



Warwick School District

Committee of the Whole

April 5, 2016

Board Room

7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Members Present: Michael Landis, Leslie Penkunas, Scott Shaub, Millard Eppig, Timothy Quinn, Debra Wenger, Nelson Peters, Robin Felty, Ben Sahd, Todd Rucci, April Hershey, Nate Wertsch, Abigael Weit

Guests: Laurie Knowles, Lori Zimmerman, Sergeant Nye, Wendy Hoyer, Jen Nieves

1. Quebec City Trip - Presentation

~ *Ms. René Campeau and Warwick High School Students*

Ms. Campeau and students shared a video of their experiences in Quebec. Students were appreciative of the experience, learning about the culture, immersing themselves in the language and seeing the world from a different perspective.

2. Safety Updates

~ *Dr. Robin Felty*

- **School Resource Officer (SRO)**

Dr. Felty and Sergeant Nye presented information relating to the proposal for a School Resource Officer for the 2016-2017 school year. This will be a partnership with the Lititz Borough Police Department. They presented on the SRO roles and responsibilities, SRO training, SRO funding structure, and planning for the future.

- **Panic Buttons**

Dr. Felty presented information about the panic buttons that will be installed in all of the schools' office areas and the district office in Warwick School District. The installation of panic buttons was determined based on ongoing discussions with our district safety committee and the police.

3. Budget Update

~ *Mr. Nathan Wertsch*

Mr. Wertsch provided an update about the upcoming 2016-2017 budget, including updates about the status of the state budget and its impact on the district.

4. Other Relevant Items

The committee adjourned at 7:45 p.m.
Respectfully Submitted,

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Lisa Bonfield



Warwick School District

Building and Property Committee

April 11, 2016

District Office - Conference Room A

6:00 p.m.

Minutes

- Members Present: Nate Wertsch, Tom Becker, Dr. April Hershey, Dr. Michael Smith, Ed Gooch Jr., Carl Kline, Millard Eppig, Robert Marshall, Matt Knouse
- Members Not Present: Scott Shaub, Bruce Schreiter
- Others Present: None
- Visitors Present: None

1. Welcome and Public Comment
2. Landscaping Options

Due to the size of our school district, it requires a lot of time for our maintenance department to maintain the flowerbeds across the district. The committee discussed various options including stones, mulch, rubber, or paving. At Lititz Elementary, they put down weed block and stone dust/fine rocks. Zoysia was also discussed as an alternative to lirioppe. The committee will continue to look at low cost and low maintenance options while balancing aesthetics and cost.

Stone was discussed as an option, but safety issues were mentioned such as throwing and kicking of rocks.

3. Bonfield Roof Update

Due to snow blowing under the roof, Bonfield had some damage to ceiling tiles. The district has replaced the ceiling tile from the snowstorm and blowing snow. It will cost approximately \$2,000 to caulk across all metal parts, which should solve the problem.

4. Non-repetitive Project Updates

The committee reviewed the 2016-2017 District Wide Non-Repetitive Budget Requests.

Mr. Wertsch shared that the district is working closely with our bus companies to install cameras and GPS systems for the 2016-2017 school year.

The committee also reviewed the 2015-2016 District Wide Non-Repetitive projects.

5. Other Relevant Items

The high school tennis courts were discussed and the committee will continue to monitor the cracks that are forming on these courts.

6. Board Recommendations Recap

There are No recommendations from the committee at this time.

Respectfully submitted by Michael M. Smith

4/13/16

Warwick School District

Education Committee



April 11, 2016

Board Room

6:00 p.m.

Attendance: Ms. Melanie Calender, Dr. Robin Felty, Ms. Deb Wenger, Ms. Leslie Penkunas, Lisa Miller, Ms. Lorie Sedlmyer, Ms. Jill Lutz, Ms. Maria Navea Mitchell, Dr. Jennifer Shettel
Absent: Ms. Lisa Gleason, Ms. Sarah Bromirski, Miss Abigael Weit, Ms. Jean Johns

Welcome – *Mrs. Deb Wenger*

Comments on agenda items

Student Representative Report – *Ms. Abigael Weit*

- **Kissel Hill**

Kissel Hill has opened April with a strong focus on the Arts. The student body held its Fine Arts Day which included experiences such as: Irish dancing, stained glass window creation, pottery throwing, museum curation, guitar, drum, and jewelry making. Additionally, Kissel Hill wishes to thank the community for attending two showings of their musical, Shrek Jr. Finally, as they approach PSSAs their students are reminded these assessments are not to cause anxiety, but rather provide an opportunity to showcase their talents. As they embark upon the next few weeks, they approach this opportunity as they do all other aspects of their academic journey...with integrity, perseverance, and a desire to grow.

