

The Warren Local Board of Education will meet for the purpose of a Regular Meeting on December 16, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at Warren High School, Rooms 1710/1711, 130 Warrior Drive Vincent, Ohio, with the following members answering Roll Call:

Mr. Allen, yes; Mr. Crum, absent; Mrs. Greenup, yes; Mrs. Proctor, yes; Mr. Roush, yes

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Tiffany Dowler – Warrior Drive – Expressed concerns over the drug testing policy of the District. Questioned how students/athletes are randomly selected, why the testing process has changed over time, and the appeal process. Also expressed concern over the process of the board approving the policy in a quick timeline. Asked if HIPPA was followed during the testing process and what effect the testing process has on students. Would like a committee to be formed to review policy.

Milt Nuzum – Oakview Ave, Vincent – Stated that he is a lawyer and has read the board minutes when the policy was approved. At the same meeting, lots of items were approved in a short period of time. Suggested to the Board that they take more time to discuss matters.

Mr. Allen stated that he comes well prepared to Board meetings, including fully reading all materials and is prepared to ask questions if needed.

Mr. Roush stated that the Boards and District often lean on outside entities, such as the Ohio School Boards Association, for guidance.

Milt Nuzum questioned why there is no appeal of punishment or no retest if the students requests it. Asked that a group be formed to look at the policy and process. Felt that students feel bullied.

Mr. Steve Harold stated that the drug testing policy was created in 2019 by a group of people that included 12 parents. Stated that tobacco legal age is 21 and that the drug testing policy is referenced numerous places and times including on final forms, at the preseason OSHAA parent meeting, and on the website.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A. TREASURER'S BUSINESS

RES. NO. 88-24

Motion by Mr. Allen, second by Mr. Roush

The Treasurer recommends approving the following:

- a. Minutes of the November 20, 2024, Regular Meeting.
- b. Payment of bills and other expenses for November 2024, as presented in the amount of \$4,182,281.67.
- c. Financial Reports for November 2024, as presented: Investment Balances and Rate of Return, Cash Position Report, all checks dated between November 1 and November 30, 2024.

- d. Investment Record in the amount of \$533.02. This was deposited in the Permanent Improvement Fund as Investment Earnings during the month of November 2024.
- e. Amend Estimated Resources and Appropriations as follows:

FY 2025 Estimated Revenues and Appropriations						
	Revenue			Appropriations		
	Amended Certificate Amounts	Amendments for Dec	Amended Certificate Amounts	FY 24 Appropriation Amounts	Amendments December	FY 24 Appropriation Amounts
General	\$32,634,330.02	\$0	\$32,634,330	\$23,392,796	\$0	\$23,392,796
Special Revenue Funds						
016 Emergency Levy	\$2,196,314.30	\$0	\$2,196,314	\$1,899,450	\$0	\$1,899,450
018 Public School Support	39,205	0	39,205	18,900	0	18,900
019 Other Grants	69,115	0	69,115	55,667	0	55,667
022 Tournament	20,117	0	20,117	14,351	0	14,351
034 Classroom Facilities	952,867	0	952,867	200,000	0	200,000
031 UST Surety	11,000	0	11,000	0	0	0
035 Severance Benefits	392,092	0	392,092	200,000	0	200,000
300 District Managed Activities	303,674	6,000	309,674	283,815	17,000	300,815
451 Data Communication Fund	8,554	0	8,554	5,400	0	5,400
461 MMGW/HSTW	5,504	0	5,504	3,000	0	3,000
499 Miscellaneous State Grants	45,001	0	45,001	38,447	30,000	68,447
506 Race to the Top	1,691	0	1,691	1,691	0	1,691
516 Title IDEA VIB	512,848	0	512,848	512,848	-	512,848
536 Title I Supplemental	248	0	248	0	-	0
572 Title I	531,850	0	531,850	531,850	0	531,850
584-Title IVA	100,332	0	100,332	34,009	0	34,009
590 Title IIA	89,823	0	89,823	89,823	0	89,823
599 Misc Federal Grants	50	1,009,918	1,009,968	0	1,009,918	1,009,918
Total	5,280,285	1,015,918	6,296,203	3,889,251	1,056,918	4,946,169
Debt Service Fund						
002 Building Project Debt Service	\$2,709,362	\$0	\$2,709,362	\$1,300,000	\$0	\$1,300,000
Capital Projects Fund						
003 Permanent Improvement	\$1,685,274	\$0	\$1,685,274	\$300,000	\$0	\$300,000
004 Building Project	2,871,111	0	2,871,111	100,000	0	100,000
010 OFCC Fund Local Share	780,502	0	780,502	1,000,000	0	1,000,000
010 OFCC Fund Local Share Interest	966,154	0	966,154	0	0	0
010 OFCC Fund State Share	593,051	0	593,051	80,500	0	80,500
010 OFCC Fund State Share Interest	174,297	0	174,297	0	0	0
070 Capital Projects	906,700	0	906,700	750,000	0	750,000
	7,977,089	0	7,977,089	2,230,500	0	2,230,500
Enterprise						
006 Food Service	\$2,116,778	\$0	\$2,116,778	\$1,336,597	\$0	\$1,336,597
009 Uniform School Supplies	132,645	0	132,645	93,500	0	93,500
Total	2,249,423	0	2,249,423	1,430,097	0	1,430,097
Internal Service Fund						
024 Self Insurance	\$4,056,686	\$0	\$4,056,686	\$4,021,000	\$0	\$4,021,000
Private Purpose Trust Fund						
007 Trust	\$13,000	\$0	\$13,000	\$6,000	\$0	\$6,000
Agency Fund						
200 Student Activities	\$425,300.31	\$0	\$425,300	\$301,789	\$0	\$301,789
Grand Total	\$55,345,476	\$1,015,918	\$56,361,394	\$36,571,433	\$1,056,918	\$37,628,351

