



# Warwick School District

## Committee of the Whole

February 2, 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, Mark Leidich, Lori Zimmerman, Wendy Hoyer, Fred Zeiset, Michelle Harris, Stella Newman, Mike Newman, Akash Banerjee, Bob Banerjee, Mou Banerjee, Shohini Banerjee, Lynn Stover, Catherine Stover, Henry Stover, Will Stover

#### **1. Cocalico Oratory Invitational - Presentation**

*Mrs. Michelle Harris and Warwick Middle School Students*

Our Warwick Middle School students were invited to participate in an Oratory Invitational. Students may present a speech that they have written themselves or they can present a speech already given. These speeches must be memorized and are scored using a rubric. Four students presented their speeches in preparation for this invitational and did a superb job!

#### **2. Naloxone Update**

At the middle school and high school, our school nurses have taken a lead role in providing training of our staff in the use Naloxone. School nurses would administer the Naloxone. Guidelines have been completed and shared with appropriate staff.

#### **3. Other Relevant Items**

The committee adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Bonfield



**Warwick School District**  
**Building and Property Committee**

**February 8, 2016**

**Conference Room A**

**6:00 p.m.**

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***MINUTES***

**No meeting was held.**

**Warwick School District  
Education Committee**



February 8, 2016

Board Room

6:00 p.m.

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***MINUTES***

**No meeting was held.**

Next Meeting: March 14, 2016



# Warwick School District

## Finance and Legal Committee

February 2, 2016

Conference Room A

6:00 p.m.

### *Minutes*

Present: Mr. Nathan Wertsch, Dr. April Hershey, Mr. C. Edward Browne, Mr. Michael Landis, Mr. Jim Koelsch, Mr. Flip Steinour, Mr. Nelson Peters, Mr. Philip Shirk, Mr. Kevin Martzall, Mrs. Wendy Hoyer, Mr. Fred Zeiset, Mr. Mark Leidich, Mr. Ken Phillips, Miss Jennifer Murphy

Absent: Mr. Brian Black, Mr. Russel Dicks

1. Welcome and Public Comment - None
2. Debt Review – Ken Phillips, RBC Capital Markets - Mr. Ken Phillips reviewed the Debt Profile & Refinancing Review presentation. He focused on the 2009 Bonds with a call date of 2/1/18. Mr. Phillips also explained the refunding differences between Non-Bank Qualified and Bank Qualified. Mr. Phillips led a discussion about the pros/cons of each option and supported the committee as they considered next steps related to bond refunding.

**Recommendation** – It is recommended that the Board approve the future refunding of the 2009 Bonds.

3. 2015-16 Budget and Mid-Year Updates – Mr. Wertsch shared that the 2014-15 year end financials were flat. The 2015-16 budget included significant rightsizing to eliminate much of the budget padding. Focusing on healthcare, Q1 was 38.2% over prior year (+525K expense). While state funding is still up the in the air, Mr. Wertsch reviewed the current fund balance commitments including projected operating deficits, pension rate stabilization, and capital project financing.
4. 2016-17 Budget Updates – Mr. Wertsch reviewed that the 2016-17 opt out resolution passed with a 2.9% cap (+1.2M in local-based revenue). Mr. Wertsch reviewed the local taxable properties and the increase value from last year to this year. For 2016-17 budget, the current PSERS rate projection is at 30.03% (up from 25.84% or +700K expense). Finally, Mr. Wertsch shared 2016-17 Definite Budget Changes (Net Debt Service Increase/Admin. & Site Budget Rightsizing) and Potential Budget Considerations (Warwick Ware & Potential Bond refinancing). Mr. Wertsch answered additional questions related to the increase in healthcare costs.
5. 2015-16 Adult Lunch Price Increase to \$4.10 – Mr. Wertsch shared the need to increase adult lunch prices due to the cost for adult lunch prices having to be based off of the highest food cost item. This will put us in compliance with federal regulations. This

has no impact to student lunch costs.

