

**WARREN COMMUNITY DISTRICT #205
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Thursday, December 17, 2009**

I. OPENING OF HEARING

A. Call to Order

The levy hearing of the Warren Community Unit District #205 Board of Education meeting was held in the Board Room. President Sabinson called the meeting to order at 6:27 PM.

B. Roll Call

Those present were Mullen, Riedl, Bohnsack, Wuebben and Sabinson. Also present were Karen Sirgany, Dee Dee Calow, Francis Fennell, Ed Schmidt, and Bill Kussner.

II. LEVY HEARING

A. Discussion of Levy

Levy has been on display for the past month.

III. ADJOURNMENT OF LEVY HEARING

Bohnsack made motion to adjourn the levy hearing at 6:42 PM, second by Wuebben. Roll call vote taken, all in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

IV. OPENING OF MEETING

A. Call to Order

The regular session of the Warren Community Unit District #205 Board of Education meeting was held in the Board Room. President Sabinson called the meeting to order at 6:42 PM.

B. Roll Call

Those present were Mullen, Riedl, Bohnsack, Wuebben and Sabinson. Also present were Dee Dee Calow, Francis Fennell, Karen Sirgany, Bill Kussner and Ed Schmidt. Dean Brinkmeier arrived at 6:43 PM.

V. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

Karen Sirgany added F. Audit Class under Old Business. Karen Sirgany added H. Memo of Understanding and I. First Reading of Board Policy under New Business.

Wuebben made motion to accept the agenda as amended, second by Mullen. Roll call vote taken, all in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

VI. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS AND VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENT

VII. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS

Reidl read a “Thank-you” from Gail Heidenreich for the Wreath and Stand following her operation, a “Thank-you” from the Elementary Staff for the treats provided during American Education Week and a “Thank-you” from Donna Ernst for the Gift Certificate to the Olde Hotel. There was a “Thank-you” from River Ridge for the Football Co-op with Warren High School.

VIII. WARREN EDUCATION ASSOCIATION COMMENTS

IX. BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sabinson reported on the AVC: working on same issues, i.e. Dual Credits with HCC and trying to get other districts to join the coop. There was a bomb threat there as well.

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Regular Meeting Minutes from 11/18/09**
- B. Executive Session Minutes from 11/18/09**
- C. Payment of December Bills**
- D. Treasurer’s Report**
- E. Destruction of Closed Meeting Audio Recording from 6/08/08, 6/18/08**

Riedl made motion to accept the consent agenda as presented, second by Bohnsack. Roll call vote taken, all in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

X. OLD BUSINESS

A. Building Update

Kussner reported on the following:

- 1) ARMS had multiple seam tears in the roof while Warren roofs have held up
- 2) Garage is secure, the doors are on
- 3) Snow removal went well at Warren and ARMS

B. AD Update

Brinkmeier reported on the following:

- 1) There will be a meeting for football on January 6, 2010 during home room for the kids. There will be a meeting for parents and students January 13, 2010 at 6 PM in the gym. Hopefully interest level for varsity will be good. JV looks good.
- 2) There was discussion on uniforms and equipment. Discussion will be ongoing.
- 3) 7th grade boys basketball finished with an 8-6 record this year.
- 4) 8th grade boys basketball won conference with 14-0 record. This was the first conference win in 20 years. It was noted by Fennell that the coaches did a good job.

C. Health Insurance

Bohnsack made motion to accept Blue Cross/Blue Shield with \$2500 deductible starting January 1, 2010, second by Riedl. Roll call vote taken, all in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

D. ARMS

Sirgany reported the following:

- 1) The committee met and will come up with more information.
- 2) Committee meeting with the staff on the December 23rd (SIP Day)
- 3) There will be a Community Meeting on January 13, 2010 at 7 PM in the Library.

E. ACT

There was further discussion on what the staff is doing to improve scores. The English department is making a rubric to ensure the students are given all the skills needed.

F. Class Audit

Mullen made motion to allow No Auditing of Classes, second by Bohnsack. Roll call vote taken, all in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

XII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Audit Report

Don Benning of Benning Group presented the Audit. Everything went well.

Riedl made motion to accept the audit report for the 2008-2009 school year as presented, second by Wuebben. Roll call vote taken, all in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

B. Adopt 2010-2011 Levy

Bohnsack made motion to accept the 2009 Levy as presented for the 2010-2011 school year, second by Riedl. Roll call vote taken, all in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

C. Renew Baseball/Track Coop

Mullen made motion to renew the track and baseball coops for the 2010-2011 and 2011-2012 school years, second by Riedl. Roll call vote taken, all in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

D. Dual Sports

After some discussion this item will be put on next month's agenda for further consideration. We do not have a policy that says students cannot play in dual sports.

E. FOIA Officer

On-line Training for FOIA Officer starts in January.

Mullen made motion to approve the 3 Administrators as the FOIA Officers, second by Riedl. Roll call vote taken, all in favor, none opposed. Motion carried. It was noted this information needs to be posted on Website.

