

**Approved Minutes**  
**Warrick County School Corporation**  
**Board of School Trustees**  
**May 13, 2024**

The Warrick County Board of School Trustees met in regular session on May 13, 2024, at 7:00 pm with the following Board Members present: Mr. Eric Franz, Mr. Jeff Baker, Mrs. Jane Wilhelmus, Mr. Tim Mosbey, and Ms. Brenda Metzger. Board Members not in attendance: Mr. Jordan Aigner and Mrs. Lynda Glover. YouTube is the electronic means of communication used by the public to attend remotely.

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

**Patron Concerns**

None

**School Spotlight: Castle North Middle School**

Mr. John Bertram introduced the performing CNMS Jazz Band and the co-band directors, John Miller and David Wantland.

Earlier this year CNMS was ranked 27th out of over 1,400 middle schools in Indiana by US News & World Report. The rankings were based on several variables that included standardized test achievement and growth and other socio-economic variables.

Other accomplishments:

- Academic accomplishments of 191 students during the Scholastic Squire Night
- Math Academic Super Bowl Team placed 3rd in State while the Science Academic Super Bowl Team placed in the top 10 for State
- 80 students made it to the Tri-State regional science fair at the University of Southern Indiana. There were four 8th grade students that moved on to the actual State Science Fair
- The Band earned the ISSMA All-Music Award. Only 34 schools in Indiana earned this honor. 28 students have been selected to represent in honor bands. 14 performers qualified for State Solo and Ensemble
- Concert Choir has had over eight successful performances over the fall and spring semesters including competition, concerts, and clinician workshops (with Castle South). This includes obtaining a Gold with Distinction rating at ISSMA Music Festival under our new Choir and music teacher, Ms Slotterback
- 7th & 8th grade girl volleyball teams won their Big Four Tournaments
- 6th & 7th grade girls basketball teams won their Big Four Conference Championships
- 7th & 8th grade boys basketball teams won their Big Four Invitationals
- 7th grade girls track won the Big four Conference Meet
- Student Council has numerous school wide events throughout the year
- Archery club placed 24th out of 267 middle school teams in the Eastern Nationals
- Theater Troupe staged two incredibly successful productions."I Hate Shakespeare" and "Honk Jr"

- GenerationOn Club writes, illustrates, and publishes an original book as a fundraiser for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library in Warrick County
- 7th grade students participate in the World Religions Field Trip each year. It is the culmination of the study of world religions in our 7th grade geography classes. The students visited a Jewish Temple, a Christian Church, a Mosque, and a Hindu Temple. They also covered Buddhism.

### **Teacher Leadership Academy**

Secondary Learning Specialist, Mrs. Erin Stallings, introduced the 2023-2024 Teacher Leadership Academy. The Teacher Leadership Academy has worked this year to strengthen building-level teams to positively impact student learning. They are:

Dakota Adcox	Abbey Barker	Lisa Butcher
Brittany Forler	Dawnette Hale	Patrick Harmon
Mike Reiter	Stephanie Roos	Katie Slepisky
Andrew Slepisky	Amanda Smith	Christy Stone
Carrie Walker	Paige Winters	

### **Recognition of 2023-2024 Retirees**

Dr. Redmon introduced the 2023-2024 Retirees. They are:

Lory Blair	Cathy Brown	Nancy Bullinger
Marilyn Caldemeyer	Jill Dean	Marsha Fiscus
Gwendolyn Fulk	Jamie Gray	Robert Harmon Jr.
Malinda Kingsbury	Harol Lafferty	Mark Memmer
Angela Merkley	Tana Orth	Kevin Oxley
Cynthia Phillips	Dale Tepe	Jill Vile
Michael Whitten	Jimmy Williams	Steven Wilson

### **Consideration of Routine Items**

A motion was made by Ms. Metzger and seconded by Mr. Franz to approve the following routine items:

- Minutes of the School Board meeting held on April 22, 2024.
- Claims and docket for May 13, 2024.

Motion carried.

### **Consideration of Items for Board Action**

A. A motion was made by Mr. Mosbey and seconded by Mr. Baker appointed Dr. Abbie Redmon to a two year term to serve as the non-voting advisor to the Redevelopment Commission (RDC).  
Motion carried.

B. A motion was made by Mr. Franz and seconded by Mr. Baker approved a request from the Director of Human Resources, Dr. Doug Gresham, to enter into an agreement with Amergis Healthcare Staffing, Inc. d/b/a Amergis Educational Staffing for outside staffing purposes  
Motion carried.