Mr. Allen, yes; Mr. Crum, absent; Mrs. Greenup, yes; Mrs. Proctor, yes; Mr. Roush, yes

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS

A. Legislative Liaison – Jesse Roush – talked about HB8 – Bill of Rights and implications

B. WCCC Report - Jesse Roush – updated the Board on the Adult Tech space renovation.

C. Committee Reports –

District Operations - Mr. Allen reported that the Committee met at 5pm and discussed the JH softball field, implementation of the new transportation system, the construction of the health clinic and the efficiencies of the maintenance and transportation departments.

Finance – no report

Policy – Mr. Roush reported that the Committee met and reviewed changes to several policies that are mostly minor wording changes. The board will be able to review all changes and the policies will go through 2 readings.

Learning, Instruction, & Assessment – no report

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. SUPERINTENDENT'S BUSINESS

RES. NO. 89-24

Motion by Mrs. Greenup, second by Mr. Roush

The Administration recommends approving the following:

- a. Non-Exclusive Licensing Agreement, Direct Sales and Brand Use, between The Rock Box, and Warren Local School District, effective December 16, 2024 – June 30, 2025.
- b. Membership in the Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA), effective January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025, at a cost of \$6,890.
- c. Participation in the Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA) Legal Assistance Fund, effective January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025, at a cost of \$250.

Mr. Allen, yes; Mr. Crum, absent; Mrs. Greenup, yes; Mrs. Proctor, yes; Mr. Roush, yes

RES. NO. 90-24

Motion by Mr. Allen, second by Mrs. Greenup

The Administration recommends approving the following:

Appoint Mrs. Proctor, President Pro Tempore, to preside over the January 2025 Organizational Meeting.

Mr. Allen, yes; Mr. Crum, absent; Mrs. Greenup, yes; Mrs. Proctor, yes; Mr. Roush, yes

RES. NO. 91-24

Motion by Mr. Roush, second by Mr. Allen

The Administration recommends approving the following:

RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY FOR THE RENEWAL OF AN EMERGENCY TAX LEVY (Ohio Revised Code Sections 5705.03, 5705.194 - 5705.197)

WHEREAS, the School District currently has in existence an emergency tax levy to raise \$1,755,600 per year for a period of 10 years, approved by the voters of the School District on May 6, 2014, and first placed on the tax list and duplicate for the 2015 tax year for collection in years 2016 through 2025 (the “Existing Levy”); and

WHEREAS, the revenue that will be raised by all tax levies that the School District is authorized to impose, when combined with state and federal revenues, will be insufficient to provide for the emergency requirements of the School District; and

WHEREAS, a resolution declaring the necessity of levying a renewal tax outside the ten-mill limitation pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Sections 5705.194 – 5705.197 must be passed and certified to the County Auditor of Washington County, Ohio (the “County Auditor”) in order to permit the Board to consider the levy of such renewal tax, and must request that the County Auditor certify to the Board the current total taxable value of the School District and the estimated annual levy, expressed in mills for each \$1 of taxable value as well as in dollars (rounded to the nearest dollar) for each \$100,000 of the “county auditor’s appraised value” (as defined in Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.01(P)), that will be required to produce the amount of stated revenue of such renewal tax throughout the life of such levy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Warren Local School District, Washington and Athens Counties, Ohio, a majority of all of the members thereof concurring, that:

Section 1. It is necessary to renew all of the Existing Levy, which is a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation, for the purpose of providing for the emergency requirements of the School District (the “Renewal Emergency Levy”). The amount of money necessary to raise for that purpose is \$1,755,600 for each calendar year that the millage of the Renewal Emergency Levy is in effect. The Renewal Emergency Levy shall be in effect upon the entire territory of the School District for a period of 10 years and shall include a levy on the tax list and duplicate for the 2025 tax year (commencing in 2025, first due in calendar year 2026), if approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon.

