

**WARREN CITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING, TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2024
6:00 P.M.**

Administration Building, Harriet T. Upton Room
with Live Stream available at warrencityschools.org
105 High Street NE
Warren, Ohio

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Walker, Board President, called the Organizational Meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. All present saluted the flag.

OATH OF OFFICE FOR NEWLY APPOINTED BOARD MEMBER

The Honorable Judge, James A. Fredericka administered the Oath of Office to Newly Elected Board Member Dr. Alisha Alls and Re-elected Board Members Patrick Flanagan, Patricia Limperos and Julian Walker.

ROLL CALL

The following Board Members answered to roll call: Dr. Alls, Mr. Flanagan, Mrs. Limperos, Mrs. Patterson and Mr. Walker.

DESIGNATE TEMPORARY CHAIRSPERSON

Mr. Walker designated Patrick Flanagan as Temporary Chairperson.

**MOTION NO. 01-2024-01 - NOMINATIONS FOR PRESIDENT OF THE
BOARD FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024**

Temporary Chairperson, Mr. Flanagan recommended the resolution listed below opening the meeting to nominations for the Office of President of the Warren City School District Board of Education for calendar year 2024 be approved as submitted.

WHEREAS, statutes require Board Members to elect one Member of the Board to serve as President.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Temporary Chairperson, I declare that nominations for the Office of President of the Warren City School District Board of Education for calendar year 2024 are now in order:

Mr. Walker nominated Patricia Limperos.

Vote to close nominations for the Office of President of the Board for calendar year 2024.

The Temporary Chairperson called for a vote.

Yes: Mr. Walker, Mrs. Patterson, Dr. Alls, Mr. Flanagan, and Mrs. Limperos.

No: None.

The Temporary Chairperson declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2024-02 -

VOTE/ELECTION OF PRESIDENT OF THE
BOARD FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024

Temporary Chairperson, Mr. Flanagan recommended the resolution listed below to elect a President of the Warren City School District Board of Education for calendar year 2024 be approved as submitted.

WHEREAS, Patricia Limperos has/have been duly nominated to serve as President of the Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Temporary Chairperson, I call for a vote to elect a President of the Warren City School District Board of Education for calendar year 2024:

Nominee: Patricia Limperos

	Vote: Yes	Vote: No
Dr. Alisha Alls	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Patrick Flanagan	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Patricia Limperos	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Regina Patterson	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Julian Walker	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>

The Temporary Chairperson called for a vote.
Yes: Dr. Alls, Mr. Flanagan, Mrs. Patterson, Mr. Walker and Mrs. Limperos.
No: None.
The Temporary Chairperson declared the motion carried.

Mrs. Limperos assumed the duties as 2024 President of the Warren City Board of Education.

MOTION NO. 01-2024-03 -

NOMINATIONS FOR VICE PRESIDENT OF THE
BOARD FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024

Mrs. Limperos recommended the resolution listed below opening the meeting to nominations for the Office of Vice President of the Warren City School District Board of Education for calendar year 2024 be approved as submitted.

WHEREAS, statutes require Board Members to elect one Member of the Board to serve as Vice President.

NOW, THEREFORE, as President, I declare that nominations for the Office of Vice President of the Warren City School District Board of Education for calendar year 2024 are now in order:

Mr. Flanagan nominated Regina Patterson.

Vote to close nominations for the Office of Vice President of the Board for calendar year 2024.

The President called for a vote.
Yes: Mr. Flanagan, Mr. Walker, Dr. Alls, Mrs. Patterson and Mrs. Limperos.
No: None.
The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2024-04 - VOTE/ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024

Mrs. Limperos recommended the resolution listed below to elect a Vice President of the Warren City School District Board of Education for calendar year 2024 be approved as submitted.

WHEREAS, Regina Patterson has been duly nominated to serve as Vice President of the Board.
NOW, THEREFORE, as President, I call for a vote to elect a Vice President of the Warren City School District Board of Education for calendar year 2024:

	Nominee: Regina Patterson	
	Vote: Yes	Vote: No
Dr. Alisha Alls	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Patrick Flanagan	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Patricia Limperos	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Regina Patterson	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
<u> </u> Julian Walker	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>

The President called for a vote.
Yes: Dr. Alls, Mr. Flanagan, Mrs. Patterson, Mr. Walker and Mrs. Limperos
No: None.
The President declared the motion carried.