- C. A motion was made by Ms. Metzger and seconded by Mr. Mosbey approved to enter into a Sponsorship Agreement with Liberty Federal Credit Union to provide a significant monetary donation to Warrick County School Corporation for (i) sponsoring the installation of a new turf field at the Castle High School baseball field and (ii) advertising at Castle High School's baseball field, football field, basketball and gymnasium. Since we are still finalizing this agreement, the Board has approved to (i) approve this arrangement and (ii) delegate to the Superintendent the authority to execute the Sponsorship Agreement with Liberty Federal Credit Union at a later date, after it has been approved by the School Board's attorney, Mr. Cliff Whitehead.  
Motion carried.
- D. A motion was made by Mr. Baker and seconded by Mr. Franz approved a request from the Director of Learning, Mr. Jason Fischer, to add White Rose and Train to the Warrick County Reading List for high school students.  
Motion carried.
- E. A motion was made by Mr. Mosbey and seconded by Ms. Metzger to approve a request from the Director of Student Services, Dr. Walter Lambert, requesting the removal of two policies that are no longer needed in order to run an effective school corporation. The Board approved the removal of **Policy 2100 - Administrative Team** and **Policy 2110 - Administrative Team Guidelines**  
Motion carried.
- F. A motion was made by Mr. Baker and seconded by Mr. Franz to approve a request from Mr. Jason Fischer to apply for an Indiana Department of Education school number for the Warrick Pathways and Career Center.  
Motion carried.
- G. A motion was made by Mr. Baker and seconded by Mr. Mosbey to approve the Warrick County Deaconess Health Clinic's utilization continues to rise, the necessity for more service availability has become apparent. For WCSC administration and Deaconess to build those additional hours into the clinic schedule, the third amendment must be executed. This amendment's sole purpose is to replace the current Exhibit A (Fee Schedule) with one that provides capability to add additional hours to our clinic.  
Motion carried.
- H. A motion was made by Mr. Franz and seconded by Ms. Metzger to approve a request from the Director of Learning, Mr. Jason Fischer, to add the following IDOE approved high school offering for the 2024-2025 school year.
- *AP Seminar*
- Motion carried.
- I. A motion was made by Mr. Mosbey and seconded by Mr. Franz to approve the following donation requests:
- Tennyson Elementary School - \$1,000 donation from Living Word Christian Church to be used for summer student activities

- Warrick Pathways and Career Center - \$4,450 donation from Ascension St. Vincent to cover Nursing certification costs
- Castle North Middle School - \$1,395 donation from Chris Love to purchase a X-Carve CNC (equipment for tech class)
- Castle Elementary School - \$500 donation from Vincennes Historical and Antiquarian grant fund to be used for transportation to Vincennes

Motion carried.

### **Consideration of Personnel Recommendations**

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

- A. A motion was made by Ms. Metzger and seconded by Mr. Mosbey to approve the following positions:

#### **Certified Staff Positions**

- Peyton Ahrens - Art Teacher at Castle High School for the 2024-2025 school year
- Kali Holder - Agriculture Teacher at Boonville High School for the 2024-2025 school year (currently Title 1 Teacher at Boonville Middle School)
- Nikki Mosby - PK Special Education Teacher at Warrick Education Center for the 2024-2025 school year (currently Program Assistant at John H Castle Elementary School)
- Drew Lawrence - Personal Finance at Castle High School for the 2024-2025 school year (currently US History Teacher at Castle South Middle School)
- Danielle Velazquez - Special Education Teacher at Loge Elementary School for the 2024-2025 school year
- Addison Stailey - 3rd Grade Teacher at John H Castle Elementary School for the 2024-2025 school year
- Katirya Del Mar Hernandez Martinez - Special Education Teacher at Sharon Elementary School for the 2024-2025 school year
- Corrie Iubelt - 5th Grade Teacher at Sharon Elementary School for the 2024-2025 school year
- Caitlyn Salaman - 5th Grade Teacher at Sharon Elementary School for the 2024-2025 school year
- Madison Land - Special Education Teacher at Sharon Elementary School for the 2024-2025 school year
- Haylee Fisher - Special Education Teacher at Sharon Elementary School for the 2024-2025 school year (currently ABS Program Assistant at Sharon Elementary School)
- Caroline Smith - Special Education Teacher at Yankeetown Elementary School for the 2024-2025 school year