**Recommendation** - It is recommended that the Board approve the increase in adult lunch prices to \$4.10.

6. Obsolete Equipment - Mr. Wertsch reviewed the list of obsolete equipment.

**Recommendation** - It is recommended that the Board approve the Obsolete Equipment as presented on the attachment.

7. 2015-16 Budget Transfers - Mr. Wertsch reviewed the list of budget transfers for the 2015-2016 school year.

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

8. Other Relevant Items - none

9. Board Recommendations Recap

**Recommendation** – It is recommended that the Board approve the future refunding of the 2009 Bonds.

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

**Recommendation** - It is recommended that the Board approve the Obsolete Equipment as presented on the attachment.

**Recommendation** - It is recommended that the Board approve the increase in adult lunch prices to \$4.10.

Meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Miss Jennifer Y. Murphy

# Warwick School District

## Student Activities Committee



February 11, 2016

Board Room

6:00 p.m.

**Attendees:** Todd Rucci, Ben Sahd, Jennifer McMullin, Marisa Tocci, Lorri Schonour, Abigail Weit, Ryan Landis, Robin Felty

**Guest:** Karen Miller, Lauren Sahd

1. Welcome – *Mr. Todd Rucci*

Comments on agenda items -- *No comments provided.*

2. Student Representative Report – *Miss Abigail Weit*

*Ms. Abby Weit provided a summary of events offered district wide. See her attached student notes.*

3. Improving Child Nutrition Integrity and Access Act of 2016 – *Mrs. Karen Miller*

*Mrs. Karen Miller provided an update on the new Improving Child Nutrition and Access Act of 2016. She offered information about the professional learning standards required for all school nutrition program employees, and a comparison between the Healthy Hunger Free Kids Act of 2010 and the Improving Child Nutrition Integrity and Access Act of 2016.*

4. Updates on Link Crew Activities – *Dr. Ryan Axe*

*Information about Cocoa & Cram sessions, as well as other activities, were shared with the group.*

5. Updates on Mini-thon – *Dr. Ryan Axe*

*Ms. Abby Weit provided information to the group at the upcoming Mini-Thon.*

6. ASAP/Prom Promise Event – *Dr. Ryan Axe*

*Mr. Todd Rucci provided information about the local ASAP organization and its role in supporting the Prom Promise event.*

7. Other Items for Discussion?

*Mr. Ryan Landis shared information about the recent Signing Day event for selected students. He discussed his idea for having an additional recognition event for all senior athletes as part of the scheduled end-of-year dessert social.*

Next Meeting: March 10, 2016

8. Comments (time permitting)

*Enjoy Fire and Ice events in Lititz this weekend!*

Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. Robin Felty (on behalf of Dr. Ryan Axe)

Next Meeting: March 10, 2016

## **February Report - Across the District**

### **High School-**

Fire and Ice Dance: Saturday, February 13th, 7:00 pm – 10:00 pm

A fun night for students during the long weekend! Get out and dance in the café featuring DJ LL Kool B and local favorites The Skiffs! Continuing Lititz's Fire and Ice theme there will be fireballs, snow cones, and lots of fun! Casual dress. Tickets pre-sale at lunch all next week for \$7.50 and \$10 at the door.

Dodge Ball Tournament: Sunday, February 14th, 1:00 pm - ?, WHS GYM

Teams can register in the WHS or WMS offices. The cost is \$30 per team (6 players) and the deadline is February 11th. The tournament is sponsored by Interact and the Leo Club.

District Wide Talent Show: Saturday, February 27th @ 7:00 PM in the WMS auditorium. Tickets are \$7.50 for presale and \$10 at the door. Proceeds benefit the Four Diamonds Fund. Information will be shared with students in all of our schools in the district.

Cocoa and Cram Sessions: The Link Crew hosted successful study sessions after school for 9th graders who wanted tutoring in math and science. They encourage ninth graders should stay tuned for future Link Crew study sessions!

