

Warwick School District

Lititz, PA 17543

June 15, 2021

A meeting of the Warwick Board of School Directors of the Warwick School District convened in the District Board room on Tuesday, June 15, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was made available virtually as well.

Mr. Michael Landis, President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

The Board Secretary called the roll of the Board: Michael R. Landis, C. Edward Browne, Millard P. Eppig, Jr., Matt Knouse, Lisa Miller, Nelson L. Peters, Todd L. Rucci, Debra J. Wenger, were present. Leslie Penkunas was absent.

Others attending the meeting in person: Dr. April Hershey, Superintendent; Dr. Melanie Calender; Dr. Ryan Axe; Nathan Wertsch, Treasurer; Mark Leidich; Jackie Yanchocik; Janice Boyer, Board Secretary; Fred Griffiths; Amy Balsbaugh; Dr. Kristy Szobocsan; Kevin Martzall; Laura Knowles, Lititz Record Express; Chief John Schofield; Amanda Peiffer; Shelly Chmil; Briana Legerlotz; Jeanette Trefny; Ingrid Martin; Kelly Knouse; Joanne Robb; Courtney Lazar; Kenneth Chubb; Melissa Miller; and Kimberly Zimmerman.

Members of the public were able to observe this virtual meeting, and the list of attendees is below.

Note – these individuals signed in using the link provided for sign in and for comment.

Christina Smoker

Note – these individuals appeared as attendees in Zoom.

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Christina Lititz	jw	MHarris	

RECOGNITION OF CITIZENS

Comments were accepted electronically from citizens:

Ingrid Martin, 1301 Stony Lane, Lititz, asked questions about the Health and Safety Plan for the 2021/2022 school year. When would a plan be available for parents/guardians to view and to make public comment?

Dr. Hershey indicated that the updated Health and Safety Plan is currently being worked on. Guidance and mandates from the Department of Health, the CDC, and PDE will be used to create the Plan. The Plan will be ready for voting on by the Board in July (3rd Tuesday of the month) and posted for review six (6) days prior to the meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Eppig moved, Mr. Peters seconded, the motion to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed 8-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES ([Regular meeting](#) of May 18, 2021)

Mr. Eppig moved, Mrs. Wenger seconded, the motion to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting of May 18, 2021.

Motion passed 7-0 with 1 absention.

TREASURERS REPORT

Mr. Wertsch presented the Treasurer’s Report. A copy of the report is attached to these minutes. The Treasurer’s Report was accepted 8-0 by the Board.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

The following bills were presented for payment by Mr. Wertsch. A copy of the bills with wire transfer information is attached to these minutes.

General Fund	\$1,267,199.86
Wire Transfers	\$1,906,908.33
Construction Fund	None
Cafeteria Fund	\$155,399.19
Middle School Fund	\$897.50
High School Fund	\$1,492.23

Mr. Eppig moved, Mrs. Miller seconded, the motion to approve payment of the bills as presented.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Browne, Mr. Eppig, Mr. Knouse,
Mrs. Miller, Mr. Peters, Mr. Rucci, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mrs. Penkunas

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

1. PERSONNEL

A. Retirement

It was recommended that the Board approve the retirement of the following individual:

Non-Instructional

Linda Weit as a Building Services employee at Lititz Elementary School, effective September 8, 2021.

Mr. Eppig moved, Mr. Peters seconded, the motion to approve the retirement of the individual named above.

On voice vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Browne, Mr. Eppig, Mr. Knouse,
Mrs. Miller, Mr. Peters, Mr. Rucci, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mrs. Penkunas

B. Resignations

It was recommended that the Board approve the resignation of the following individuals:

Education Committee

Sarah Bromirski as a community representative of this committee, effective June 30, 2021.

Rebecca Muller as a community representative of this committee, effective June 30, 2021.

Melody Strayer as a community representative of this committee, effective June 30, 2021.

Student Activities Committee

Heather Heisey as a community representative of this committee, effective June 30, 2021.

Instructional - LTS

Teresa Ashby as a Long-Term Substitute (LTS) Gifted Teacher at John Beck Elementary and Lititz Elementary Schools, effective June 11, 2021.

Non-Instructional

Lisa Capolupo as a Student Support Assistant at John Beck Elementary School, effective June 9, 2021.