#### Support Staff Positions

- Tessa Strauser - Library Aide at Castle North Middle School for the 2024-2025 school year (currently Program Assistant at Castle North Middle School)
- Melanie Kleeman - Clerical Aide at Warrick Education Center for the 2024-2025 school year (currently Program Assistant at Newburgh Elementary School)
- Lindsey Trafford - Full Time Custodian at Boonville Middle School
- Heath Ferguson - Full Time Custodian at Tecumseh High School
- Ryan Pace - Full Time Custodian at Castle High School (currently Part Time Custodian at Castle High School)
- Dalton Simpson - Full Time Custodian at Sharon Elementary School
- Kylie Murphy - Full Time Custodian at Newburgh Elementary School (currently Part Time Custodian at Newburgh Elementary School)
- Patricia Diane Orange - Full Time Custodian at Chandler Elementary School
- Sam Shaughnessy - Full Time Custodian at Yankeetown Elementary School
- Kayla O'Neal - 4.25 hour Cafeteria Position at Castle High School
- Eric Blount - Class D Maintenance at Tecumseh High School (currently Head Custodian at Tecumseh High School)
- Molly Ackerman - Job Share Program Assistant at Newburgh Elementary School for the 2024-2025 school year (currently temporary Program Assistant at Newburgh Elementary School)
- Shadoe Oliver - Program Assistant at Newburgh Elementary School for the 2024-2025 school year
- Lacey Wyatt - Program Assistant at Newburgh Elementary School for the 2024-2025 school year
- Dana Fisher - Secretary/Treasurer at Boonville Middle School for the 2024-2025 school year (currently Health Aide at Oakdale Elementary School)
- Ellen Raibley - ABS Program Assistant at Sharon Elementary School for the 2024-2025 school year (currently temporary ABS Program Assistant at Sharon Elementary School)
- Ivonne Mandes - ABS Program Assistant at Sharon Elementary School for the 2024-2025 school year (currently temporary Program Assistant at Sharon Elementary School)
- Sarah Rasche - ABS Program Assistant at Sharon Elementary School for the 2024-2025 school year (currently temporary ABS Program Assistant at Sharon Elementary School)

#### Varsity Coaching Positions

- Jarrett Busing - Varsity Wrestling Coach at Boonville High School
- Ryan McKinney - Varsity Girls Basketball Coach at Boonville High School

Motion carried.

**B. A motion was made by Mr. Mosbey and seconded by Mr. Baker to Rescind Employment:**

- Christian Suarez - Spanish Teacher at Castle High School for the 2024-2025 school year
- Stephen Wilson - Civil Construction (Heavy Highway) Teacher at Warrick Pathways and Career Center for the 2024-2025 school year

Motion carried.

**IMPROVING ON A TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE**

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

- Ashley Cramer, Special Education Teacher at Chandler Elementary School
- Hayley Cameron, Math Teacher at Castle North Middle School
- Michelle Kempf, Agri-Science Teacher at Tecumseh High School
- Ashleigh Turner, ABS Special Education Teacher at Sharon Elementary School
- Hannah Trine, Speech/Language Pathologist at Oakdale Elementary School
- Alicia Pieper, 3rd Grade Teacher at Chandler Elementary School

Motion carried.

D. Resignations:

- Jamie Morrison, Temporary Program Assistant at Newburgh Elementary School - resignation effective April 24, 2024.
- Deena Rinehart, Secretary/Treasurer at Boonville Middle School - resignation effective June 7, 2024.
- Ruth Cooper, Pre-Nursing Teacher at Warrick Pathways and Career Center - resignation effective April 30, 2024.
- Eliza Brock, Program Assistant at Castle High School - resignation effective May 22, 2024.
- Sarah Steinhauer, ABS Program Assistant at Loge Elementary School - resignation effective May 24, 2024.
- Elyse Rumble, Art Teacher at Oakdale Elementary School - resignation effective June 1, 2024.
- Brittany Jones, Program Assistant at Newburgh Elementary School - resignation effective May 23, 2024.

E. Retirements:

- Karen Whitten, Program Assistant at Oakdale Elementary School - retirement effective June 1, 2024.
- Theresa A Dixon, 3rd Grade Teacher at John H. Castle Elementary School - retirement effective June 1, 2024.

### **Reports**

None

### **Other Board Business**

None

### **Upcoming Meetings**

#### **Construction, Technology, and Maintenance Committee:**

- Tuesday, May 14, 2024, 7:30 am at WPCC, 1201 American Way, Boonville, IN

#### **Special Education and Transportation Committee:**

- Wednesday, June 5, 2024, 8:30 am at the Administration Building, 300 E. Gum St, Boonville, IN

**Policy and Curriculum Committee:**

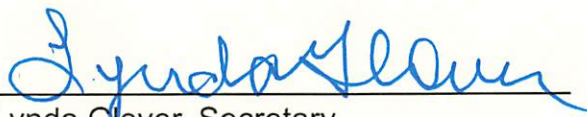
- Monday, June 10, 2024, 5:30 pm at Central Services, 930 W. Main St, Boonville, IN

**Personnel, Food & Nutrition, and Custodial Committee:**

- Monday, June 10, 2024, 6:30 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 28th day of May, 2024.



Lynda Glover, Secretary  
Warrick County Board of School Trustees

Attested:



Jane Wilhelmus, President  
Warrick County Board of School Trustees