



Warwick School District

Committee of the Whole

May 5, 2015

Board Room

7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Members Present: Darryl L. Miler, Michael Landis, Scott Shaub, Millard Eppig, Timothy Quinn, Debra Wenger, Nelson Peters, Robin Felty, Ben Sahd, Todd Rucci, April Hershey, Nate Wertsch

Guests: Laurie Knowles, Mark Leidich, Lori Zimmerman

1. Solicitor Presentations

The following solicitor candidates provided presentations to the School Board:

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| 7:00 – 7:20 | Fox Rothschild, LLP | Mark W. Fitzgerald |
| 7:25 – 7:45 | Sweet Stevens Katz Williams, LLP | John G. Audi |
| 7:50 – 8:10 | Hartman Underhill & Brubaker, LLC | Robert M. Frankhouser, Jr. |
| 8:15 – 8:35 | Kegel Kelin Almy & Lord, LLP | Jeffery D. Litts |

The board is comfortable with making a recommendation for Kegel Kelin Almy and Lord, LLP as the district solicitor.

2. Board Policy Review - No. 819 (new)

Board Policy- No. 819 Suicide Awareness, Prevention and Response was introduced. This policy is a recent mandate by PDE. This is an unfunded mandate and will require professional development.

3. Other Relevant Items

The committee adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Himes



Warwick School District

Building and Property Committee

May 11, 2015

Conference Room A

6:00 p.m.

Minutes

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

1. Welcome and Public Comment
2. Bonfield Renovation Update – Trane

Mr. Brian Miller, the project manager for the Bonfield Project, presented information regarding the Bonfield Project timeline. Trane continues to work after school hours and has made significant progress with prep work before the summer. Mr. Miller also shared information regarding the change in ceiling height. There continues to be project coordination meetings approximately every two weeks.

3. Campus Drive Speed Bump

Mr. Kevin Zook approached Mr. Becker about moving the speed bump on Campus Drive so that it is not directly in front of the Rec. Center entrance. Mr. Becker will reach out to Mr. Zook to see if they definitely want to move this speed bump.

4. ***Boys' Soccer Field Widening Request***

The Boy's Soccer Team has asked about the possibility to widen the main boy's soccer field. The District does not have any money budgeted for this field for this year or next year. The Boy's Soccer Team will discuss this option with their parent's organization. The work was roughly quoted at approximately \$2,000.

5. Other Relevant Items

None

6. Board Recommendations Recap

There are no recommendations at this time.

Respectfully submitted by Michael M. Smith

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Warwick School District

Education Committee



May11, 2015

Board Room

6:00 p.m.

Attendance: Deb Wenger, Dr. Felty, Lisa Miller, Nelson Peters, Abigael Weit, Priscilla Stoner, Lorie Sedlmyer, Stacie Bardell

1. Welcome – *Mrs. Deb Wenger*

Comments on agenda items

2. Student Representative Report – *Ms. Abigael Weit*

- **Bonfield** - On May 12th, the 5th grade as Watershed Day and the Elementary Orchestra Concert will be held at 7 pm. On the 13th, the Kindergarten classes will travel to the Eastland Alpaca Farm. The Brush, Brush Smile varnish program will be held in the morning that day as well. May 15th Bonfield will have their Track and Field Day for the 6th graders. The 18th of May 5th grade students will have a field trip to Philadelphia. The JRB Open House will be at 6:30 pm on May 19th. The elementary band concert will be held at 7 pm at the WHS on the 21st. The next day, the Bike Rodeo will be held. Lastly, fine arts day will be on the 28th of May.
- **Kissel Hill** - Students in grades 3rd through 6th completed their state standardized testing during the month of April successfully. The school has been focusing on the ideas “an opportunity to show growth” and confidence in oneself” throughout the testing. Students worked on engaging in tasks with their full attention and reflecting on personal growth made since the beginning of the year. The beginning of May brought four rounds of assessments for kindergartens that brought parents from all four schools to ensure the “just right learning” policy was for every student. Later in May, there will be one more round of Dibels Assessments, CDTs for grades 3-6, and the GRADE assessment for students in kindergarten through 3rd grade. Kissel Hill’s race for education will be held May 27th.
- **Middle School** - A volleyball tournament and a teacher dress down day enabled the council to donate \$1,080.00 to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Student Council also held a dance and dodgeball tournament to help raise money for the high school’s mini-thon program and ended up donating \$1,200.00 to that cause. At the end of April, to celebrate the end of PSSA testing, Student Council held three Spirit Days. Everyone had a lot of fun dressing up for Twin Day, Generation Day, and Sports Team Day. Student Council is gearing up for Team Face-off, a field-day event that will be held at the end of the year. Members of Student Council are busy making posters and distributing different colored bandanas to members of each grade level team. The 8th grade class will also be holding their first elections to choose Class Officers and Student Council members for their 9th grade year.
- **High School** - CTC graduation will be held on May 26th. Senior awards will be given on June 1st. Three graduation practices will be held in preparation for graduation on June 9th.

