

WARREN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS  
WARREN, MICHIGAN  
MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2021

*Prior to the meeting being called to order The Honorable Matthew P. Sabaugh administered the Oath of Office via WebEx to recently re-elected Board Members I. Susan Kattula and Carl Weckerle.*

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was held in the Cafeteria of Angus Elementary, 3180 Hein, Sterling Heights, Michigan, with electronic participation for the public due to Michigan Department of Health and Human Services restrictions and in accordance with all applicable COVID-19 safeguards and as permitted by the Open Meetings Act, as amended December 22, 2020.

**I. CALL TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT TROMBLEY**

The meeting was called to order by President Trombley at 7:52 p.m. Ms. Kattula was asked by President Trombley to step in as Acting-Secretary in the absence of Secretary, Ms. Papasian-Broadwell. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Weckerle followed by the reading of the District's Mission Statement.

Members Present: Berdy, Jozwik, Kattula, Trombley, Weckerle, White

Members Absent: Papasian-Broadwell

Others Present: Livernois, Bernia, Elenbaas, Lewis, Papak, Pitrone, and District Legal Counsels Gary Collins and Donald DeNault from O'Reilly Rancilio P.C.,

**II. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Ms. Kattula, supported by Ms. Berdy that the Board of Education accept the agenda of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of Wednesday, January 20, 2021

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried: 6-0

**III. STUDENT, STAFF AND ALUMNI AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

**A. SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER RECOGNITION MONTH**

Dr. Robert D. Livernois, Superintendent recognized the Warren Consolidated School Board members in honor of School Board Member Recognition Month and presented each member with a certificate from the Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB) along with various gifts of appreciation from the Warren Education Association, the Office of Curriculum and Instruction, and the Warren Consolidated School of Performing Arts.

**B. WCSPA MICHIGAN THESPIAN FESTIVAL AWARDS**

Chief Academic Officer, Mr. John Bernia recognized the 2020-21 Warren Consolidated Schools of Performing Arts (WCSPA) students for their achievements during the Michigan Thespian Festival held in December. Warren Consolidated School of Performing Arts students were offered over \$2,000,000.00 in scholarships to various colleges and universities as listed in Addendum No. 2.

**C. HEALTH OCCUPATIONS STUDENTS OF AMERICA REGIONAL COMPETITION**

Chief Academic Officer, Mr. John Bernia recognized the achievements of the Career Preparation Center students that participated in the Health Occupations Students of America Regional Competition on December 20, 2020 as listed in Addendum No. 3.

**D. GLEANERS FOOD DONATION**

Chief Financial Officer, Ms. Kari Elenbaas recognized the generous donation of 50,000 pounds of shelf sustainable food from Gleaners as listed in Addendum No. 4.

III. STUDENT, STAFF AND ALUMNI AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS (Cont'd.)E. MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - MICHIGAN 10 CENTS A MEAL GRANT

Chief Financial Officer, Ms. Kari Elenbaas proudly acknowledged that Warren Consolidated Schools was the recent recipient of the Michigan Department of Education - Michigan 10 Cents a Meal Grant in the amount of \$15,000 to purchase locally grown produce as listed in Addendum No. 5.

IV. PRESENTATIONSA. SECOND READING OF BOARD POLICY - 2266

Dr. Robert D. Livernois, Superintendent presented a second reading of the updates and revisions to Board Policy 2266 as previously presented to the Board of Education at the December 2, 2020 Regular Board of Education meeting.

B. EXTENDED COVID-19 LEARNING PLAN UPDATE

John Bernia, Chief Academic Officer, presented an update of the Extended Covid-19 Learning Plan Update as listed in Addendum No. 6.

C. RETURN TO IN-PERSON LEARNING UPDATE

Chief Human Resources Officer, Dr. Christine Lewis, presented the Return to In-Person Learning Update as listed in Addendum No. 7.

V. CORRESPONDENCE/AUDIENCE PARTICIPATIONA. Correspondence/Bid Openings

- There were three correspondences.
- There were no bids scheduled to be opened on or before January 20, 2021

B. Audience Participation

Mr. Robert Callender, President of the Warren Education Association, addressed the Board of Education via WebEx and thanked them for their service and commitment to the staff and students of Warren Consolidated Schools. In addition, Mr. Callender commented about the *Return to School Plan* and the safety concerns for our students and staff.

Four parents of Warren Consolidated Schools students addressed the Board of Education via WebEx regarding their concerns with the *Return to In-Person Instruction Plan* as well as the current virtual instruction option.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of the minutes from the Regular Board of Education Meetings of December 2, 2020.
2. Financial Report for November 2020
 

Accounts Payable for November 2020	\$6,919,833.99
Electronic Transactions for November 2020	\$6,279,730.29
3. Acceptance of the Resignation/Retirement notifications of the Warren Consolidated Schools employees as listed in Addendum No. 8.
4. Acceptance of Gleaners Food Donation as listed in Addendum No. 9.
5. Acceptance of Michigan Department of Education Michigan 10 Cents a Meal Grant as listed in Addendum No. 10.

A motion was made by Ms. Jozwik, supported by Ms. Berdy, that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the items on the Consent Agenda.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried: 6-0

VII. ACTION ITEMSA. RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING JANUARY 2021 AS SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER RECOGNITION MONTH

A motion was made by Ms. Jozwik, supported by Ms. Kattula, that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and adopt the resolution recognizing January 2021 as School Board Member Recognition Month as listed in Addendum No. 11.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried: 6-0

B. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE WARREN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 2266

A motion was made by Mr. Weckerle, supported by Ms. Berdy, that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the Warren Consolidated Schools Board of Education Policy 2266 as listed in Addendum No. 12.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried: 6-0

C. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE TECHNICAL CHANGE TO WARREN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS POLICIES – 1662, 3362, 4362, 5517

A motion was made by Ms. Berdy, supported by Mr. Weckerle, that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the technical changes to the Warren Consolidated Schools Board of Education Policies – 1662, 3362, 4362, 5517 as listed in Addendum No. 13.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried: 6-0

D. APPROVAL OF PURCHASE – AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS

A motion was made by Ms. Jozwik, supported by Mr. Weckerle, that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the purchase of 56 – Automated External Defibrillators, 8 training units, and supplies from Aventric Technologies, LLC as listed in Addendum No. 14.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried: 6-0

E. AWARD OF CONTRACT – BID PACKAGE #19 – PRINT SHOP RENOVATION

A motion was made by Mr. Weckerle, supported by Ms. Jozwik, that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and award contracts to the various vendors for Bid Package #19 – Print Shop Renovations as listed in Addendum No. 15.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried: 6-0

VIII. TABLED and/or POSTPONED ITEMS

There were no tabled and/or postponed items.

IX. QUESTIONS and/or COMMENTS

Dr. Livernois requested a moment of silence for Special Education Teacher Aide, Cheryl Fontyn, who had recently passed away.

Ms. Jozwik expressed her thanks for the many gifts and support shown to the Board of Education.

IX. QUESTIONS and/or COMMENTS (Cont'd.)

Ms. Kattula expressed how proud she was to be sworn in at tonight's meeting for her 4<sup>th</sup> term on the Warren Consolidated Schools Board of Education, and she is committed to doing her best for the WCS.

President Trombley expressed how appreciative she is to be working with such a great Board of Education. In addition, President Trombley stated we are all finding other ways to do what we do, and feels strongly that the plan that was approved this evening is the safest and best for our community.

X. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made Mr. Weckerle, supported by Ms. Jozwik, to adjourn the meeting at 9:26 p.m.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried: 6-0

Submitted by,



I. Susan Kattula  
Acting Secretary