Mrs. Patterson assumed the duties as 2024 Vice President of the Warren City Board of Education.

MOTION NO. 01-2024-05 - ESTABLISHMENT OF TIMES, DATES, AND LOCATION FOR REGULAR MEETINGS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024

Dr. Alls moved and Mrs. Patterson seconded the resolution listed below establishing board meeting times, dates, and location for calendar year 2024 be approved as submitted in (Exhibit 24-01).

WHEREAS, the Warren City School District Board of Education is required to establish the times, dates, and locations of its regular board meetings at the January Organizational Meeting; and

WHEREAS, changes may be made or additional meetings called if determined necessary, in addition to special meetings as provided for in ORC 3313.16 and governed by ORC 121.22.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, under the provisions of ORC 3313.15, the Warren City School District Board of Education shall hold its calendar year 2024 regular meetings as specified in the Exhibit.

The President called for a vote.

Yes: Dr. Alls, Mrs. Patterson, Mr. Flanagan, Mr. Walker and Mrs. Limperos.

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2024-06 - DETERMINE BOARD COMMITTEE
APPOINTMENTS FOR CALENDAR
YEAR 2024

Mrs. Patterson moved and Mr. Flanagan seconded the resolution listed below regarding Board Committee Appointments for calendar year 2024 be approved as submitted.

WHEREAS, to enhance efficient board, the Board Members are appointed by the Board President to serve on standing committees; and

WHEREAS, the term of such appointment is one year or until December 31, whichever occurs first, except for TCTC Board Representation which is a three year appointment, concluding December 31, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following Board Members are appointed to the standing committees as stated:

Athletics:	Mr. Walker and Mrs. Limperos
Financial Advisory:	Mr. Flanagan and Dr. Alls
Board Policies and: Guidelines:	Mr. Flanagan Mrs. Patterson
Legislative Liaison:	Mrs. Limperos and Dr. Alls
TCTC Board Representative:	Mrs. Patterson

FURTHERMORE, from time to time, Board Members shall be called upon to make reports to the Board as a whole and public in regard to such standing committees' work; and

FINALLY, the Members of the Board are reminded, under the provisions of ORC 121.22, that Members of the Board are prohibited from making any decisions obligating the Board, as a whole or with public funds when acting outside a Regular or Special Board Meeting.

The President called for a vote.

Yes: Mrs. Patterson, Mr. Flanagan, Dr. Alls, Mr. Walker and Mrs. Limperos.

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2024-07 -

ANNUAL RECORDS COMMISSION MEETING

Mr. Flanagan moved and Mr. Walker seconded the resolution listed below scheduling the Annual Records Commission Meeting for Tuesday, January 30, 2024 be approved as submitted.

WHEREAS, each city, local, and exempted village board of education is required to hold an records commission meeting annually; and

WHEREAS, the annual records commission meeting is open to the public.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Warren City Board of Education shall hold its Annual Records Commission Meeting as indicated below:

Date: Tuesday, January 30, 2024

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Location: Superintendent's Conference Room
Administration Building
105 High Street NE
Warren, OH

The President called for a vote.

Yes: Mr. Flanagan, Mr. Walker, Dr. Alls, Mrs. Patterson and Mrs. Limperos.

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2024-08 -

OHIO SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION
MEMBERSHIP

Mr. Walker moved and Mrs. Patterson seconded the resolution listed below authorizing membership in the Ohio School Boards Association for the period January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024, be approved as submitted.

WHEREAS, membership in a school boards' association provides the Members of the Warren City Board of Education beneficial information and training on policy-setting, decision-making, curriculum, legislative concerns, and many other relevant topics and issues.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, under the provisions of ORC 3313.87, the Warren City Board of Education hereby authorizes membership in the Ohio School Boards Association for the period January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024, with annual dues to be paid from the General Fund.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Treasurer shall notify the Ohio School Boards Association of the resolution; furnish the home address of each Board Member to the Association and other information as required.