- **Bonfield Elementary**

March 2 – The Brush, Brush Smile program was presented to all students in grades K-2.

March 3- All Pro Dad's breakfast was held.

March 7 - Kindergarten through grade two students were treated to a preview of Disney's The Little Mermaid performed by the Warwick High School students. The students and staff gave rave reviews of the show!

March 21 – April 1- Art Goes to School came to Bonfield. The students enjoyed learning about the various paintings and the artists who created them.

April 4 and 5 - Bonfield held parent/teacher conferences for the tier 2 and 3 students. Approximately 31 conferences were held.

April 6 - Thanks to a generous donation from Ephrata National Bank to The S.P.A.R.K.S Foundation, students at Bonfield were treated to a day of hands-on science presented by Science Explorers, Inc. The day kicked off with a 50-minute "Let's Get Energized!" assembly where students were introduced to the topic of energy in a way they've never seen before. The students learned the secret of the 'golden lever', watched as energy was transferred and then helped to make things fly with a giant slingshot, saw a floating hovercraft in action, and were part of a human extension cord to make a light glow! After the assembly, each of the 4th grade classrooms participated in a 50-minute program of science hypotheses and experiments. Students enjoyed dressing as real scientists, wearing lab coats and safety goggles as they saw the surprising results of endothermic and exothermic reactions.

April 7 - Another successful All Pro Dad's breakfast was held.

- **John Beck Elementary**

5th and 6th grade students participated in the school musical – The Emperor's New Clothes Science Explorers presented to their students in grades 3-5 on the 6 types of Energy. This program brought science to life, was engaging and educational.

Their 6th graders learned all about science with regards to STEM related careers, what those jobs entail, the training needed, and how they benefit from the contributions these individuals make. Students worked in small groups and were provided with the opportunity to ask questions and tap

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into the expertise of the presenters.

John Beck's Student Council traveled to Luther Acres where they participated in various activities with the residents as a Community Service project.

John Beck students participated in Jump Rope for Heart. Their families raised over \$13,000 for this worthwhile cause, while promoting healthy lifestyles!

Their 6th grade students collected over 100 pairs of shoes for the Soles 4 Souls organization. This community service project was inspired by a true story, A Long Walk to Water, by Linda Sue Park.

- **Middle School**

Warwick Middle started PSSA testing on Monday, April 11 and will be conducting 4 tests this week in English Language Arts. On April 18 they will begin math testing for the PSSA and on Monday April 25 they will begin the science portion of the PSSA. They have their annual Orchestra Concert on Sunday, April 24 at 3pm at the high school performing arts center. Also, they have our annual Chorus and Jazz band concert on Tuesday, May 3 at 7:30pm.

- **High School**

The high school has a lip-dub taping this Friday, prom at the Country Barn on May 21st, and Thon in May as well.

Full Day Kindergarten for 2016-2017 – *Mrs. Melanie Calender*

The committee offered agreement for this be placed onto the Board agenda for voting on April 19.

Non-weighted Class Exemption Proposal – *Mr. Steve Szobocsan*

- Allows a student to take electives without “hurting” grade point average
- Application shared with committee
- This process would require counselor, parent and LEA permission
- May not be withdrawn after first seven days of the course
- There are currently four school districts in the area with a similar policy
- There is a three year phase in process

Science Credit for High School *Anatomy & Physiology* Course – *Mr. Steve Szobocsan*

- Currently does not count as a science elective credit
- Curriculum content is based on science standards
- High school administration believes that this course should be counted as a science elective credit

Grades 7-12 Gifted Education Program Presentation – *Ms. Carolyn Hoy & Mr. Michael Smith*

Curriculum based on Chapter 16 and NAGC Standards

Use the Autonomous Learner Model

- Middle School Gifted Course
 - Self-Exploration
 - Social Skills
 - PechaKucha Presentations
 - What is My Cause?
 - Self-selected Independent Projects

Uses Metacognitive Blogging

Collaborative Projects – Future City

- High School Gifted Services
 - Enrichment Model shared.
 - Student can elect two courses for .5 credit each
 - Semester course contents and components provided

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Educational Programming for 2016-2017 – *Dr. Robin Felty*

- Dr. Felty provided information to the committee about educational programming for the 2016-2017 school year. She explained that the district is reviewing all available positions and identifying strategies for operating programs in the most fiscally responsible way. Given that the district is facing a 3.9 million deficit and experiencing a significant decline in student enrollment (approx. 500 students over the past several years), it is still charged with the responsibility to maximize current staffing while still focusing on the education of the whole child.