Sara Wolf as a Building Services employee at John Beck Elementary School, effective June 11, 2021.

Hollie DeFilippo as a Special Programs Assistant at Lititz Elementary School, effective June 10, 2021.

Extra-Duty/Extra Curricular

Kelly Lutz as Head Learning Support Teacher at Warwick High School and Warwick Middle School, effective at the end of the 2020/2021 school year.

Mr. Eppig moved, Mr. Rucci seconded, the motion to approve the resignation of the individuals named above.

On voice vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Browne, Mr. Eppig, Mr. Knouse,
Mrs. Miller, Mr. Peters, Mr. Rucci, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mrs. Penkunas

Mr. Rucci offered his thanks to those who served on committees for the district. The board is grateful for their time, input, and service to the students, the district, and the community through these committees.

C. Elections

It was recommended that the Board approve the election of the following individuals subject to all pre-employment requirements and clearance checks:

(from Supplemental Agenda)

Administration

Melissa Miller as an Assistant Principal at Warwick High School, at the annual salary of \$92,000.00, effective pending release by her current employer and pending receipt of the appropriate paperwork.

Instructional – LTS - Rehire

Noelle G. Henderson as a Long-Term Substitute (LTS) Mathematics Teacher (1st semester) at Warwick High School, at the annual salary of \$56,031.00, effective for the first semester of the 2021/2022 school year. Mrs. Henderson is replacing Holly Plumb who received an extension of her child rearing leave.

Non-Instructional

Connor T. DiLeo as a Data Technology Assistant at Warwick School District, 8.0 hours/day, at the annual salary of \$50,600.00, pending receipt of the appropriate paperwork. Mr. DiLeo is replacing Jason Simon who resigned.

Jenna Bradley as a Food & Nutrition Services Assistant, at Warwick Middle School, 3.0 hours/day, at the hourly rate of \$11.00, effective August 11, 2021, pending receipt of the appropriate paperwork. Ms. Bradley is replacing Karen Russum who resigned.

Michael Capogna as a Lead Building Services employee at John R. Bonfield Elementary School, 8.0 hours/day, at the hourly rate of \$15.75, effective June 29, 2021. Mr. Capogna is replacing Dennis Shelly who retired.

Extra-Duty/Extra Curricular

Joseph Codispoti as a Marching Band Assistant (50%) at Warwick High School, at the annual salary of \$1,694.00, effective July 1, 2021, pending receipt of the appropriate paperwork. Mr. Codispoti is replacing Jennifer Miller who resigned.

Ken Wolfe as a Landscaper at Warwick High School, at the hourly rate of \$13.25, effective June 16, 2021. This is a summer position. Officer Wolfe will continue as a Warwick School District Police Officer during the school year.

Volunteer Coaches

It was recommended that the Board approve the election of the individuals listed below as volunteer coaches, effective for the 2021/2022 school year, until a resignation is submitted or active status is changed by the district:

Lindsay Gabers Ben Hershey

Summer Custodial Work Crew

It was recommended that the Board approve the election of the following individuals to the Summer Custodial Work Crew for work to be performed between June 15, 2021 and August 20, 2021, 40 hours/week unless otherwise indicated:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rate per hour</u>
Kylie Bender	\$7.25
Chase Hartranft	\$7.25
Benjamin Schweigert	\$7.25

Mr. Rucci moved, Mr. Peters seconded, the motion to approve the election of the individuals named above.

On voice vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Browne, Mr. Knouse, Mrs. Miller,
Mr. Peters, Mr. Rucci, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: Mr. Eppig

Nays: None

Absent: Mrs. Penkunas

2. CHANGE OF STATUS REQUESTS

It was recommended that the Board approve the change of status requests for the following individuals:

Instructional

~~Julia Barley from a Kindergarten Teacher at Kissel Hill Elementary School, to a Grade 1 Teacher at Kissel Hill Elementary School, effective on the first day of the 2021/2022 school year. Ms. Barley is replacing Stacey Yunginger who received a transfer.~~

Dr. Calendar asked for the removal of the above item. Ms. Barley will remain in her current assignment for the 2021/2022 school year which was made possible due to a retirement.

Catherine Dommel from a Grade 5 Teacher at John R. Bonfield Elementary School, to a Grade 6 Teacher at John R. Bonfield Elementary School, effective on the first day of the 2021/2022 school year. This change of status is necessary due to school enrollment.

