

**WARREN CITY SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING, TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2021  
6:00 P.M.  
WSCN, Via Zoom  
with Live Stream available at warrencityschools.org  
860 Elm Rd NE  
Warren, Ohio**

CALL TO ORDER

Mrs. Limperos, Board President, called the Organizational Meeting to order at 6:02 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 Appointed Board Member Jacqueline Shannon.

ROLL CALL

The following Board Members answered to roll call: Mr. Fowley, Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Shannon, Mr. Walker and Mrs. Limperos.

DESIGNATE TEMPORARY CHAIRSPERSON

Mrs. Limperos designated Mr. John Fowley as Temporary Chairperson.

MOTION NO. 01-2021-05 - NOMINATIONS FOR PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2021

Temporary Chairperson, Mr. Fowley recommended the resolution listed below opening the meeting to nominations for the Office of President of the Warren City Board of Education for calendar year 2021 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 Board of Education for calendar year 2021 are now in order:

Mrs. Patterson nominated Patricia Limperos.

Vote to close nominations for the Office of President of the Board for calendar year 2021.

The Temporary Chairperson called for a vote.

Yes: Mrs. Patterson, Mr. Walker, Mr. Fowley, Mrs. Shannon and Mrs. Limperos.

No: None.

The Temporary Chairperson declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2021-06 - VOTE/ELECTION OF PRESIDENT OF THE

BOARD FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2021

Temporary Chairperson, Mr. Fowley recommended the resolution listed below to elect a President of the Warren City School District Board of Education for calendar year 2021 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 2021:

Nominee: Patricia Limperos

	Vote: Yes	Vote: No
John E. Fowley	<u>  X  </u>	_____
Patricia Limperos	<u>  X  </u>	_____
Regina Patterson	<u>  X  </u>	_____
Jacqueline Shannon	<u>  X  </u>	_____
Julian Walker	<u>  X  </u>	_____

The Temporary Chairperson called for a vote.

Yes: Mr. Fowley, Mrs. Limperos, Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Shannon and Mr. Walker.

No: None.

The Temporary Chairperson declared the motion carried.

*Mrs. Limperos assumed the duties as 2021 President of the Warren City Board of Education.*

MOTION NO. 01-2021-07 - NOMINATIONS FOR VICE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2021

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 2021 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 2021 are now in order:

Mr. Fowley nominated Regina Patterson.

Vote to close nominations for the Office of Vice President of the Board for calendar year 2021.

The President called for a vote.

Yes: Mr. Fowley, Mr. Walker, Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Shannon and Mrs. Limperos.

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2021-08 - VOTE/ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2021

Mrs. Limperos recommended the resolution listed below to elect a Vice President of the Warren City School District Board of Education for calendar year 2021 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 2021:

Nominee: Regina Patterson

	Vote: Yes	Vote: No
John E. Fowley	_____x_____	_____
Patricia Limperos	_____x_____	_____
Regina Patterson	_____x_____	_____
Jacqueline Shannon	_____x_____	_____
Julian Walker	_____x_____	_____

The President called for a vote.

Yes: Mr. Fowley, Mrs. Limperos, Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Shannon and Mr. Walker.

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

*Mrs. Patterson assumed the duties as 2021 Vice President of the Warren City Board of Education.*

MOTION NO. 01-2021-09 - ESTABLISHMENT OF TIMES, DATES, AND LOCATION FOR REGULAR MEETINGS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2021

Mr. Fowley moved and Mrs. Patterson seconded the resolution listed below establishing board meeting times, dates, and location for calendar year 2021 be approved as submitted in (Exhibit 21-01).

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 2021 regular meetings as specified in the Exhibit (Exhibit 21-01).

The President called for a vote.

Yes: Mr. Fowley, Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Shannon, Mr. Walker and Mrs. Limperos.

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2021-10 - DETERMINE BOARD COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2021

Mrs. Limperos moved and Mr. Fowley seconded the resolution listed below regarding Board Committee Appointments for calendar year 2021 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.

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

- Athletics: Patricia Limperos and Julian Walker
- Financial Advisory: John Fowley and Jacqueline Shannon
- Board Policies and Guidelines: Regina Patterson and Julian Walker
- Legislative Liaison: Patricia Limperos and Regina Patterson
- TCTC Board Representative: Robert L. Faulkner Sr.

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. Limperos, Mr. Fowley, Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Shannon and Mr. Walker.

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2021-11 - 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, 2021, through December 31, 2021, 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, 2021, through December 31, 2021, 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, Mr. Fowley, Mrs. Shannon, and Mrs. Limperos.

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2021-12 - OHIO SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION  
ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND BUSINESS  
MEETING

Mrs. Patterson moved and Mr. Walker 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 6-9, 2021, 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: Julian Walker

Alternate: Jacqueline Shannon

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: Mrs. Patterson, Mr. Walker, Mr. Fowley, Mrs. Shannon and Mrs. Limperos.

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2021-13 - RETAIN LEGAL SERVICES

Mrs. Shannon moved and Mrs. Patterson Walker 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  
144 N. Park Avenue  
Warren, OH 44483

ROETZEL & ANDRESS  
41 South High Street  
Huntington Center, 21<sup>st</sup> 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: Mrs. Shannon, Mrs. Patterson, Mr. Fowley, Mr. Walker and Mrs. Limperos.

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2021-14 - OSBA LEGAL ASSISTANCE FUND

Mr. Fowley moved and Mr. Walker seconded the resolution listed below joining the OSBA Legal Assistance Fund for the period January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021, 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, 2021, through December 31, 2021.

The President called for a vote.

Yes: Mr. Fowley, Mr. Walker, Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Shannon and Mrs. Limperos.

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2021-15 - AUTHORIZATION TO EMPLOY  
TEMPORARY PERSONNEL

Mr. Walker 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: Mr. Walker, Mrs. Patterson, Mr. Fowley, Mrs. Shannon and Mrs. Limperos.

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2021-16 - AUTHORIZATION TO FUND SIGNATURES

Mrs. Patterson moved and Mrs. Shannon 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, Mrs. Shannon, Mr. Fowley, Mr. Walker and Mrs. Limperos.

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2021-17 - PAYMENT OF BILLS

Mrs. Shannon moved and Mr. Fowley 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: Mrs. Shannon, Mr. Fowley, Mrs. Patterson, Mr. Walker and Mrs. Limperos.

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2021-18 - ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Patterson moved and Mr. Fowley seconded that, at 6:27 p.m. the Warren City Board of Education's Organizational Meeting be adjourned.

The President called for a vote.

Yes: Mrs. Patterson, Mr. Fowley, Mrs. Shannon, Mr. Walker and Mrs. Limperos.

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

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President

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Treasurer

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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