MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
WARREN WOODS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
June 8, 2026

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Zannetti at 6:00 p.m.in the Board Room of the Administrative Service Center, 12900 Frazho Road Warren, MI.

Roll Call

Members present: Zannetti, Hiller, Nitz, Spicer, and Fitzpatrick. Absent with notice were Schulte and Garcia. Also present were Superintendent Stacey Denewith-Fici, Deputy Superintendent Neil Cassabon, Curriculum Director Michelle Voelker, Director of Facilities and Transportation Don Ball, Business Supervisor Linda Renno, Pinewood Principal Heather Brodi, Enterprise Coordinator Tim Baldwin, and Executive Assistant Diana Rende.

Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda Approval

It was moved by Fitzpatrick supported by Nitz to approve the Agenda as presented. The motion carried 5 – 0.

Minutes

It was moved by Fitzpatrick supported by Hiller to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 18, 2026 and the Closed Meeting of May 18, 2026 as presented. The motion carried 5 – 0.

Correspondence

Superintendent Denewith-Fici shared correspondence received from a parent at Enterprise High School. She noted that she, along with Enterprise Coordinator Tim Baldwin, has been actively working with both the parent and the student, and confirmed that the matter has been addressed and resolved.

Mr. Zannetti presented his letter of resignation to the Board effective July 17, 2026 mentioning that he has cherished serving the Warren Woods Public Schools Community for 17 years.

It was moved by Hiller supported by Fitzpatrick to receive and file the correspondence as presented. The motion carried 5 – 0.

Payment of the Bills

It was moved by Hiller supported by Fitzpatrick to pay the following bills as presented:

General Fund	$ 1,046,206.38
Center Programs	$ 8,812.14
Food Service Fund	$ 272,326.48

Payment of the Bills (continued)

Child Care Fund	$	5,137.76
Campus Corner	$	2,470.91
Building & Site	$	-
2020 Bond Series I	$	-
2023 Energy Bond	$	-
2025 Capitol Projects Fund	$	159,009.77

The motion carried 5 – 0.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Reports

Staff Recognition: 2025-2026 Retirees

Superintendent Denewith-Fici presented the six retirees from the Warren woods Public Schools for the 2025-2026 school year. These six staff members have a combined service of 110 years for our district. The honored retirees are Anita Carter- Food Service 19.5 years, Caryn Curcio-WWT English 26 years, Karen Haraga-Pinewood 30 years, Jackie Miracle-ASC 12 years, Mary Robert-Physical Therapy 8 years, Stacy Santamaria-Briarwood/ECC 14.5 years.

Mr. Zannetti expressed appreciation on behalf of the Board for the dedicated service of these staff members to the WWPS District. He noted how valued and special they are to the organization and shared that while their departure is sad it is also exciting and well deserved for them.

Energy Bond Savings Update

Deputy Superintendent Neil Cassabon began the update with a review of energy usage, comparing current data to the established baseline of April 2022 through March 2023. He reported that the district is currently meeting its targeted goals. However, he noted that additional progress is anticipated, and the guaranteed savings targets will not take full effect until construction is complete.

Mr. Cassabon also shared that the district has received approximately $147,000 in energy rebates to date, with additional rebates still pending for several projects, including solar panel installations and roofing upgrades.

Mr. Zannetti inquired about the amount associated with the federal rebate guarantee, to which Mr. Cassabon responded that it is approximately $750,000.

New Business (continued)

Mr. Zannetti further asked who would be responsible for monitoring and ensuring the district receives these funds. Mr. Cassabon clarified that the district's consultant will oversee and track the rebate process**.**

Vendor Award: Bread 2026-2027

Deputy Superintendent Cassabon on behalf of Food Services Director John Estrada shared quotes from three companies for the bread vendor for the upcoming school year. It is recommended that WWPS move forward with Great Lakes Baking Company for the 2026-2027 school year.

Mr. Zannetti thanks Mr. Estrada for composing such a thorough report.

It was moved by Fitzpatrick supported by Nitz, to approve and accept the **Vendor Award: Bread 2026-2027 to Great Lakes Baking Company.** Motion carried 5-0.

Rental Rates 2026-2027

Deputy Superintendent Neil Cassabon presented the recommended increases to rental rates. He explained that the proposed adjustments are intended to keep the district competitive with surrounding areas while also helping to offset rising costs associated with facility improvements, supplies, and custodial services.

Mr. Fitzpatrick commented that the proposed rate increases do not appear excessive.

Mr. Zannetti concurred with Mr. Fitzpatrick, noting that the rates seemed reasonable.

It was moved by Nitz supported by Fitzpatrick, to approve and accept the **Rental Rates 2026-2027**. Motion carried 5-0.

Change Order: Summer 2026

Mr. Cassabon presented two small changes to the upcoming construction work for Summer 2026. The original quote for the Turf field at WWT included the electrical connections for six connection boxes placed along the field. An error by the construction manager in the bid excluded the addition of the actual boxes needed to hold the electrical components.

The second adjustment is an ADA door at the WWMS Auditorium entrance. Due to the specification of the awning and the entrance modifications needed to be made. This change will allow for a less heavy duty and with out major modification door to be added with a card reader.

Mr. Fitzpatrick inquired if this door will also have a push button of which Mr. Cassabon responded that it will have one.

It was moved by Fitzpatrick supported by Hiller, to approve and accept the **Change Order: Summer 2026**. Motion carried 5-0.

New Business (continued)

Resolution:MHSAA Membership Renewal

Superintendent Denewith-Fici presented the Warren Woods Tower and Enterprise High School annual renewal for MHSAA sports. She explained this is a typical renewal stating that we will abide by their rules for sports in the state of Michigan.

It was moved by Fitzpatrick supported by Nitz to approve the **Resolution: MHSAA Membership Renewal** as presented. **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Schulte____,-Zannetti ___✓___ , Fitzpatrick ___✓___, Hiller___✓___, Garcia_____,

Spicer___✓___Nitz___✓___. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried 5-0

Leaves:

As presented

It was moved by Fitzpatrick supported by Hiller to approve the **Leaves** as presented. The motion carried 5 – 0.

New Hires:

Sarah Crawford – Kitchen Helper – date of hire 2026/2027.

Christine LeBlanc – Substitute Kitchen Helper – date of hire 5/18/26.

Amanie Obaid – Substitute Teacher - date of hire 2026/2027.

Syeda Yasmin – Kitchen Helper – date of hire 2026/2027.

Mr. Fitzpatrick inquired if this makes the kitchens fully staffed. Mr. Cassabon answered that we are still short one employee.

It was moved by Fitzpatrick supported by Nitz to approve the **New Hires** as presented. The motion carried 5 – 0.

Public Expression

Superintendent Denewith-Fici announced that tomorrow Tuesday June 9th is the last day of school. Due to all of our schools having a half day a notice was sent out to parents stating that busses may run 10 minutes late.

Adjournment

It was moved by Hiller supported by Nitz to adjourn the meeting at 6:27 PM. The motion carried 5 – 0.

Respectfully submitted,
Scott Hiller
Secretary