Nathan Eakin from a Grade 1 Teacher at Kissel Hill Elementary School, to a Grade 6 Teacher at Lititz Elementary School, effective on the first day of the 2021/2022 school year. Mr. Eakin is replacing Patricia Lapp who retired.

Ashley Landers from a Grade 4 Teacher at Lititz Elementary School, to a Grade 3 Teacher at John R. Bonfield Elementary School, effective on the first day of the 2021/2022 school year. This change of status is necessary due to school enrollment.

Katherine Mansey from a Grade 1 Teacher at John R. Bonfield Elementary School, to a Grade 1 Teacher at Kissel Hill Elementary School, effective on the first day of the 2021/2022 school year. This change of status is necessary due to school enrollment.

Mr. Eppig moved, Mr. Peters seconded, the motion to approve the change of status requests, as presented.

On voice vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Browne, Mr. Eppig, Mr. Knouse,
Mrs. Miller, Mr. Peters, Mr. Rucci, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mrs. Penkunas

3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUESTS

It was recommended that the Board approve the following leave of absence requests:

Instructional

Holly Plumb is requesting an extension to her previously approved Child Rearing Leave, to begin August 25, 2021, and to continue through the end of the first semester of the 2021/2022 school year. Mrs. Plumb is anticipating her return-to-work date as the first day of the second semester of the 2021/2022 school year, pending release by her doctor.

Non-Instructional

Mary Bortner is requesting an extension to her previously approved Family and Medical Leave of Absence (FMLA), to begin June 1, 2021, and to continue through June 22, 2021. Mrs. Bortner is anticipating her return-to-work date as June 23, 2021, pending release by her doctor.

Mr. Eppig moved, Mrs. Wenger seconded, the motion to approve the leave of absence requests, as presented.

On voice vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Browne, Mr. Eppig, Mr. Knouse,
Mrs. Miller, Mr. Peters, Mr. Rucci, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mrs. Penkunas

4. DELEGATE APPOINTMENT FOR PSBA DELEGATE ASSEMBLY

It was recommended that the Board appoint Millard Eppig as the voting delegate for the Delegate Assembly meeting on October 23, 2021, at PSBA Headquarters, located at 400 Bent Creek Blvd., Mechanicburg, or via Zoom.

Mr. Rucci moved, Mr. Peters seconded, the motion to approve the voting delegate appointment, as presented.

On voice vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Browne, Mr. Knouse, Mrs. Miller,
Mr. Peters, Mr. Rucci, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: Mr. Eppig

Nays: None

Absent: Mrs. Penkunas

5. TEACHER TENURE

The following teachers have met the teacher tenure requirements as set forth by the Pennsylvania School Code and were recommended for tenure, effective June 16, 2021.

District

Allison Hausman - Occupational Therapist

High School

Maribeth Johnson School Counselor
Kathryn Lapkowitz Mathematics
Brian Pearson Social Studies

Middle School

Brian Aloisio Business Education
Jonathan Taylor School Counselor

Elementary

Shanna Irish-Fyke LE Intervention Specialist
Rebecca Lewis KH Autistic Support
Mallory Weber JRB School Psychologist

Mr. Eppig moved, Mrs. Wenger seconded, the motion to approve tenure for the teachers listed above, as presented.

On voice vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Browne, Mr. Eppig, Mrs. Miller,
Mr. Peters, Mr. Rucci, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: Mr. Knouse

Nays: None

Absent: Mrs. Penkunas

6. BOARD POLICY REVISIONS – FIRST READING

It was recommended that the Board approve, as a first reading, the policy revisions to the policies listed below, and as presented on [ATTACHMENT #1](#).

<u>Policy No.</u>	<u>Title</u>
800.1	Electronic Signatures/Records
816	District Social Media
916	Volunteers

Mr. Eppig moved, Mrs. Wenger seconded, the motion to approve, as a first reading, the policy revisions to the policies, as presented.

On voice vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Browne, Mr. Eppig, Mr. Knouse,
Mrs. Miller, Mr. Peters, Mr. Rucci, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mrs. Penkunas

7. SPECIAL EDUCATION CONSORTIUM SERVICES AGREEMENT

It was recommended that the Board approve the Special Education Consortium Services Agreement with the IU13 effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, as presented on [ATTACHMENT #2](#).

