

North Warren Central School District
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
August 7, 2023
5:00 PM

Mr. Maday called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

School Board Members Present: Buckman, Freebern, LaGuerre, Maday, Swan.
 School Board Members Absent: Erickson and Hill

Also Present: Michele G. French, Superintendent; Judith McAvey, District Clerk; Christopher Lail, Business Official.

Motion by Mr. Buckman, seconded by Mr. Freebern to accept the agenda changes.
 Motion carried unanimously.

7/12/23
Minutes
Approved

Motion by Mr. Freebern, seconded by Mr. Buckman to approve the minutes of the July 12, 2023 Organizational Meeting and Regular Meeting of the Board of Education.
 Motion carried unanimously.

7/24/23
Minutes
Approved

Motion by Mr. Freebern, seconded by Mr. Buckman to approve the minutes of the July 24, 2023 Special Meeting of the Board of Education.
 Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Gregson requested the Board consider allowing her daughter to continue to attend North Warren due to her residency status. Mrs. French stated this is an agenda item later in the meeting.

Warrants
Accepted

Motion by Mrs. LaGuerre, seconded by Mr. Freebern to accept warrants 94, 95 and 97.
 Motion carried unanimously.

Budget
Status
Report
Accepted

Motion by Mr. Freebern, seconded by Mr. Buckman to accept the Budget Status Report.
 Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurers
Report
Accepted

Motion by Mr. Freebern, seconded by Mrs. LaGuerre to accept the Treasurer's Report for May 2023.
 Motion carried unanimously.

Policies
Approved

Motion by Mrs. Swan, seconded by Mr. Buckman to approve the 2nd reading and adopt the following policies:

5630 Facilities: Inspection, Operation, and Maintenance
 5661 Wellness
 6550 Leaves of Absence
 7150 Remote Instruction
 7420 Sports and the Athletic Program
 7512 Student Physicals
 7515 Head Lice
 8240 Instruction in Certain Subjects
 8450 Home Instruction.

Motion carried unanimously.

Tax Levy
set

Motion by Mrs. Swan, seconded by Mr. Freebern to set the 2023-2024 tax levy at \$9,692,734.
 Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Freebern, seconded by Mrs. LaGuerre to approve the tax warrant for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.
Motion carried unanimously.

Tax Warrant
Approved

Motion by Mr. Freebern, seconded by Mr. Buckman to approve the tax collection plan.
Motion carried unanimously.

Tax Collection
Plan Approved

Motion by Mr. Buckman, seconded by Mrs. Swan to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between North Warren Central School, North Warren Teacher Association and Jennifer Lawson.
Motion carried unanimously.

MOA with
Lawson
Approved

Motion by Mr. Buckman, seconded by Mrs. LaGuerre to approve the overnight conference for Michele French on September 25.
Motion carried unanimously.

Conference
Approved

Motion by Mr. Freebern, seconded by Mrs. LaGuerre to accept the Central District Treasurer's quarterly report.
Motion carried unanimously.

CDT Report
Accepted

Motion by Mr. Freebern, seconded by Mr. Buckman to appoint Michele French as Civil Rights Compliance Officer and Caleb Martin as Alternate Civil Rights Compliance Officer.
Motion carried unanimously.

Civil Rights
Comp. Officers

Motion by Mrs. LaGuerre, seconded by Mr. Buckman to change the hours of Rena DeFranco, Teacher Aide, from 6.5 hours per day to 6.75 hours per day effective 9/1/23 to 6/30/24.
Motion carried unanimously.

DeFranco
Hours
Changed

Motion by Mr. Buckman, seconded by Mrs. LaGuerre to change the hours of Nancy Koenig, Teacher Aide, from 6.5 hours per day to 7 hours per day effective 9/1/23 to 6/30/24.
Motion carried unanimously.

Koenig Hours

Motion by Mrs. LaGuerre, seconded by Mr. Buckman to change the hours of Karen Hilton, Teacher Aide, from 6.5 hours per day to 7 hours per day effective 9/1/23 to 6/30/24.
Motion carried unanimously.

Hilton Hours

Motion by Mr. Buckman, seconded by Mr. Freebern to change the hours of Janeen Scorzelli, Teacher Aide, from 6.5 hours per day to 6.75 hours per day effective 9/1/23 to 6/30/24.
Motion carried unanimously.