The President called for a vote.

Yes: Mr. Walker, Mrs. Patterson, Dr. Alls, Mr. Flanagan and Mrs. Limperos.

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2024-09 -

OHIO SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND BUSINESS
MEETING

Dr. Alls moved and Mr. Flanagan seconded the resolution listed below appointing a Delegate and Alternate to the Ohio School Boards Association's Annual Conference and Business Meeting be approved as submitted.

WHEREAS, the Ohio School Boards Association's Annual Conference and Business Meeting will be held November 10-12, 2024, in Columbus; and

WHEREAS, each OSBA member board may appoint one Board Member as the official Delegate and one Member as the Alternate to attend the Annual Business Meeting with authority to vote.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following Board Members are hereby appointed as Delegate and Alternate to attend the OSBA Annual Conference and Business Meeting:

Delegate: Mrs. Limperos

Alternate: Dr. Alls

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, under provisions of ORC 3315.15, the Board Members shall be reimbursed for expenses incurred while representing the Board.

The President called for a vote.

Yes: Dr. Alls, Mr. Flanagan, Mrs. Patterson, Mr. Walker and Mrs. Limperos.

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2023-10 -

WARREN CITY SCHOOLS' ATHLETIC COUNCIL
MEETINGS 2024

Mrs. Patterson moved and Dr. Alls seconded the resolution listed below establishing meetings for the Warren City Schools' Athletic Council Meetings for the 2024 calendar year be approved as submitted.

WHEREAS, that the following meeting dates, time, and location of the meetings of this council are established for the 2024 calendar year and are hereby posted for public information.

Location: All meetings are scheduled to be held in the Warren G. Harding High School Principal's Conference Room of Warren G. Harding High School Building at 860 Elm Road NE, Warren, Ohio or via Zoom.

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Time</u>
January 18, 2024	5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
February 8, 2024	5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
March 14, 2024	5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
April 18, 2024	5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.

May 16, 2024	5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
June 20, 2024	5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
July 18, 2024	5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
August 15, 2024	5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
September 19, 2024	5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
October 17, 2024	5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
November 21, 2024	5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
December 12, 2024	5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.

The President called for a vote.

Yes: Mrs. Patterson, Dr. Alls, Mr. Flanagan, Mr. Walker and Mrs. Limperos.

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2024-11 - RETAIN LEGAL SERVICES

Mr. Flanagan moved and Dr. Alls seconded the resolution listed below to retain legal services be approved as submitted.

WHEREAS, specialized legal services are necessary from time to time for the management, control, defense, or other purposes of the school district's schools, employees, and assets; and

WHEREAS, statutes and the Board's discretionary powers, permit employment or retention of temporary, as needed, on-call, on-demand legal counsel in addition to the counsel appointed by statute.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, under the provisions of ORC 3313.203, 3317.171, and 3313.47, the legal services herein named are retained on an as-needed, on-demand, on-call basis to assist with the management, control, and defense of this school district and its employees and Board Members; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the fees and costs for such services shall be at the usual and customary rates for the professional services rendered upon receipt of an itemized statement by the Treasurer; and

ENIS BRITTON Co., L.P.A.
600 Lombardo Center
Suite 120
Cleveland, OH 44131

HARRINGTON, HOPPE and MITCHELL, LTD.
26 Market Street, Suite 1200
P.O. Box 6077
Youngstown, OH 44501

MANCHESTER, NEWMAN & BENNETT
201 East Commerce Street
Youngstown, OH 44503

ROETZEL & ANDRESS
41 South High Street

Huntington Center, 21st Floor
Columbus, OH 43215

SQUIRE, PATTON, & BOGGS
4900 Key Tower
127 Public Square
Cleveland, OH 44114-1304

Said legal firms to be retained for negotiations, personnel concerns/litigations, financial (elections, bonds, etc.), or as may be requested in other matters.

The President called for a vote.

Yes: Mr. Flanagan, Dr. Alls, Mrs. Patterson, Mr. Walker and Mrs. Limperos.