Mr. Eppig moved, Mr. Peters seconded, the motion to approve the Special Education Consortium Services Agreement, as presented.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Browne, Mr. Eppig, Mr. Knouse,
Mrs. Miller, Mr. Peters, Mr. Rucci, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None
Absent: Mrs. Penkunas

8. **SUPERINTENDENT CONTRACT RENEWAL RESOLUTION**

It was recommended that the Board approve to extend the contract of Dr. April M. Hershey, effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2026:

“I hereby move that, pursuant to 1073 (b) of the Public School Code of 1949, as amended, that the Board of School Directors notify Superintendent Dr. April M. Hershey that the Board intends to retain her for a further term of five years.”

Mr. Landis moved, Mr. Eppig seconded, the motion to approve the Superintendent contract renewal resolution, as presented.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Browne, Mr. Eppig, Mr. Knouse,
Mrs. Miller, Mr. Peters, Mr. Rucci, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mrs. Penkunas

Mr. Knouse shared that Warwick is blessed to have such an amazing and strong leader along with all her team.

9. **APPROVAL OF SUPERINTENDENT CONTRACT**

It was recommended that the Board approve the contract of Dr. April M. Hershey, effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2026 as per [ATTACHMENT #3](#).

Mr. Eppig moved, Mr. Peters seconded, the motion to approve the Superintendent contract, as presented.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Browne, Mr. Eppig, Mr. Knouse,
Mrs. Miller, Mr. Peters, Mr. Rucci, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mrs. Penkunas

Mr. Landis expressed that Dr. Hershey along with her team did an extraordinary job during the past year. Being able to be in school with minimal disruptions/closures is a tribute to her, her team, the staff, and the community.

10. **APPROVAL OF SUMMER ACADEMIES AND TECHNOLOGY STAFF**

It was recommended that the Board approve the individuals and rates, as set forth on [ATTACHMENT #4](#), for staffing the 2021 Summer Academies and summer assistants for technology prep and in building services.

Mr. Eppig moved, Mr. Peters seconded, the motion to approve the use of summer academies and technology staff, as presented.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Browne, Mr. Eppig, Mr. Knouse,
Mrs. Miller, Mr. Peters, Mr. Rucci, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mrs. Penkunas

Mr. Peters expressed his appreciation of being able to continue these programs for students and is thankful for the staff who provide the instruction and assistance during the summer.

11. TAX ASSESSMENT APPEAL - ARC ONE LITITZ PARTNERS

It was recommended that the Board approve the settlement of the tax assessment appeal filed by Arc One Lititz Partners for property located at 50 Rock Lititz Boulevard, parcel number 600-69726-1-001B, for a new assessment of \$9,424,200.

Mr. Eppig moved, Mr. Rucci seconded, the motion to approve the tax assessment appeal – ARC One Lititz Partners, as presented.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Browne, Mr. Eppig, Mr. Knouse,
Mrs. Miller, Mr. Peters, Mr. Rucci, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mrs. Penkunas

12. TAX ASSESSMENT APPEAL - TARGET CORPORATION

It was recommended that the Board approve the settlement of the tax assessment appeal filed by Target Corporation for property located at 960 Lititz Pike, parcel number 600-49296-0-0002, for a new assessment of \$9,841,200.

Mr. Eppig moved, Mr. Rucci seconded, the motion to approve the tax assessment appeal – Target Corporation, as presented.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Browne, Mr. Eppig, Mr. Knouse,
Mrs. Miller, Mr. Peters, Mr. Rucci, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mrs. Penkunas

13. FINAL ADOPTION – 2021-22 WARWICK SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL FUND BUDGET

It was recommended that the Board approve the final adoption for the 2021-22 Warwick School District General Fund Budget in the amount of \$79,339,136 as presented on [ATTACHMENT #5](#). The budget does not include any tax increase, which keeps the millage rate set at 16.3711. *(Note: The Finance & Legal Committee has reviewed the budget and supports the recommendation.)*

Mr. Eppig moved, Mrs. Wenger seconded, the motion to approve the final adoption – 2021-22 General Fund Budget, as presented.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Browne, Mr. Eppig, Mr. Knouse,
Mrs. Miller, Mr. Peters, Mr. Rucci, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mrs. Penkunas

Mr. Eppig expressed thanks to Mr. Wertsch and his team for their work on the budget – not raising taxes for the past three years.

