

Approved Minutes
Warrick County School Corporation
Board of School Trustees
June 12, 2023

The Warrick County Board of School Trustees met in regular session on June 12, 2023, at 7:00pm with the following Board Members present: Ms. Brenda Metzger, Mr. Eric Franz, Mr. Jeff Baker, Mr. Tim Mosbey, Mr. Jordan Aigner and Mrs. Lynda Glover. Board Member, Mrs. Jane Wilhelmus was not in attendance. YouTube is the electronic means of communication used by the public to attend remotely.

Vice-President Metzger called the meeting to order. A moment of silence was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Patron Concerns

Irene Fuller came before the board with concerns regarding the material in the high school Social Studies Textbooks for the 2023-2024 school year.

Consideration of Routine Items

A motion was made by Mr. Baker and seconded by Mr. Mosbey to approve the following routine items:

- Minutes of the School Board Meeting held on May 22, 2023.
- Claims and docket for June 12, 2023.

Motion carried.

Consideration of Items for Board Action

- A. A motion was made by Mrs. Glover and seconded by Mr. Aigner to approve the ESSER III school opening plan. School districts are required to review school opening plans no less than every six months. Any subsequent revisions of the 2023-2024 plan will be based on updated guidance from the CDC, IDOH, WCHD, or executive orders from Governor Holcomb. As updated plans occur, they will be approved by the Warrick County School Board of Trustees at a public meeting where public comment is welcome. Updated plans and/or communications are always available for viewing on the Warrick County School Corporation website under Covid-19 Tab.

Motion carried.

- B. A motion was made by Mr. Franz and seconded by Mr. Baker to approve a donation request from Newburgh Elementary School Principal, Dr. Holly Arnold, in the amount of \$7,900 from the Newburgh PAT. This donation will be used for educational activities, programs, equipment, paintings, AR and Literacy celebration activities, and classroom resources.

Motion carried.

- C. A motion was made by Mr. Mosbey and seconded by Mrs. Glover to approve a donation request from Sharon Elementary School Principal, Mrs. Ashlee Bruggenschmidt. Sharon Elementary School PTO is donating a freestanding scoring table and five chairs for their gym. This donation has an estimated value of \$4,865.

Motion carried.

D. A motion was made by Mr. Baker and seconded by Mr. Franz to approve a donation request from Castle High School Principal, Mr. Jim Hood in the amount of \$3,665 from Huck's Market. This donation will be used for teacher appreciation items.

Motion carried.

E. A motion was made by Mr. Franz and seconded by Mr. Baker to approve two donation requests from Castle South Middle School principal, Mr. Greg Harris. The first donation is in the amount of \$781.05 from the Castle South PTO for the Athletic department. The second donation is in the amount of \$781.05 to be used for the Castle South Band program.

Motion carried.

F. A motion was made by Mrs. Glover and seconded by Mr. Baker to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between Evansville Christian Life Center and Castle High School for the Truth Talks Program for the 2023-2024 school year. This MOU outlines the specifics of the program regarding dating violence and has been viewed by the Warrick County School Corporation attorney, Mr. Cliff Whitehead.

Motion carried.

G. A motion was made by Mr. Franz and seconded by Mr. Aigner to approve an Electric Distribution Line Easement (Form 162C), which allows Centerpoint Energy Indiana South to bring electricity to the Warrick Pathways & Career Center building.

Motion carried.

H. A motion was made by Mr. Mosbey and seconded by Mr. Aigner to approve a Three Year Minimum Use Contract for Electric Service between CenterPoint Energy Indiana South and Warrick County School Corporation.

Motion carried.

I. A motion was made by Mrs. Glover and seconded by Mr. Baker to approve high school Social Studies Textbooks for the 2023-2024 school year. These textbooks were extensively reviewed and voted on by a combined teacher, department chair, and administrator vote. The high school teachers came to consensus. Parents reviewed the materials as well. The recommended materials align with the Indiana Academic State Standards, will provide teachers the tools to address the standards, and will provide digital and hands-on opportunities to enhance student learning.

Motion carried.

Consideration of Personnel Recommendations

Human Resources Director, Dr. Doug Gresham presented the following recommendations for employment:

A. A motion was made by Mr. Mosbey and seconded by Mr. Franz to approve the following position:

- Krystalyn Williams - Family and Consumer Science Teacher at Castle High School
- Sydney Scherry - 1st Grade Teacher at JH Castle Elementary School
- Jessica Borden - 1st Grade Teacher at Yankeetown Elementary School (currently 1st Grade at Tennyson Elementary School)

- Tyler Mizerak - Temporary 1st Grade Teacher at Elberfeld Elementary School (Paxton Britt leave of absence)
- Shelby McElwain - Counselor at Castle South Middle School (currently Social Worker at Newburgh Elementary School)
- Josh Bowlds - Social Studies Teacher and Varsity Girls' Basketball Coach at Tecumseh High School (Currently Business Teacher at Boonville High School)

