



Warwick School District

Committee of the Whole

November 5, 2024

Board Room

7:30 p.m.

The school board's Committee of the Whole meeting on Tuesday, November 5, 2024 was held in the district office board room. An overflow area is available 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 before 3:30 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://youtube.com/live/sj2A4gtRHfc?feature=share>

MINUTES

In attendance

- Mrs. Janice Boyer, Mr. Nate Wertsch, Mr. Dan Woolley, Mrs. Amy Martin, Mr. Reggie Weaver, Mrs. Emily Zimmerman, Mr. Scott Landis, Mrs. Angie Lingo, Mr. James Koelsch, Dr. Melanie Calendar, Dr. Steve Szobocsan, Dr. Fred Griffiths, Mrs. Carolyn Besjak, Ms. Noelle Brossman, Mrs. Melissa Weitzel, Ms. Zoe Wiker

Absent

- Mr. Mike Brown, Mr. Bill Breault

Visitors In Attendance (Utilized Sign-In Sheets)

- Becky Dussinger (PSBA), Megan Demianovich, Amanda Sprague, Kirstin Loperena, Polly Gainer, Lisa Hochreiter, Kimberly Anderson, Kimberly Regennas, Penny Mason, Jerry Steinman, Annie Wiker, Kerri Hample, Jess Musser, Brooke Say (Stock & Leader)

Visitors In Attendance (virtually)

- Approximately **25** concurrent users were present and able to observe this meeting via YouTube. No names are available through YouTube.

1. Great Pennsylvania Schools Presentation ~ *Becky Dussinger, Senior Director of Member Outreach for PSBA (this presentation took place prior to the Special Voting Session.)*

- *PSBA Award for curriculum strength, innovative programming, extra-curricular activities, and financial health*

2. Special Education Legal Services Interviews

- a. 7:30 p.m. – Fox Rothschild LLP

Next Meeting: **December 3, 2024**

- *Question on 25 attorneys in education law; will we be working with an individual contact; or just a member of the team?*
 - *Question on the number of other districts currently serving?*
 - *What local office are you currently working out of?*
 - *Is the majority of your 20 years in special education law?*
 - *What is your approach when working with educators/staff in going through a legal experience?*
- b. 7:45 p.m. – Stock and Leader
- *Question for example on the proactive defense approach and training for staff?*
 - *What is your approach when working with educators/staff in going through litigation?*
 - *How many other school districts are you currently working with?*
 - *Is the staff development and training part of the retainer?*
 - *Would you begin to review any documents as part of new client process?*
- c. 8:10 p.m. – Sweet, Stevens, Katz & Williams, LLP
- *What is your approach with staff during a litigious situation?*
3. Audit/Budget Update ~ *Mr. Nathan Wertsch, Chief Financial Officer*
- *Reviewed Audit*
 - *Budget review of State Funding*
 - *Proposed Opt Out Resolution Recommendation*
4. Board Policy Review
- a. 146.1 – Trauma-Informed Approach (*Programs*)
 - *Dialogue on “may” and “shall” verbiage*
 - b. 234 – Pregnant/Parenting/Married Students (*Pupils*)
 - c. 247 – Hazing (*Pupils*) (with Attachment)
 - *Question on handbook language*
 - d. 249 – Bullying/Cyberbullying (*Pupils*) (with Attachment)
 - e. 252 – Dating Violence (*Pupils*) (with Attachment)
5. Other Relevant Items
6. Public Comment

The following individuals contacted the school board secretary and indicated their desire to address the board with comments regarding items not specific to any Agenda items. Individual addresses were verified by the school board secretary prior to the meeting, and these individuals spoke following the Committee of the Whole meeting on topics as listed.

NONE

The meeting adjourned at approximately **8:57** p.m.

Respectfully submitted by
Melissa Weitzel

Next Meeting: **December 3, 2024**



Warwick School District
Building and Property Committee

November 11, 2024

Conference Room A

6:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Cancelled

Due to the lack of discussion/agenda items, no meeting was held during the month of November.

Next meeting: **December 9, 2024**

Warwick School District
Education Committee



November 11, 2024

Board Room

6:00 p.m.

MINUTES
CANCELLED

Due to the lack of discussion/agenda items, no meeting was held during the month of November.

Next Meeting: December 9, 2024

In collaboration with the community, the mission of the Warwick School District is to enable all students to acquire the knowledge, skills, and values necessary to become responsible, productive, and resourceful citizens.



Warwick School District

Finance and Legal Committee

November 5, 2024

Conference Room A

6:00 p.m.

MINUTES

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. Nathan Wertsch, Mr. Kevin Martzall, Mr. Daniel Woolley, Mrs. Amy Martin, Mrs. Michelle Helderman, Mr. Stan Freydlin, Mr. Jerry Steinman, Mr. Donald Haverstick, Mrs. Melissa Weitzel

ABSENT:

COMMUNITY MEMBERS PRESENT:

1. Welcome and Public Comment
2. 2023-24 Audit Report – Lauren Fenner, Brown Plus
 - Mrs. Fenner reviewed the “Clean Audit” report.
 - Identified no material weakness or findings in compliance or oversight
 - *question on food service and donated items*
 - *Thanks and praise to the team for a smooth audit process*
 - *comments on operational stability as a benefit*
 - Committee is recommending that the board approve the audit report
3. 2023-24 Audit / 2025-26 Budget Review Presentation
 - Reviewed Budget, Millage Rate Increases, State Funding Increases, Act 1 Index
 - *Question on tax rate tied to bonds*
 - *Question on technology line item*
 - *Reviewed 7 yr tax history for Lancaster County - on website*
4. 2025-26 Opt Out Resolution Recommendation
 - Committee is recommending that the board approve the Opt Out Resolution
5. Renaming of Finance & Legal Committee
 - Committee is recommending renaming to Budget & Finance Committee
6. Other Relevant Items
7. Board Recommendations Recap
 - Committee is recommending the name change from Finance & Legal Committee to Budget & Finance Committee.
 - Committee is recommending that the board approve the audit report
 - Committee is recommending that the board approve the Opt Out

Next meeting: **December 3, 2024**

Resolution

The meeting was adjourned at approximately **6:49** pm.

Respectfully submitted by

Mrs. Melissa Weitzel

Warwick School District
Student Activities Committee



November 7, 2024

Board Room

6:00 p.m.

MINUTES
CANCELLED

Due to the lack of discussion/agenda items, no meeting was held during the month of November.

Next Meeting: December 5, 2024