr. Zannetti asked if there were anymore anticipated repairs to the roof and Mr. Cassabon replied it appears as though there is one more roof drain that will require repairs which will most likely result in a change order presented at the next Board meeting.

**Bid Award: Food Service Equipment**

Deputy Superintendent Cassabon presented the **Bid Award** for a new reach-in cooler and reach-in freezer for Briarwood Elementary and noted the purchase was allowed through the MDE spend-down plan.

It was moved by Zannetti supported by Hiller to approve the **Bid Award: Food Service Equipment** as presented. The motion carried 5 – 0.

Mr. Hiller asked if the equipment was in addition to, or a replacement, and Mr. Cassabon replied that they are considered replacements as they are larger units; however, they may keep an additional freezer on site if there is room.

**New Business** (continued)

**Purchase:** WWMS Math Curriculum Resource

Superintendent Denewith-Fici presented the recommendation for the purchase of new Middle School textbooks and resources to be awarded to Savvas Learning Company. It was moved by Garcia supported by Fitzpatrick to approve the **Purchase:** WWMS Math Curriculum Resource as presented. The motion carried 5 – 0.

Trustee Fitzpatrick asked when the new curriculum would be implemented and Ms. Beal replied it would be implemented at the start of this school year and noted the staff is excited and ready.

**Personnel Items**

**Leaves:**

As presented

It was moved by Fitzpatrick supported by Hiller to approve the **Leaves** as presented. The motion carried 5 – 0.

**New Hires:**

**Kara Blanton** – Special Education Paraprofessional – ECSE – date of hire 7/29/24.

**Connor Eaton** – SACC Assistant – ECC – date of hire 7/19/24.

**Alexander Kiger** – Afternoon Custodian – WWMS – date of hire 07/22/24.

**Madison Libstaff** – Cheer Coach – WWMS – date of hire 7/12/24.

**Sarah Nicevski** – Art Teacher – WWT – date of hire 4/16/24.

**Shannon Southerland** – Childcare Assistant – ECC – date of hire 07/19/24.

**Amanda Valpredo** – Kitchen Helper – WWMS – date of hire 06/18/24.

It was moved by Fitzpatrick supported by Hiller to approve the **New Hires** as presented. The motion carried 5 – 0.

**Public Expression**

Trustee Zannetti asked for an update on open teaching vacancies. Superintendent Denewith-Fici replied that as of today, there were two open positions.

**Negotiations** (Closed Session)

It was moved by Fitzpatrick supported by Zannetti that the Board move to Closed Session for discussion of Negotiations. **ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes:** Zannetti, Fitzpatrick, Hiller, Garcia and Schulte. **Nays:** None. The motion carried 5 – 0.

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***The Board moved to Closed Session at 6:13 PM.***

***The Board returned from Closed Session at 7:05 PM.***

**Adjournment**

It was moved by Zannetti supported by Fitzpatrick to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 PM.  
The motion carried 5 – 0.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Fitzpatrick  
Acting Secretary