14. ANNUAL TAX LEVY RESOLUTION

It was necessary to levy the required taxes to support the 2021-22 budget. It is recommended that the required Annual Tax Levy Resolution enacting the taxes as listed on [ATTACHMENT #6](#) be acted upon by the Board.

Mr. Eppig moved, Mrs. Miller seconded, the motion to approve the annual tax levy resolution, as presented.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Browne, Mr. Eppig, Mr. Knouse,
Mrs. Miller, Mr. Peters, Mr. Rucci, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mrs. Penkunas

15. HOMESTEAD AND FARMSTEAD EXCLUSION RESOLUTION

It was recommended that the Board approve the 2021-22 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution as presented on [ATTACHMENT #7](#).

Mr. Eppig moved, Mrs. Miller seconded, the motion to approve the Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution, as presented.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Browne, Mr. Eppig, Mr. Knouse,
Mrs. Miller, Mr. Peters, Mr. Rucci, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mrs. Penkunas

Mr. Peters encouraged individuals to apply for the Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion. I can be beneficial to a property owner.

Information from the Superintendent

Dr. Hershey shared the following:

- A wonderful end of the year was had. Graduation was fantastic and received great feedback from students and families.
- Elementary students were able to participate in Step Up Day this year. They were able to meet their new teachers for next year.
- The State is requiring a new Health & Safety Plan for the new school year. It is due July 31st to the State. Administration will be working on the updated Plan over the next few weeks using guidance from the Department of Health, the CDC, and PDE. The plan will be on the July Agenda for approval and posted a week prior for review.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Student Representative

Liam Zee has been selected as the Student Representative for the 2021/2022 school year. He will begin his duties in September.

Building and Property Committee

The Building & Property Committee did not meet in June and did not have any recommendations for the Board at this time.

Education Committee

The Education Committee did not meet in June and did not have any recommendations for the Board at this time.

Finance and Legal Committee

The Finance & Legal Committee met on Tuesday, June 1, 2021. The committee reviewed the 2021-22 Food & Nutrition Services budget, the final 2021-22 General Fund budget, 2020-21 budget transfers, and obsolete equipment. The committee had the following recommendations for Board approval:

1. It was recommended that the Board approve the 2021-22 Food & Nutrition Services budget as presented on [ATTACHMENT #8](#). *(Note: The budget reflects free breakfast and lunch for all students next year through the USDA, and a required \$0.10 increase to adult breakfast and lunch prices.*

Mr. Eppig moved, Mrs. Miller seconded, the motion to approve the 2021-22 Food & Nutrition Services budget, as presented.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Browne, Mr. Eppig, Mr. Knouse,
Mrs. Miller, Mr. Peters, Mr. Rucci, and Mrs. Wenger
Abstain: None
Nays: None
Absent: Mrs. Penkunas

2. It was recommended that the Board approve the 2020-21 budget transfers as presented on [ATTACHMENT #9](#).

Mr. Eppig moved, Mrs. Miller seconded, the motion to approve the 2020-21 budget transfers, as presented.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Browne, Mr. Eppig, Mr. Knouse,
Mrs. Miller, Mr. Peters, Mr. Rucci, and Mrs. Wenger
Abstain: None
Nays: None
Absent: Mrs. Penkunas

3. It was recommended that the Board approve the disposal of obsolete equipment as presented on [ATTACHMENT #10](#).

Mr. Eppig moved, Mrs. Miller seconded, the motion to approve the disposal of obsolete equipment, as presented.

On voice vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Browne, Mr. Eppig, Mr. Knouse,
Mrs. Miller, Mr. Peters, Mr. Rucci, and Mrs. Wenger
Abstain: None
Nays: None
Absent: Mrs. Penkunas

Student Activities Committee

The Student Activities Committee did not meet during the month of June due to a lack of discussion items for the month, but a Sunday Use Facilities Request was discussed and approved via digital communication for recommendation to the Board. The Committee had the following recommendation for Board approval:

1. *It was recommended that the board approve the following Sunday Use Facilities Request:*
 - a. UNITE club to use the HS Classroom A101 for Mini-THON from May 1, 2022 beginning at 1:00 p.m. until May 2, 2022 until 5:00 p.m.