F. Board Meeting Dates for 2010

Bohnsack made motion to accept the board meeting dates for 2010 as presented, second by Wuebben. Roll call vote taken, all in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

G. Board Policy Approval

Bohnsack made motion to approve the following policies: 4:120 – Food Services; 4:120-AP – Food Services; 4:130 – Free & Reduced-Price Food Services; 4:150 – Facility Management & Building Programs; 4:160 – Environmental Quality of Buildings & Grounds; 4:160-AP – Environmental Quality of Buildings & Grounds; 6:20 – School Year Calendar & Day; 6:50 – School Wellness; 6:185 – Remote Educational Program; 8:70 – Accommodating Individuals with

Disabilities, second by Wuebben. Roll call vote taken, all in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

H. Memorandum of Understanding

After much discussion, there is no need for a meeting to sign up for the Memorandum of Understanding.

I. First Policy Reading

Riedl made motion to approve the following policies: 2:200 – Types of School Board Meetings; 2:250 – Access to district Public Records; 2:250-AP1 – Access to & Copying of District Public Records; 2:250-E1 – Written Request for District Public Records; 2:250-E2 – Immediately Available Public Records; 2:250-E3 – Inspection Report for District Records (Delete); 4:110 – Transportation; 4:110-AP2 – Pre-Trip & Post-Trip Inspection; Bus Driving Comments; 5:10 – Equal Employment Opportunity & Minority Recruitment; 6:60 – Curriculum Content; 6:60-AP – Comprehensive Health Education Program; 7:10 – Equal Educational Opportunities; 7:20 – Harassment of Students Prohibited; 7:180 – Preventing Bullying, Intimidation, & Harassment, second by Bohnsack. Roll call vote taken, all in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

XIII. ADMINISTRATORS' COMMENTS

Dr. Sirgany reported on the following:

- 1) Relayed some information from Bob Bergland on current bond rates.
- 2) Concert last night was well attended and everyone did an excellent job.
- 3) Superintendents met with Jim Scacia and discussed educational concerns
- 4) FOIA memo will be sent out
- 5) Met with the Insurance Committee concerning FHN health proposal
- 6) There were 2 NW Special Education meetings this month
- 7) November 20th was Teacher In-service on Differentiated Instruction– went well
- 8) Compliance Visit – very impressed with the organization of the school.

Mr. Fennell reported on the following:

- 1) A pilot ISAT test was given to one of our hearing impaired junior high students
- 2) Kristy Leitzen gave the Explore test to 8th & the Plan test for 10th graders test
- 3) PE Dept. gave a short writing lesson to the students
- 4) English class wrote to troops over Thanksgiving; received responses back
- 5) Collecting comments from Jr./Sr. High staff concerning “Block vs Traditional” scheduling

- 6) Spec. Ed IEP's - 15 came back from the state that we are not meeting Indicator 13 in the senior high. The special education teachers are working on correcting the IEP's.
- 7) Rubrics being used in English on skills
- 8) Thank the Post Prom Committee on the very good job of running the tournament concessions.
- 9) Jr./Sr. Concert was postponed. Now being held December 22nd at 6:30 PM.

Mrs. Calow reported on the following:

- 1) 6th grade took field trip to the Freeport Art Museum on November 24th to see Egyptian Exhibit.
- 2) SIP Day was on Differentiated Instruction. ARMS teachers are getting together and working on how to implement it.
- 3) Have attended a number of IEP / Domain Meetings
- 4) Pizza with the Principal for 1st quarter included: Alison Kubat, Chase Byrne and Jessica Hintz
- 5) Lorado Taft – 6th grade overnight camp parent meeting was December 1st. Money due 1st week in January. Eight to ten students out of 33 are planning on not attending.
- 6) Letters written to the troops by the students
- 7) JoAnne Donny – AutoSkill visit was December 16th. Mrs. Calow and Evan Korth received feedback.
- 8) K-6th Winter Concert went very well. Sue Krahe had worked with the students on their behavior and it showed by how attentive the students were.

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION – For the purpose of the discussion of the appointment, employment, resignation, or dismissal of personnel, and for matters relating to individual students and discipline.

Mullen made motion to adjourn to executive session at 8:40 PM, second by Wuebben. Roll call vote taken, all in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

XV. BUSINESS CONTINUED

Bohnsack made motion to return to Regular Session at 9:22 PM, second by Reidl. Roll call vote taken, all in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

A. Resignation of Personnel

Bohnsack made motion to accept the resignation of Shirley Thompson as the Varsity Scholastic Bowl Coach for the 2009-2010 school year, second by Mullen. Roll call vote taken, all in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

B. Employment of Personnel

Bohnsack made motion to hire Lindsey Nelson as a Junior/Senior High School Special Education teacher for the remainder of the 2009-2010 school year, second by Wuebben. Roll call vote taken, all in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Riedl made motion to hire Lindsey Nelson as Varsity Scholastic Bowl Coach for the 2009-2010 school year, second by Bohnsack. Roll call vote taken, all in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

C. Student Discipline

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Wuebben made motion to adjourn at 9:30 PM, second by Riedl. Roll call vote taken, all in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.