WHS Musical: Disney's The Little Mermaid will be presented by the Warwick High School Music Department. Based on one of Hans Christian Andersen's most beloved stories, the show will run on March 11th and 12th @ 7:30 PM and on March 13th @ 2:00 PM in the Performing Arts Center. Tickets will go on sale this month. Check the website for more information.

### **John Beck -**

School-wide assessments were completed in January and they were pleased with the progress their students made throughout the first half of the year. Spirit week was a success! Students enjoyed a pep rally with the senior members of the girls and boys basketball teams, a foul shooting contest with the teachers, and Spirit Night at the Warwick vs. Hempfield basketball game. Hank the Health Hero presented at their January PTO meeting about healthy dental habits. Centers were then set up throughout the library for families to learn about appropriate brushing techniques, healthy foods, etc. Student wellness activities such as Kids Move and the John Beck Swim Party were well attended.

### **Warwick Middle School -**

They recently had 10 winners for the Scholastic Writing Contest. They had 4 gold winners, 4 silver winners, and 3 honorable mention winners (one of their students won two awards for separate pieces). WMS winners will be honored at the Scholastic Writing Contest Award Ceremony on Sunday, March 6 at Millersville University's Ware Center. Each year, the Alliance partners with more than 100 organizations across the country to bring the Awards to local communities. Teens in grades 7 through 12 apply in 29 categories of art and writing. Submissions are juried by luminaries in the visual and literary arts, some of whom are past award recipients. Panelists look for works that best exemplify originality, technical skill, and the emergence of a personal voice or vision.

On Tuesday, February 23, Warwick Middle School will hold a 7th grade assembly with Joseph Hirt, a holocaust survivor. They are excited to be able to provide this opportunity for our students.



The 2016 Future City competition took place at the Pennsylvania State Museum in Harrisburg on Saturday January 30, 2016. Warwick Middle School, the twice-defending regional champions, arrived with their city - Maracaibo. The Venezuela city features Catatumba, a constant lightning storm that ignites Maracaibo's nuclear fusion plant, that powers the city. Warwick's team won the competition to become "threepeat" Regional Champions. They have won four championships in the last five years and five total championships since the beginning of the Central PA Regional competition. The team will now return to Washington D.C. in mid-February to compete in the National competition.

### **Bonfield -**

Their social skills class went on a field trip to Luther Acres on January 5. They have been visiting Luther Acres on a regular basis to read to, and talk with, the residents. They held another very successful All Pro Dad's breakfast on January 7. Auditions were held and rehearsals have begun for the spring musical - The Lion King, Jr., which will be presented at Bonfield on April 22. Much of the month of January was devoted to assessment testing throughout the school. They are very proud of the efforts of our teachers and staff during this time. Their 5th and 6th grade chorus performed for the entire school during the day on February 8th, and again that evening for their families and friends. It was a lovely concert that was enjoyed by everyone.

### **Lititz Elementary -**

Lititz Elementary kicked off the month of February with the Chorus and Orff concert. Congratulations to all of the 5th and 6th grade students who participated! The month of February also kicks off their focus on Random Acts of Kindness and the Lititz Elementary staff presented a Family Fued assembly to introduce this topic tied in with the kick off of One Book, One School. The PTO is hosting a roller skating party and also sponsoring family fun night during the Lititz EI book fair! Ms. Murphy would like to say thanks to the building and grounds crews and our custodial staff for doing such a wonderful job keeping Lititz EI safe during the weather events!

### **Kissel Hill Elementary -**

Kissel Hill has opened the month of February focusing on compassion and friendship. Multiple collections were focused on bringing joy to children that endure long stays in the hospital. Their student council participated in a video game drive, and their spirit week focus centered on collecting pajamas.

In other news, their school kicked off their "One School, One Author" project. Every child in the school will be receiving a book by Cynthia Lord before being visited by this author. Finally, this month Ms. Grubb (5th Grade Teacher) started a computer coding club during recess.