Other Items for Discussion?

Comments (time permitting)

Parent shared support for the full-day kindergarten program as her child is currently in the full-day program this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacie E. Bardell



Warwick School District

Finance and Legal Committee

April 5, 2016

Conference Room A

6:00 p.m.

AGENDA

Present: Mr. Nathan Wertsch, Dr. April Hershey, Mr. C. Edward Browne, Mr. Michael Landis, Mr. Jim Koelsch, Mr. Nelson Peters, Mr. Brian Black, Dr. Tim Quinn, Mr. Kevin Martzall, Mrs. Wendy Hoyer, Mr. Fred Zeiset, Mrs. Jenni Nieves, Derrick Frank, Miss Jennifer Murphy

Absent: Mr. Russel Dicks, Mr. Flip Steinour, Mr. Philip Shirk

1. Welcome and Public Comment – A public comment question did follow at the conclusion of the meeting regarding steps that the district is taking to reduce expenses in the district.
2. Bus Contracts and Security Camera/GPS Installation - Mr. Wertsch shared that the district is currently reviewing a renewal of the transportation contract with Schultz Transportation, as well as the installation of security cameras/GPS with both district transportation providers, Schultz and Groff. The Schultz contract would be extended to a 10 year contract (compared to an 8 year contract) in exchange for Schultz covering the cost for all security camera and GPS installation.

Recommendation – It is recommended that the Board approve the renewed bus contract with Schultz Transportation.

3. 2016-17 IU13 Budget Review – Mr. Wertsch reviewed the 2016-17 Lancaster-Lebanon IU 13 General Operation Budget Highlights related to Core Program of Services and Instructional Media Services.

Recommendation – It is recommended that the Board approve 2016-17 IU13 Budget Review.

4. 2016-17 Budget Updates – Mr. Wertsch shared the 2016-17 Budget Update review. The current 2015-16 budget was reviewed including revenue (local and state) and expenses (focused on increased healthcare cost trends) with a current deficit of \$2,892,729.00. Focusing on the 2016-17 budget, the key word is uncertainty due to revenue (local & state) and expense (unknown collective bargaining agreement salaries and benefits, PSERS Rate – *increase* of \$675K; Healthcare – *projected* \$1.3M *increase* & Debt Service – *projected* \$1.3 - \$1.8M *increase*). Currently, the projected 2016-17 Budget has a budgeted deficit of more than \$3.9M. Mr. Wertsch shared additional budget considerations including the district enrollment to staffing ratio over the past five school years at Warwick in comparison to other Lancaster County school districts. A proposed final budget will be presented for approval at the May 17 board meeting and will be made available for public review.

5. 2015-16 Budget Transfers – Mr. Wertsch reviewed the list of budget transfers for the 2015-16 school year.

Recommendation - It is recommended that the Board approve the 2015-16 Budget Transfers as presented on the attachment.

6. Other Relevant Items - None

7. Board Recommendations Recap

Recommendation – It is recommended that the Board approve the renewed bus contract with Schultz Transportation.

Recommendation – It is recommended that the Board approve 2016-17 IU13 Budget Review.

Recommendation - It is recommended that the Board approve the Budget Transfers as presented on the attachment.

Meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Miss Jennifer Y. Murphy

Warwick School District

Student Activities Committee



April 14, 2016

Board Room

6:00 p.m.

In attendance: Todd Rucci, Ryan Landis, Ben Sahd, Ryan Axe, Dave Emrhein, Lorrie Schonour, Jennifer McMullen, Abigail Weit, Marissa Tocci

1. Welcome – *Mr. Todd Rucci*

Comments on agenda items

2. Student Representative Report – *Miss Abigail Weit*

Elementary schools had fine art's day, Shrek Junior, PSSA's, Brush – Brush Smile, All-Pro Dads, Parent-Teacher conferences, Science Explorers, Emperor's New Clothes, Luther Acres Trip, Jump Rope for Heart, Soles for Souls

