

WARREN LOCAL SCHOOLS

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Operations Committee Minutes

April 23, 2026

5:00 pm - Warrior Room

Attendees: Mr. Allen, Mr. Crum, Mr. Newton, Mrs. Wells, Mrs. Spence, Mr. Ludwig, Mrs. Jaramillo

I. **Guest Comments**

None

II. **Operations Update**

Mr. Ludwig presented a handout. Completion of 73 out of 74 requests. Mowing season is in full swing and is going well. Gearing up for end of year activities which typically have many events to prepare, set up and tear down for.

Archer building is under construction and moving along on schedule.

III. **Transportation Update**

Mrs. Jaramillo presented a handout. For the first time in quite a long time, the department is fully staffed. GPS has been installed on the newly purchased bus. Cameras are scheduled to be installed soon. Once completed the bus will be activated on route.

Special needs equipment has all been upgraded and is now in line with specifications.

T8 bus driver physicals are scheduled to begin Jun 1, 2026 at the elementary school. Ohio University will be completing the physicals. Mrs. Jaramillo has been in discussion with Ashley Bush, Hopewell Clinic, to determine what is needed so we can utilize them in the future. They are also looking into being able to perform the drug testing for drivers.

Discussion around the costs per pupil. Transportation is 9% of the total district budget.

Mrs. Jaramillo is currently working on preparing data for next year's rollover.

IV. **Athletic Update**

None.

V. **Old Business**

Archery building is under construction. Walls were up, trusses are on site and scheduled to be installed next week. The 2nd pay app was submitted for payment today.. Press box updates including mini split, new windows, and doors will be completed. Mr. Allen asked for cost estimates for new bathroom facilities . Estimates were discussed. Structural is estimated to be \$156,546, Site \$50,00 and Utilities \$50,00-\$100,00. Question was raised as to who will be responsible for pursuing the grants for walking/bike paths and outdoor basketball court. This will likely fall to Mr. Newton



and Mrs. Wells. Mr. Ludwig received a new product to try on the exterior block stains. The product has not been used yet, but he will try it out and report back next month.

Mr. Newton has been working on the 3 year capital plan. He has completed a draft form and will present to the committee at the May meeting. The Elementary playground sunshade has been delivered. Installation will occur over the summer.

Mr. Allen would like Mr. Ludwig to look for GPS equipment - We will not be pursuing.

Mr. Newton reached out to two landscape architects about obtaining a preliminary cost estimate for a bike/walking path. He has had 1 response that did not seem interested. He will continue to look.

VI. **New Business**

None

VII. **Presentation/discussion of monthly safety topic by staff**

None

Adjourned at 5:54PM. Next Meeting May 28, 2026

