



# Warwick School District

## Committee of the Whole

September 6, 2022

Board Room

7:00 p.m.

The school board's Committee of the Whole meeting on Tuesday, September 6, 2022 was held in the district office board room. An overflow area was set up in the lobby should attendance warrant.

Committee of the Whole meetings are not voting sessions. These meetings are held for the board to hear presentations, review policies, evaluate data, and hold discussions. Individuals interested in providing public comments must provide their name, their address, and their topic of comment to the Board Secretary at [boardsecretary@warwicksd.org](mailto:boardsecretary@warwicksd.org) before 4:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting. The board may or may not elect to respond to comments.

This meeting was held in person as well as virtually using this link:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iTfU8H0qXUA>

### ***MINUTES***

In attendance:

- Nate Wertsch, Nelson Peters, Lisa Miller, James Koelsch, Todd Rucci, Edward Browne, Scott Landis, Leslie Penkunas, Emily Zimmerman, Melanie Calender, April Hershey, Liam Zee, Fred Griffiths, Dan Wooley, Michael Sham, Kimberly Regennas, Scott Graham, Rachel Wilson Snyder, Violet Wietzel, Tannia Carpenter, Justin Kratzer, Sarah Miller, Michelle Helderman, Kevin Martzall, Carolyn Enigk, Noelle Brossman, Mark Mueller, Veronica Myer, Nate Myer, Tom Shumaker, Mike Brown, Kayla Cook, Angie Lingo, Ella Lingo, Mikie S.??, Amy Martin, Lara ??, Jim Smith, Peggy Smith, Chrissy Ovalle, Reggie Weaver, Nikki Lepisto, Robert Gosling, Larry Martin, Judy Ovalle, Becca Graham, Paula Shumaker, and Kerri Hample
- 38 concurrent users were present along with approx. 112 unique visitors and able to observe this meeting via YouTube. No names are available through YouTube.

#### 1. Interviews for Vacant Board Seat

- Mr. Rucci provided background information on the process for selection of the current candidates being interviewed. Each candidate was asked the same four questions to answer in public.
  - Candidate 1: Dan Wooley
  - Candidate 2: Michael Sham
  - Candidate 3: Kimberly Regennas
  - Candidate 4: Scott Graham
- Mr. Rucci thanked the candidates for their willingness to be here.

#### 2. Other Relevant Items

Respectfully submitted by

Kristy Szobocsan

*Next meeting: October 4, 2022*



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

**September 12, 2022**

**Conference Room A**

**6:00 p.m.**

***MINUTES***

**Cancelled**

**No meeting will be held during the month of September.**

Next meeting: **October 10, 2022**

# Warwick School District

## Education Committee



September 12, 2022

Board Room

6:00 p.m.

### ***MINUTES***

*Committee Members: Amy Balsbaugh, Shelly Chmil, Olha Drobot, Stacey Geesaman, Matt Huber, Kevin Krause, Kellye McMillion, Dr. Lindsey Stock, Dr. Steve Szobocsan, Liam Zee, Emily Zimmerman*

*Community Sign In: Mike Brown, Kimberly Regennas*

1. Welcome - Mrs. Leslie Penkunas & Mrs. Emily Zimmerman

*Leslie opened and welcomed everyone to the first education committee meeting for the 22-23 school year. She also introduced Emily Zimmerman as the co-chair with her on the committee.*

2. Education Committee Purpose/Role Review - Dr. Lindsey Stock, Director of Elementary Curriculum

*Dr. Stock read the education committee's purpose, noting how the education committee serves as a subcommittee of the school board, to refine recommendations made by school staff, not approving or denying curriculum or programming. The feedback gathered is taken to the school board to review where the board serves as the final say in the adoption of programming.*

3. Student Representative Report - Mr. Liam Zee, Student Representative

*John Beck had popsicles on the playground and the chalk walk organized by the PTO. The middle school had a kick off assembly and BTSN is Sept. 22. Middle school sports are starting out right now. High school sports are also underway. Homecoming and the associated pep rally are occurring this week, with homecoming court events leading up to the weekend. The National Honors Society is participating in the Schreiber Rubber Duck race, held indoors due to the weather, with NHS students running games. NHS will also be working with the special olympics this month as well as Luther Acres visitation with residents. Kissel Hill had Popsicles on the*

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*Playground, with over 300 popsicles consumed. Back to School Night occurred on September 8. Summer Reading Recognition also occurred. At Bonfield, they are having a lego theme this year, starting the year with a house sorting assembly to start the year. Students will be competing for house points throughout the year. They also had Cool Tools around the building to learn building expectations around the school. Liam asked if we could look to more rapidly informing students of PSAT/SATs testing dates. Dr. Szobocsan shared that now that Flex is at the end of the day, the information will be out more quickly. Liam also asked what would be involved in adding AP classes/IB programming. Dr. Szobocsan shared there are some now that haven't run based upon interest. He noted there would be an opportunity to open a course if there was interest. IB programming would take more legwork and cost for that type of instruction.*

4. New Teacher Introduction - *Dr. Lindsey Stock, Director of Elementary Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment & Dr. Steve Szobocsan, Director of Secondary Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment*

*Dr. Szoboscan shared a video from induction with each new staff member introducing themselves.*

5. Curriculum Revisions 2021- 10th Grade ELA - *Dr. Steve Szobocsan, Director of Secondary Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment*

- a. *Soldier Boy* by Keely Hutton

*Dr. Szobocsan noted that the Soldier Boy text that was part of the presentation in 2021 that was shared with the Education Committee. It was selected as a 10th grade text at that time. The area of concern at the time was the use of curse words with some violence. This was listed as an alternative to A Long Way Gone and Bite of the Mango. It had been recommended by the committee but had not been taken to the board due to a clerical error. The book was purchased and there were copies at the high school with the intention of it being used as an alternate text. It was clarified that this text might be a choice of title in combination with some other titles. Mrs. Zimmerman requested that as it is being presented to students that they were made aware of the violence within the title, communicating that ahead of time. Mrs. McMillion asked for time to read the text and weigh in, as she feels she cannot give an opinion without knowing more*

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information. The committee asked to be able to read it before the next meeting to make a final decision.