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Glover and seconded by Mr. Baker to approve the following position:

- Meredith Kirkpatrick - Program Assistant at JH Castle Elementary School
- Chanda Zirkelbach - Program Assistant at JH Castle Elementary School
- Emily Phelps - Job Share Program Assistant at JH Castle Elementary School
- Abby Mitchell - Job Share Program Assistant at JH Castle Elementary School
- Andrea White - ENL Program Assistant at JH Castle Elementary School
- Payge Lemen - Program Assistant at JH Castle Elementary School
- Elise Friederich - Program Assistant at JH Castle Elementary School
- Kristen Bernick - Job Share Program Assistant at JH Castle Elementary School (currently Program Assistant at JH Castle Elementary School)
- Rebecca Russell - Job Share Program Assistant at JH Castle Elementary School
- Michaela Bunner - ABS Program Assistant at Chandler Elementary School
- Kristina Dalton - Job Share Program Assistant at Castle South Middle School
- Colleen Scholer - Job Share Program Assistant at Castle South Middle School
- Merry Peak - Program Assistant at Castle South Middle School
- Tamara Thurman - Program Assistant at Castle South Middle School
- Laura Hatfield - Program Assistant at Castle South Middle School
- Aimee McBride - Program Assistant at Castle South Middle School
- Christina Bennett - ABS Program Assistant at Newburgh Elementary School (currently Program Assistant at Newburgh Elementary School)
- Amy Holdeman - Program Assistant at Newburgh Elementary School
- Vicky Montgomery - Program Assistant at Newburgh Elementary School
- Stephanie DuPont - Program Assistant at Tennyson Elementary School
- Charity Mahoney - 4.25 hour Cafeteria Position at Elberfeld Elementary School
- Cole Woods - Program Assistant at Castle High School
- Michael Devine - Program Assistant at Castle High School (currently Program Assistant at Castle South Middle School)
- Robert Holben - Program Assistant at Castle High School
- Christina Baughn - Program Assistant at Castle High School
- Lorian Ward - Program Assistant at Castle High School
- Adella Booth - Program Assistant at Castle High School
- Kathryn Williams - Program Assistant at Castle High School
- Angie Worstell - Program Assistant at Castle High School (currently Program Assistant at Newburgh Elementary School)
- Erica Ingram - Program Assistant at Castle High School
- Elizabeth Blackford - Program Assistant at Castle High School
- Samantha Wing - Program Assistant at Oakdale Elementary School
- Christina Carwile - Program Assistant at Oakdale Elementary School
- Sara Croop - Program Assistant at Oakdale Elementary School
- Valerie France - Program Assistant at Oakdale Elementary School

- Melissa Schmitt - Program Assistant at Oakdale Elementary School
- Keshia Seger - Program Assistant at Oakdale Elementary School
- Hannah Bierman - Program Assistant at Oakdale Elementary School
- Kashmir Shigley - Program Assistant at Oakdale Elementary School (currently 3.75 hour Cafeteria employee at Boonville High School)
- Stephanie Barrentine - ABS Program Assistant at Sharon Elementary School
- Michelle Thomas - Program Assistant at Sharon Elementary School
- Katie Wynn - Job Share Program Assistant at Sharon Elementary School
- Erin Dayvolt - Job Share Program Assistant at Sharon Elementary School
- Taengkwa Sturgell - Braille Program Assistant at Sharon Elementary School
- Lindsay VanFleet - Program Assistant at Boonville Middle School (currently 4.5 hour Cafeteria Employee at Castle High School)
- Melissa McCann - Program Assistant at Boonville Middle School
- Mary App - Program Assistant at Boonville Middle School
- Jennifer Luff - Program Assistant at Boonville Middle School
- Jennifer Thomas - Program Assistant at Elberfeld Elementary School (currently Health Aide at Castle High School)
- Alison Allen - Program Assistant at Lynnville Elementary School
- Madison Gadau - Program Assistant at Lynnville Elementary School
- Brooke Nossett - Program Assistant at Tecumseh Middle School
- Keli Fodge - Social Emotional Behavior Assistant (SEBA) (currently ABS Program Assistant at Castle North Middle School)
- Tiffany Blair - Program Assistant at Yankeetown Elementary School
- Megan M Harris - Program Assistant at Yankeetown Elementary School
- Jaime Rathgeber - Program Assistant at Yankeetown Elementary School
- Andrew Durgy - Program Assistant at Yankeetown Elementary School
- Kaylynn Higgins - Program Assistant at Yankeetown Elementary School
- Brooke Farren - ABS Program Assistant at Yankeetown Elementary School
- Katelyn Page - Program Assistant at Loge Elementary School
- Kristy Vickery - Program Assistant at Loge Elementary School
- Destiney Mayse - Program Assistant at Loge Elementary School
- Megan Davis - Program Assistant at Loge Elementary School
- Bonnie Brown - Program Assistant at Loge Elementary School (currently Health Aide at Loge Elementary School)
- Dee Postin - Program Assistant at Loge Elementary School

Motion passed unanimously, with Mr. Mosbey abstaining.