3. Grading & Assessment Guidelines-Phase II – *Dr. Robin Felty*

History

Committee started the process by reviewing Board Policies to ensure our grading and assessment practices were in compliance with these policies

- No. 102 Academic Standards

- No. 106 Guides to Planning Instruction

Non-negotiables were created

Core beliefs for grading practices were developed

Goals of Larger Committee

- Examine existing grading and assessment practices
- Research best practices in grading and assessment
- Make recommendations for best practices and establish guidelines for implementation
- Build frameworks of consistency that provide equitable learning environments for all students

Subcommittee Topics

- Collaboration & consistency with grading
- Criterion-referenced grading
- Formative & Summative assessments in grading
- Meaningful formative feedback
- Calculation of grades (regular education)
- Calculation of grades (subgroups)
- Homework/Retesting/Extra Credit

Developed Warwick's Philosophy for Grading

Review of Phase I Implementation

- Rollout during Back-to-School Meetings
- Feedback gathered
- FAQ created
- Planning/work sessions were provided throughout the year

Phase II Work

- Continued work sessions for 3 subcommittees.
- Development of Phase I and Phase II Grading and Assessment Guidelines handout
- Comprehensive Grading & Assessment Handbook Developed

Recommended components for academic behaviors

- Participation
- Work Ethic
- Preparation/Organization
- Interpersonal Skills
- Accommodations/Modification/Enrichment

Recommended Evaluation Scale

- Exceeds expectations
- Meets expectations
- Needs improvement

Elementary Level

- Recommended rubric to be included for the online report card for Academic Behavior Skills

Secondary Level

- Revision to existing comments section on report card
- Collection of Data to determine changes
- Development of themes for comments

Formative & Summative Assessments

- Application of Research Recommendation
- Summative Assessments (85%-100% of grade, depending on % of allotted to homework)
- 2 types of summative assessments
 - Unit-Ending Assessments – must count more than intra-unit
 - Intra-Unit Assessments
- Consistency by grade level, (not just school), common courses has been worked on throughout this year.

Grading & Assessment Handbook

- Table of Contents shared

4. Other Items for Discussion?

5. Comments (time permitting)

Board Members Leaving:

Ms. Keri Sapp – thank you for your service!

Board Member Renewing term:

Mrs. Lorie Sedlmyer – will rejoin us for her second term.

New Board Member in September:

Beth Koser-Swartz currently sits on the Student Wellness Committee, and will be appointed at the next Board Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacie E. Bardell



Warwick School District

Finance and Legal Committee

May 5, 2015

Conference Room A

6:00 p.m.

Minutes

Members Present: Darryl L. Miler, Michael Landis, Flip Steinour,
Rusty Dicks, April Hershey, Nate Wertsch

Absent: Brian Black, Jim Koelsch, Ed Browne, Phil Shirk

Guests: Jill Kramer, Karen Miller, Kevin Martzall, Nelson Peters,
Steve Szobocsan, Tim Quinn

- 1. Welcome and Public Comment**
- 2. Facilities Use Rates Proposal**

Mrs. Kramer explained that every three years we examine our fee structure. Classifications of facility users are included in Board Policy and reviewed as part of the process. A draft handout was provided for the Schedule of Fees, outlining current rates and the proposed changes. Classifications, a proposed schedule of fees, personnel rates, and equipment rentals were shared by Mrs. Kramer. Comparisons to similar districts were also examined. The different class groups were explained and examples were provided. Groups B, C, and D all require proof of insurance. Class B groups affect community groups. Mrs. Kramer also shared the proposed increases in rates and rationale as related to specific facilities, fields, etc.