Mr. Rucci moved, Mr. Browne seconded, the motion to approve the Sunday use facilities request, as presented.

On voice vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Browne, Mr. Eppig, Mr. Knouse,
Mrs. Miller, Mr. Peters, Mr. Rucci, and Mrs. Wenger
Abstain: None
Nays: None
Absent: Mrs. Penkunas

Mr. Rucci congratulated Liam Zee on being chosen as the Student Representative to the Board and is looking forward to his input at Student Activities Committee meetings.

Executive Session/Personnel Committee

It was announced that there would be a meeting immediately following this Board meeting to discuss various personnel matters issues.

Labor and Management Committee

It was reported that no meeting was held in June.

Lititz Recreation Center Representative

It was reported that no meeting was held in June. Mr. Peters shared that the pool has opened for the summer and that family passes are almost at capacity at this time. Many families are taking advantage of this opportunity this summer.

Legislative Committee

It was reported that the State has not passed a budget yet. Information was given on several bills currently in the House and Senate from the Education Committee (SB1-references charter school law along with increases to EITC and OSTC tax credits; SB733- establishes an Education Opportunity Account Scholarship Program for Exceptional Students; and imposing duties on the Treasury Department, participating schools and resident school districts; HB15- Seeks to conduct a study on the current shortage of school bus drivers and provide recommendations to address the shortage of properly licensed school bus drivers in the Commonwealth; SB83- An Act amending the Public School Code of 1949, in terms and courses of study, further providing for firefighter and emergency service training and establishing the Fire Training Fund.)

IU Representative

It was reported that a meeting was held on Wednesday, May 19, 2021. The meeting was in-person, but some members did participate virtually. The new Assistant Executive Director, Matt Stem, began at the IU on June 14th. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 16, 2021. Information from the June meeting was shared with the Board electronically.

Lancaster County Career and Technology Center Representative

It was reported that a meeting was held on May 27, 2021 at the Willow Street Campus. Committee meetings are held before the regular meeting. The Planning and Development Committee had discussions regarding the calendar for 2021/2022, as well as reviewed and approved several articulation agreements. It was also reported that 91% of the seats available at the LCCTC are filled as of right now. The regular meeting of the JOC took place following committee meetings. The agenda contained personnel items and other usual board items. Mr. Eppig shared that in April of 2021, Amberly Trusty, a Warwick graduate, was named the Student of the Month at Mount Joy CTC. She participated in the culinary program. Following graduation, she will be taking her skills and heading out west to cook on a ranch.

PRIOR BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

INFORMATION

It was noted that the Committee of the Whole meetings for July and August have been cancelled. The Board will meet for their regular voting sessions on the third Tuesday of these months beginning at 7:00 p.m.

COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM BOARD MEMBERS OR CITIZENS

Amanda Peiffer, 108 East Gramby Street, Manheim (Warwick Teacher), shared her thanks for the support received by the teachers, staff and students through the 2020/2021 school year. She also shared thoughts on fair funding in the State of Pennsylvania.

Shelly Chmil, 202 Cambridge Lane, Lititz, expressed her thoughts on fair funding for students in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Courtney Lazar, 220 East 28th Division Highway, Lititz, shared her concerns for the Health and Safety Plan for next school year. She asked the board and administration to consider two things: 1) making masks optional for next school year, and 2) if students/families opt out of wearing masks, that a vaccination would not be required.

Pastor Matthew Lenahan, 2 Paddock Drive, Lititz, send comments via email. He expressed the need for fair funding for all students. *(submitted via email)*

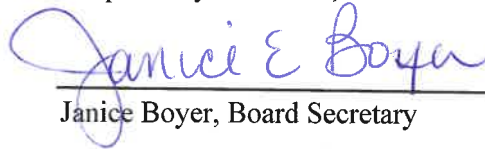
Christina Smoker, 344 Lakeview Drive, Lititz, joined the others who are in support of 100% fair funding for ALL Pennsylvania schools. *(submitted online)*

Mr. Landis thanked all those who attended and/or participated in this evening's meeting. He shared a shout out to Dr. Kristy Szobocsan for the wonderful graduation celebrating student accomplishments on June 7th. It was a great celebration!

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Eppig moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Rucci seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Janice Boyer, Board Secretary