6. Update on book challenges: *It Feels Good to Be Yourself: A Book About Gender Identity*  
- Dr. Lindsey Stock

*Dr. Stock noted the title had gone through the book challenge process in the spring. In May/June, through the process, the book was chosen to remain on the shelves in the library.*

7. High School LS English Resource/Book Proposal - Mrs. Ashley Driscoll, Warwick High School Learning Support Teacher

*Mrs. Driscoll proposed a new resource to English 11/12 which is an adapted version of Hamlet in a graphic novel form from the No Fear Shakespeare series. This is an adapted translation of the traditional one from the anthologies, presenting more simple English for access. This would be used in supplement to the anthology. This would provide accessibility to a wide range of leaders. It also promotes Universal Design for Learning principles, allowing image representation. It will allow students to explore different genres of novels and is of high interest for students who are less motivated to read. This will fill a void of an adapted reader for this title. There was discussion that the title could be used to support learners in general education needing access to the title as well. The committee recommended this be taken to the board for approval.*

8. Public Comment

*None*

Submitted by  
Amy Balsbaugh

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**Warwick School District**  
**Finance and Legal Committee**

**September 6, 2022**

**Conference Room A**

**6:00 p.m.**

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***MINUTES***

**Cancelled**

**No meeting will be held during the month of September.**

Next meeting: **October 4, 2022**

# Warwick School District

## Student Activities Committee



September 8, 2022

Board Room

6:00 p.m.

### ***MINUTES***

- If you have any questions or considerations before or during the meeting please email Dr. Szobocsan @ [sszobocsan@warwicksd.org](mailto:sszobocsan@warwicksd.org)

#### 1. Greeting - Mr. Ed Browne & Mr. Scott Landis

- Thanking Mr. Landis for joining the committee and Mr. Browne's new leadership over the committee

#### 2. Student Representative Report - Liam Zee

- John Beck : Popsicles on the Playground, Chalk the Walk (PTO Event),
- WMS - Student Assemblies, athletics starting up
- WHS - tennis, Field Hockey, Golf, Soccer, Football
  - Homecoming on the 17th - Theme is Space
  - Pep-Rally, student council is doing a great job organizing Homecoming
  - NHS: Schreiber Rubber Duck Race, Special Olympics Events, Luther Acres
  - 3 things to improve on: Vaping has been handled quite well with Vape Detectors, SAT/PSAT information needs to be earlier, Link Crew does a great job but an extension of those activities would be great to see.

#### 3. Extra-Curricular Report - Mr. Earl Hazel (read by Dr. S. Szobocsan)

- 9 varsities sports running right now; 6 JH teams running
- Football has played 2 games, 0-2
- Home game vs. CV on the 17th for Homecoming
- Second Home game vs. GM for Senior Night w/ flexible bleachers
- New Turf field is in use; bleachers are in place with porta-potties for spectators
- Scoreboard will be here in time for the spring sports

#### 4. Extra-Curricular Activities Co-ops - Dr. Steve Szobocsan

- a. Dance Team - Linden Hall

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- Not a viable program at this point in time; tenuity
- Not a PIAA athletic team; historically only engaged in Co-op for PIAA
- Not approved at this time for board recommendation

5. Sunday Usage Requests - Dr. Steve Szobocsan

- PA Classics AC to use Turf Football Stadium 14 for PA Classics Winter College Showcase - Boys Weekend on December 4, 2022 from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m.
  - PA Classics AC to use Turf Football Stadium 14 for PA Classics Winter College Showcase - Girls Weekend on December 11, 2022 from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m.
  - Warwick Girls Youth Softball Association to use JB Baseball Fields 19 & 21 for practices and games beginning on August 14, 2022 and continuing through November 6, 2022 from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m.
  - Warwick Youth Football and Cheer to use Turf Football Stadium 14 for football games beginning on September 4, September 18, October 2, and October 30, 2022 from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.
- No questions for Sunday Usage
  - Sunday usages recommended for approval

6. Out of State/Overnight Trip Requests - Dr. Steve Szobocsan

- Trip to Belize - Ms. Jami Zimmerman & Ms. Angie Hohenadel
  - Overview of Belize Trip; through a tour agency with educational day trips of ruins, caves, cultural experiences, snorkeling, zipline. Cost covers 3 meals a day, hotels, tour bus, round trip flights, 6 to 1 ratio for chaperones. Liability coverage for all travelers. June 2023 est. Payment plan w/ donation page for families. \$3300 Covers chaperone costs with 12 students.
  - Committee would like to see Travel Insurance coverage offered to families
  - Committee would like to conditionally approve EF trip with the Insurance option included for students as part of bundle package

7. Additional considerations - SAC

8. Public Comment

Submitted by  
Melissa Achuff

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