- 3. 2015-16 Cafeteria Budget Presentation and Recommendation**

Mrs. Karen Miller presented information regarding several pricing options for the 2015/2016 school year. Typically when prices increase, participation decreases. The impact of this decrease in participation was discussed. Mrs. Miller discussed government regulations, operation expenses, personnel costs, potential expenses with regards to equipment and the impact on the Food Services Budget. Mrs. Miller recommended that the prices for breakfasts and lunches remain the same. A history of lunch prices and participation was also presented. The results from a Meal Price Survey comparing our lunch prices to other local districts was also shared.

4. 2015-16 Lancaster County Academy Budget

Mr. Wertsch shared that the district is planning on exiting the Lancaster County Academy Program for the 2016-2017 school year, which in the past has provided WSD ten slots in their program. Fewer and fewer students have utilized this program in the past several years, due to other options which are now available.

*The committee reviewed the proposed 2015-2016 and recommends approval.

5. 2015-16 General Fund Budget Updates

To date the State has still not provided school districts with information regarding the State Budget. Mr. Wertsch continues to monitor trending. Health care expenses continue to rise. The district will realize savings related to personnel going inot next year, as well as , anticipates increases in EIT revenue.

6. Other Relevant Items

7. Board Recommendations Recap

Facilities Use will be moving on to the Student Activities Committee.

Approval of 2015-16 Food Services Budget

Approval of 2015 – 2016 Lancaster County Academy Project

The committee adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Lisa Himes

Warwick School District

Student Activities Committee



May 14, 2015

Board Room

6:00 p.m.

Committee Attendance: Todd Rucci, Ryan Landis, Ben Sahd, Robin Felty, Ryan Axe, Denise Warner, Dave Emrhein, Lorrie Schonour, Marie Meeder, Abigail Weit, Frank McMullin

Guests: Jill Kramer, Karen Miller

1. Welcome – *Mr. Todd Rucci*

Comments on agenda items

2. Student Representative Report – *Abigail Weit*

Bonfield – concert, watershed day, farm visit, track and field, Philadelphia field trip, concert, bike rodeo

K.Hill – testing finished, learning policy, DIBELS, CDT's, Race for Education

MS – volleyball tourney - \$1080 for leukemia, spirit days, field day coming up on the 9th of June, elections for class officers

HS – CTC graduation and other graduation practices forthcoming

3. Update on Healthy Hunger Free Kids Act – *Mrs. Karen Miller*

Mrs. Miller presented a PPT about changes and updates for the cafeteria. The committee appreciates the cafeteria's efforts.

4. Cooperation agreements for Junior High Sports – *Mr. Ryan Landis*

Do we want to open this up to outside schools for junior high? The committee discussed how parents would feel, the competitive line for athletics, cutting students, opening the opportunity up for "non-cutting" sports

The committee recommended opening this up for the "non-cutting" middle school sports.

5. Senior Citizen Rates for events: we do not have a rate right now; most schools do as to league playoffs. Mr.

Landis recommended going to a rate for senior citizens equal to students. A suggestion was made for Warwick senior citizens to get in free. The committee also discussed allowing youth sports teams to attend free during the season. The committee approved reducing the rates for senior citizens.

6. Graduation Practices – *Mr. Ryan Axe*

May 30th, June 8th, June 9th

7. End-of-Year Events – *Mr. Ryan Axe*

CTC Graduation – 5/26, 6/1 Senior Awards, 6/3 Senior Athletic Awards, 6/8 Bacc, 6/9 Graduation

8. Rate Changes for Facility Use – *Dr. Robin Felty*

Jill Kramer shared rate changes with the committee. A handout was provided.

9. Overnight Field Trip Request – *Dr. Robin Felty*

- a. HS students and staff to the University of Pittsburgh from May 19, 2015 to May 20, 2015 to attend the 2015 State Envirothon. Approved
10. Sunday Use Requests – *Dr. Robin Felty*
- a. Warwick Travel Baseball Association to use varsity baseball field 13 on June 7, 2015 from 5:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Approved
 - b. Eric Badaracco to use the HS parking lot/grounds for Italy trip parking on July 19 & 25, 2015 from midnight to 11:59 p.m. (24 hour/day). Approved
 - c. Warwick Travel Baseball to use varsity baseball field 13 for Legion Baseball games on May 24, 2015, June 14, 2015 and June 21, 2015 from 1:00 – 7:00 p.m. Approved

11. Other Items for Discussion?

MiniThon is coming up this weekend

Denise and Frank are finished with their second terms – the committee is very grateful for their service!

No meeting in June, July or August.

12. Comments (time permitting)

Respectfully Submitted, Ryan Axe