Middle School – PSSA testing, Orchestra Concert, Chorus and Jazz Band

High School – Lip-Dub, Prom, THON

3. Lititz Youth Soccer Club (LYSC) & Facility Use – *Committee Discussion with Mr. Bob Kelly*

Much dialogue occurred about field usage for the summer soccer tournament, Sunday playtime, and the background and future of payments made to the district. Historically, the LYSC donated \$5,000 yearly from summer tournament proceeds for a total commitment of \$50,000 over the span of several years. From the club's perspective, this donation was not for the use of the fields for the tournament, but rather for additional items needed to support the district's campus and athletic upgrades. The committee recognized that this agreement was made prior to the existing leadership team (2009). In past years the field usage fees were never charged to the club. If the district will now be charging for the use of the fields at a Class B rate, the club will need to budget for these costs. The \$5,000 contribution was not provided to the district after the 2014 or 2015 summer tournaments since not enough proceeds were earned to cover the donation. Mr. Kelly explained the arrangement and the financial loss that the club experienced last year. Mr. Kelly stated that the LYSC needs to use every available field for the tournament, and the district's enforcement of the 1:00 PM start time on Sundays made it challenging for the tournament to cover its costs. The committee reiterated that the 1:00 PM start time for Sundays is Board Policy and still non-negotiable. Mr. Kelly noted again that the 1:00 PM start time on Sunday for the field usage is a challenge with the number of teams involved in the tournament. He noted that the tournament is a showcase and the costs continue to rise. Mr. Kelly acknowledged that the Class B field fees are fair and cheaper than a lot of places. Mrs. Kramer explained the cost structure and classification of groups for facility use. The discussion continued and Mr. Kelly shared additional logistics about the tournament. The topic of the prior unpaid \$5,000 annual donations was discussed again and Mr. Kelly acknowledged that a communication error occurred by not informing the district that the \$5,000 could not be paid (due to loss of funds). The committee talked about eliminating the commitment of the \$5,000 donation since it is unrelated to the summer tournament and the use of district fields. It was decided that the LYSC would pay Class B fees for their use of the facility for the summer soccer tournament effective this upcoming summer (2016). Mr. Kelly continued to share concerns about the 1:00 PM Sunday start time, but noted that he would talk to the LYSC board about the field fees being added for 2016 and brainstorm additional ideas/solutions for how to structure the games to make the summer tournament more profitable without the use of district fields on Sunday morning.

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4. End-of-Year Activities – *Dr. Ryan Axe*

The following activities are specific to the high school:

Tuesday, April 19th:	NHS Induction	WHS Auditorium, 7:00 PM
Monday, April 25th:	THON Assembly	End of day assembly schedule
Friday, April 29th:	mini-THON	WHS Gym
Monday, May 16th:	LA Keystones	Two-hour delay schedule
Tuesday, May 17th:	LA Keystones	Two-hour delay schedule
Wednesday, May 18th:	Alg Keystones	Two-hour delay schedule
Thursday, May 19th:	Alg Keystones	Two-hour delay schedule
Friday, May 20th:	Prom Promise	End of day assembly schedule
Saturday, May 21st:	Prom	Country Barn
Monday, May 23rd:	Bio Keystones	Two-hour delay schedule
Tuesday, May 24th:	Bio Keystones	Two-hour delay schedule
Wednesday, June 1st:	Senior Awards	WHS Auditorium @ 6:30 PM
June 6-10	Finals	Schedule/Format pending
Friday, June 10th:	Graduation Prac.	WHS Auditorium 8:00 AM - ?
Friday, June 10th:	Baccalaureate	WHS Auditorium @ 6:30 PM
Monday, June 13th:	Graduation Prac	Calvary Church ?- ?
Monday, June 13th:	GRADUATION!!!	Calvary Church @ 6:30 PM

5. Sunday Use Requests – *Dr. Ryan Axe*

- a. The Lancaster Evangelical Free Church to use the MS and HS parking lot/grounds for the Sunday in the Park event on Sunday, June 5, 2016 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
- b. The Post 56 American Legion Baseball to use the Varsity Baseball Field 13 for the Lititz Legion Baseball Games on Sunday, June 5, 2016 from 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

6. Out-of-State/Overnight Trip Requests – *Dr. Ryan Axe*

- a. HS students and staff to Washington, D.C. on May 18, 2016. Students will visit various museums/educational sites. This trip enhances the curriculum for several HS social studies courses.

7. Other Items for Discussion?

Mr. Rucci explained the Warwick Regional Recreation Commission (WRRC) program in the community and asked if it was worthwhile to share with the group. It was decided that the group would receive information about this partnership via the May agenda, relative to a discussion about overall community partnerships for athletics.

Mr. Rucci thanked the committee for their time.

8. Comments (time permitting)

Respectfully Submitted, Dr. Ryan Axe

Next Meeting: May 12, 2016