B. A motion was made by Mr. Mosbey and seconded by Mr. Franz to approve the following leave requests:

- Paxton Britt, 1st Grade Teacher at Elberfeld Elementary School
- Shannon Stogsdill, Custodian at Castle High School

Motion carried.

C. Report of Early Return

- Amanda Knowles, Custodian at Tecumseh High School
- Tim Daugherty, Class C Maintenance

D. Report of Corrections

- Kimberly Eidson, 4.5 hour Cafeteria Employee at Castle High School, was reported on the February 13, 2023 board meeting as an unpaid personal leave of absence. It should have been an intermittent personal leave of absence from February 1, 2023 to May 24, 2023.

- Emilee Jones, Program Assistant at Sharon Elementary School for the 2023-2024 school year, should have been reported at the May 22, 2023 board meeting as Emilee Holderfield.

E. Resignations:

- Linda Reid, Custodian at Elberfeld Elementary School - resignation effective July 28, 2023.
- Jessica Whitsell, School Psychologist - resignation effective May 30, 2023.
- Fowler "Trey" Walters, 3.5 hour Cafeteria Employee at Castle South Middle School - resignation effective May 24, 2023.
- Mackenzie Hawkins, Math Teacher at Castle South Middle School - resignation effective June 2, 2023.
- Diana Scherer, Program Assistant at Castle High School - resignation effective June 7, 2023
- Megan Graham, Program Assistant at Elberfeld Elementary School - resignation effective June 8, 2023.

F. Retirements:

- Lori Dormeier, Special Education Teacher at Loge Elementary School - retirement effective June 1, 2023.

Reports

Superintendent, Dr. Abbie Redmon, talked about several of our summer programs with great opportunities for students in Warrick County all at no cost to our families. WCSC has partnered with several organizations such as the YMCA with their Y-REACH program which provides twenty days of academics and enrichment for students gr 1-5 at Chandler and Oakdale. Also, the United Way K-Camp which provides incoming Kindergarten students at Chandler twenty days of learning opportunities. Three hundred High School students are taking summer APEX courses, most of whom are working ahead and while a few are catching up on needed courses. We have sixty students enrolled in Driver's Education courses. Hundreds of High School students will participate in summer programming such as the AG Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) programs, summer band, and summer musical. In July, approximately 500 K-8 students are invited to a two week program, Jump Start (gr 1-8) and Kickstart Kindergarten. New this summer is our Title 1 - High Dose Tutoring. Ten students from each of our seven title schools will receive twenty hours of instruction from a WCSC teacher. The Warrick County School Corporation Food & Nutrition Department is participating in the USDA Summer Feeding Program at two locations, Chandler and Oakdale Elementary Schools. Regardless of income, anyone age 18 and younger is offered free breakfast and lunch. More information is available on our website under the Nutrition tab.

Dr. Redmon thanked Christina Zeller for all her help with organizing and ordering, our IT department, department of learning, transportation department, maintenance department, custodians, food & nutrition department, our nurses and health aides, and just anyone who is involved with a normal school day. Our summer programs are truly a team effort.

Dr. Redmon congratulated several teams and individuals who competed at either semi-state or state. Big shout out to our Tecumseh Girls Softball team for their second year in a row as State Champions!

Mr. Aigner discussed his concerns with the mining in the northern part of our County. Dr. Redmon and Mr. Armstrong will gather further information.

Ms. Metzger thanked our school PAT and PTO parent groups for their generous donations and also our volunteers who help our schools in so many ways.

Upcoming Meetings

WPCC, Construction, Technology, and Maintenance Committee:

- Monday, June 26, 2023, 7:30 am at the Administration Building, 300 E. Gum St, Boonville, IN

Special Education and Transportation Committee:

- Tuesday, July 11, 2023, 8:30 am at the Administration Building, 300 E. Gum St, Boonville, IN

Board of School Trustees:

- Monday, June 26, 2023, 7:00 pm at Central Services, 930 W. Main St, Boonville, IN

Policy and Curriculum Committee:

- Monday, July 10, 2023, 5:30 pm at Central Services, 930 W. Main St, Boonville, IN

Personnel, Food & Nutrition, and Custodial Committee:

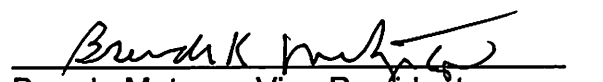
- Monday, June 26, 2023, 7:15 pm at Central Services, 930 W. Main St, Boonville, IN

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

These minutes were approved by the Warrick County Board of School Trustees on the 12th day of June, 2023.


Lynda Glover, Secretary
Warrick County Board of School Trustees

Attested:


Brenda Metzger, Vice-President
Warrick County Board of School Trustees