

WARREN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS
WARREN, MICHIGAN
MINUTES OF THE
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2024

The Special Meeting of the Board of Education was held at the Warren Consolidated Schools Administration Building, 31300 Anita Drive, Warren, Michigan.

I. CALL TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT TROMBLEY

President Trombley called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

Members present: Berdy, Kattula (5:47p.m.), Johnson, Trombley, Weckerle, White

Members absent: None

Others present: Bernia, Pellerito, and District Legal Counsel Don DeNault from O'Reilly Rancilio P.C.

II. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Ms. Berdy, supported by Mr. Weckerle, that the Board of Education accept the agenda of the August 14, 2024 Special Meeting of the Board of Education.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried: 5-0

III. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

There was no audience participation.

IV. BOARD VACANCY

A. TO CONSIDER AN ATTORNEY CLIENT PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATION EXEMPT FROM DISCLOSURE

A motion was made by Mr. Johnson, supported by Mr. White, that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and move into Closed Session at 5:32 p.m. to consider an Attorney Client Privileged Communication Exempt from Disclosure.

Roll Call: Berdy, Johnson, Trombley, Weckerle, White

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried: 5-0

Kattula arrived at 5:47 p.m.

The Board returned to Open Session at 5:56 p.m.

B. BOARD CANDIDATE INTERVIEWS

The Board of Education held individual interviews with Mr. Jeremy Fisher, Ms. Lesley A. Gawel, Ms. Sarah Mistretta, Ms. Munni Rahman, and Ms. Carmela Rudd, all of whom submitted applications for the vacant Board of Education position.

Ms. Carmela Rudd was invited to interview first. Ms. Rudd expressed her interest in the position and her background, and answered questions from Board members. Ms. Rudd's interview was completed at 6:11 p.m.

Ms. Lesley Gawal interviewed second. Ms. Gawal expressed her interest in the position and her background, and answered questions from Board members. Ms. Gawal's interview was completed at 6:22 p.m.

Ms. Munni Rahman interviewed third. Ms. Rahman expressed her interest in the position and her background, and answered questions from Board members. Ms. Rahman's interview was completed at 6:32 p.m.

IV. BOARD VACANCY (Cont'd.)B. BOARD CANDIDATE INTERVIEWS (Cont'd.)

Ms. Sarah Mistretta interviewed fourth. Ms. Mistretta expressed her interest in the position and her background, and answered questions from Board members. Ms. Mistretta's interview was completed at 6:45p.m.

Mr. Jeremy Fischer interviewed fifth. Due to scheduling conflicts, Mr. Fischer's interview was conducted via phone. Mr. Fischer expressed his interest in the position and his background, and answered questions from Board members. Mr. Fischer's interview was completed at 7:02 p.m.

C. BOARD CANDIDATE VACANCY PROCESS

A motion was made by Mr. Weckerle, supported by Mr. White, for the Board of Education to close the interviews and move forward with the appointment process to fill the vacant position of the Warren Consolidated Schools Board of Education.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried: 6-0

D. BOARD CANDIDATE DISCUSSION

A motion was made by Mr. Weckerle, supported by Ms. Berdy, for the Board of Education to close the discussion and move forward with the appointment process to fill the vacant position of the Warren Consolidated Schools Board of Education.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried: 6-0

E. BOARD MEMBER APPOINTMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Weckerle, supported by Ms. Berdy, for the Board of Education to appoint Ms. Carmela Rudd to fill the vacant position on the Warren Consolidated Schools Board of Education effective August 15, 2024 with the term ending on December 31, 2026.

Roll Call: Berdy, Johnson, Kattula, Weckerle, White, and Trombley

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried: 6-0

V. SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION TRAINING

Superintendent, Dr. John C. Bernia, Jr., introduced District Legal Counsel, Mr. Gary Collins of O'Reilly Rancilio P.C., who presented one Superintendent Evaluation Training Requirements to the Board of Education.

VI. QUESTIONS and/or COMMENTS

There were no questions and/or comments.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Johnson, supported by Mr. Weckerle, to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 p.m.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion Carried: 6-0

Submitted by,



Leah A. Berdy
Secretary