Scorzelli
Hours

Motion by Mr. Buckman, seconded by Mr. Freebern to change the hours of Kyle Rubado-Judkins, Teaching Assistant, from 6.5 hours per day to 6.75 hours per day effective 9/1/23 to 6/30/24.
Motion carried unanimously.

Rubado-
Judkins Hours

Motion by Mrs. LaGuerre, seconded by Mr. Buckman to accept the Budget Transfers for June 2023.
Motion carried unanimously.

Budget
Transfers
Accepted

Advisors
Appointed

Motion by Mr. Buckman, seconded by Mr. Freebern to approve the following advisors for the 2023-2024 school year:
Class of 2028 – Nancy Koenig
Class of 2029 - Melissa Myers
National Honor Society – Adam Bombard
Interact Club – Josh Gifford
Motion carried unanimously.

BOCES Services
Agreement

Motion by Mr. Buckman, seconded by Mrs. LaGuerre to approve the BOCES services agreement for 2023-2024.
Motion carried unanimously.

Amended
Contract with
Helen Miner

Motion by Mrs. LaGuerre, seconded by Mr. Buckman to approve the amended Employment Contract with Helen Miner effective for the 2023-2024 school year.
Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. French reports the ARP funding has not all been expended and she would like to hire an extra support teacher to help students struggling in grades 7-12. This will be funded through ARP.

Temp Teaching
position created

Motion by Mrs. LaGuerre, seconded by Mrs. Swan to create a temporary teaching position for instructional support for grades 7-12. This will be a one year position effective 9/1/23 to 6/30/24.
Motion carried unanimously.

Coaches
Appointed

Motion by Mr. Buckman, seconded by Mr. Freebern to approve the following coaches for the 2023-2024 season:
Modified Girls Soccer – Rick Mahlstedt
Modified Boys Soccer – Co-Coaches - Jacob Smith and Jaden Smith
Varsity Girls Soccer – Tony Warrington
All appointments are pending completion of coaching requirements and student participation.
Motion carried unanimously.

S. Ross
Appointed

Motion by Mrs. LaGuerre, seconded by Mrs. Swan upon recommendation of the Superintendent, appoint Shawnee Ross who is permanently certified in Special Education to the temporary position of Instructional Support Teacher effective September 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024. Mrs. Ross will be appointed on Step 1 of the NWT A contract.
Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. French discussed the residency of an 11th grade student. She reports this is not a typical residency issue as her father had died and her siblings and stepmother still live in the district. She has asked the Board to consider allowing the students to stay for her last two years and if agreed approve a resolution that is student specific and for 2 years only. The board discussed and agreed.

Motion by Mr. Buckman, seconded by Mr. Freebern to approve the following Resolution:
RESOLVED that the Board of Education will allow Autumn Gregson-Brzozowski to remain in North Warren following the death of her father who was a resident of the district. The Board of Education will allow her to complete her high school career (grades 11 and 12) at North Warren, including any associated programs and related transportation.
If Autumn is at her stepmother’s home in North Warren with her siblings, she will be allowed to ride the bus to and from school at that address. If she stays at her mother’s house in Schroon Lake, her mother is responsible for transportation to and from North Warren.
This agreement is non-precedent setting and only for the student named above for the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school years.
Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. French reports the ventilation project is going well and the construction portion should be complete next week then it will be computer work to balance and test the system. The Elementary wing is clean and ready for students. Varsity sports begin 8/21. On 8/8 a small group will go the Word of Life to look at the premises as our off site emergency location. The Building and Grounds meeting for August 28th is cancelled.

Mr. Lail reports progressing on the year-end close out and working through the audit. The onsite inventory was completed last week. There will be an in person and virtual meeting on 8/10 to discuss Medicare Advantage plan for retirees.

Mrs. Swan would like to have an Athletic Committee meeting before school starts. Mrs. French reports will try to pull one together.

The next Board meeting will be August 28 at 5:00 PM.

Motion by Mrs. LaGuerre, seconded by Mr. Buckman to adjourn at 5:45 PM.
Motion carried unanimously.

District Clerk