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2024-12 - OSBA LEGAL ASSISTANCE FUND

Mr. Walker moved and Mr. Flanagan seconded the resolution listed below joining the OSBA Legal Assistance Fund for the period January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024, be approved as submitted.

WHEREAS, the Warren City Board of Education wishes to support the efforts of other boards of education to obtain favorable judicial decisions; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio School Boards Association Legal Assistance Fund has been established for this purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren City Board of Education participate in the OSBA Legal Assistance Fund and direct the Treasurer to pay the LAF dues for the period January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024.

The President called for a vote.

Yes: Mr. Walker, Mr. Flanagan, Dr. Alls, Mrs. Patterson and Mrs. Limperos.

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2024-13 - AUTHORIZATION TO EMPLOY
TEMPORARY PERSONNEL

Dr. Alls moved and Mrs. Patterson seconded the resolution listed below authorizing the temporary employment of personnel be approved as submitted.

WHEREAS, it may become necessary to employ temporary personnel for emergency or unexpected situations on a short-term, casual, per diem/hourly basis; and

WHEREAS, it may be inefficient to call a special board meeting to employ such persons and/or not in the best interests of the District to wait until such time that the Board might meet.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Superintendent is hereby authorized to employ such temporary certificated and non-certificated personnel as needed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent shall present such employment recommendations to the Board at the next regular meeting for formal action.

The President called for a vote.

Yes: Dr. Alls, Mrs. Patterson, Mr. Flanagan, Mr. Walker and Mrs. Limperos.

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2024-14 - AUTHORIZATION TO FUND SIGNATURES

Mrs. Patterson moved and Mr. Walker seconded the resolution listed below regarding authorization to fund signatures be approved as submitted.

BE IT RESOLVED that the President or Vice President, together with the Treasurer, be authorized to sign required disbursements of District funds. Payroll clearing account checks require only the signature of the Treasurer.

The President called for a vote.

Yes: Mrs. Patterson, Mr. Walker, Dr. Alls, Mr. Flanagan and Mrs. Limperos.

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2024-15 - PAYMENT OF BILLS

Mr. Flanagan moved and Mrs. Patterson seconded the resolution listed below regarding payment of bills be approved as submitted.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer be authorized to pay all bills within the limits of the Appropriations Resolution as bills are received and when the merchandise has been received in good condition.

The President called for a vote.

Yes: Mr. Flanagan, Mrs. Patterson, Dr. Alls, Mr. Walker and Mrs. Limperos.

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2024-16 - EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mrs. Patterson moved and Mr. Walker seconded that, under the provisions of ORC 121.22, the Warren City Board of Education recess into Executive Session at 6:27 p.m. to discuss Consideration of Appointment, Employment, Promotion, etc. of Public Employees and Matters Required to be Kept Confidential by State or Federal Law.

The President called for a vote.

Yes: Mrs. Patterson, Mr. Walker, Dr. Alls, Mr. Flanagan and Mrs. Limperos.

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

At 7:08 p.m. the meeting was reconvened from Executive Session at which time it was reported that Consideration of Appointment, Employment, Promotion, etc. of Public Employees and Consideration of the Purchase of Property for Public Purposes or Sale of Property at Competitive Bidding were discussed.

All Board Members in attendance were present when meeting reconvened.

MOTION NO. 01-2024-17 - ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Walker moved and Dr. Alls seconded that, at 7:08 p.m. the Warren City Board of Education's Organizational Meeting be adjourned.

The President called for a vote.
Yes: Mr. Walker, Dr. Alls, Mr. Flanagan, Mrs. Patterson, and Mrs. Limperos.
No: None.
The President declared the motion carried.

President

Treasurer

Date

In addition to the record of the proceedings set forth in these minutes, an audio tape recording of the entire meeting was made and will be maintained in the Treasurer's Office of the Warren City School District. Said recording may not be kept in perpetuity but may be destroyed in accordance with the Warren City Board of Education's Records Retention Schedule, which has been approved by the Auditor of State's Office and the Ohio Historical Society