Section 2. As authorized by Ohio Revised Code Sections 5705.194 – 5705.197, the question of levying the Renewal Emergency Levy to renew the Existing Levy shall be submitted to all of the electors in the entire territory of the School District at the election to be held on May 6, 2025. All of the territory of the School District is located in Washington and Athens Counties, Ohio.

Section 3. The Treasurer of the Board is directed to immediately certify a copy of this Resolution to the County Auditor with instructions for the County Auditor to calculate and certify to the Board the current total taxable value of the School District and the annual levy, expressed in mills for each \$1 of taxable value as well as in dollars (rounded to the nearest dollar) for each \$100,000 of the county auditor’s appraised value, that will be required to produce the amount of the Renewal Emergency Levy set forth in this Resolution throughout the life of the Renewal Emergency Levy.

Section 4. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22.

Mr. Allen, yes; Mr. Crum, absent; Mrs. Greenup, yes; Mrs. Proctor, yes; Mr. Roush, yes

PERSONNEL

RES. NO. 92-24

Motion by Mr. Roush, second by Mrs. Greenup

a. Certified Personnel Recommendations

Employ (*pending successful verification of certification and experience, completion of criminal records checks, and other state and local requirements for the position*): **None at this time.**

Retirement

Hicks, (Zelma) Diane - Middle school, social studies teacher, grade 7, effective at the end of the 2024-2025 school year.

Trader, Dwight - High school, math teacher, effective at the end of the 2024-2025 school year.

Supplemental Recommendations for the 2024-2025 School Year

Employ (*pending successful verification of certification and experience, completion of criminal records checks, and other state and local requirements for the position*): **None at this time.**

b. Classified Personnel Recommendations

Employ (*pending successful verification of certification and experience, completion of criminal records check, and other state and local requirements for the position*): **None at this time.**

Classified Substitutes (*pending successful verification of certification and experience, completion of criminal records check, and other state and local requirements for the position*):

Cross, Bryan King, Timothy

Resignation

Love, Kylie - Cheerleading coach, junior varsity basketball, pupil activity position for the 2024-2025 school year.

c. Pupil Activity Recommendations

Employ (*pending upon number of participants, successful verification of certification and experience, completion of criminal records check, and other state and local requirements for the position*):

WHEREAS the Warren Local School District Board of Education has offered the following supplemental positions to licensed individuals employed in the school district; and no such employees qualified to fill the position(s) have accepted them; and

WHEREAS the Warren Local School District Board of Education has advertised the following supplemental positions as available to any licensed individual who is qualified to fill them, and who is not employed by the board, and no such person has applied for and accepted the position; The Warren Local Board of Education directs the Treasurer to enter into a Pupil Activity Program Contract with the following non-licensed individuals for the term of one school year. Each contract will automatically terminate at the conclusion of the school year (applicable year noted below) without action. Each contract will be for an amount equal to the amount specified under Supplemental Contracts within the negotiated agreement with the Warren Local Education Association. Each applicant is required to maintain a valid Pupil Activity Program Permit as per Ohio Revised Code 3313.53.

Pupil Activity Recommendations for the 2024-2025 School Year

<u>Athletics</u>	<u>Bldg.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Salary</u>
<u>Cheerleading</u>			
Junior Varsity (basketball)	HS	Roddy, Allison	Per the negotiated agreement
Junior Varsity	HS	Love, Kylie	Volunteer

<u>Academics</u>	<u>Bldg.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Salary</u>
<u>Band</u>			
Winter Guard	HS	Collins, Stephen	Per the negotiated agreement

Mr. Allen, yes; Mr. Crum, absent; Mrs. Greenup, yes; Mrs. Proctor, yes; Mr. Roush, yes

BOARD’S COMMUNICATION – Mr. Roush commented further on the Drug testing policy giving statistics on total tests/positive tests since the inception as well as the percentage of positive tests that were nicotine related. Mrs. Greenup expressed that the expectations to be on a team is that you will be participating under the drug testing policy. Mr. Kyle Scott reaffirmed that results are kept confidential. Mr. Allen reiterated that the Board does ready policies and all board items in advance of the meetings.

REAFFIRM TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

- The January Organizational Meeting will be held January 6, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at Warren High School, Warrior Room, Vincent, Ohio. The Regular Meeting will be held immediately following the conclusion of the Organizational Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

RES. NO. 93-24

Motion by Mr. Allen, second by Mrs. Greenup

To adjourn the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

Mr. Allen, yes; Mr. Crum, absent; Mrs. Greenup, yes; Mrs. Proctor, yes; Mr. Roush, yes

Treasurer

President