

**WARREN CITY SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING, TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2023  
6:00 P.M.**

Warren G. Harding High School, Cafetorium  
with Live Stream available at warrencityschools.org  
860 Elm Rd NE  
Warren, Ohio

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Fowley, Board President, called the Organizational Meeting to order at 6:00 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 Patrick Flanagan.

ROLL CALL

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

DESIGNATE TEMPORARY CHAIRSPERSON

Mr. Fowley designated Mrs. Regina Patterson as Temporary Chairperson.

MOTION NO. 01-2023-01 - NOMINATIONS FOR PRESIDENT OF THE  
BOARD FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023

Temporary Chairperson, Mrs. Patterson 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 2023 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 2023 are now in order:

Mr. Fowley nominated Mr. Julian Walker.

Vote to close nominations for the Office of President of the Board for calendar year 2023.

The Temporary Chairperson called for a vote.

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

No: None.

The Temporary Chairperson declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2023-02 -

VOTE/ELECTION OF PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023

Temporary Chairperson, Mrs. Patterson recommended the resolution listed below to elect a President of the Warren City School District Board of Education for calendar year 2023 be approved as submitted.

WHEREAS, Julian Walker 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 2023:

Nominee: Julian Walker

	Vote: Yes	Vote: No
Patrick Flanagan	<u>  x  </u>	_____
John E. Fowley	<u>  x  </u>	_____
Patricia Limperos	<u>  x  </u>	_____
Regina Patterson	<u>  x  </u>	_____
Julian Walker	<u>  x  </u>	_____

The Temporary Chairperson called for a vote.

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

No: None.

The Temporary Chairperson declared the motion carried.

*Mr. Walker assumed the duties as 2023 President of the Warren City Board of Education.*

MOTION NO. 01-2023-03 -

NOMINATIONS FOR VICE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023

Mr. Walker 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 2023 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 2023 are now in order:

Mrs. Patterson nominated Patricia Limperos.

Vote to close nominations for the Office of Vice President of the Board for calendar year 2023.

The President called for a vote.

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

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2023-04 - VOTE/ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023

Mr. Walker recommended the resolution listed below to elect a Vice President of the Warren City School District Board of Education for calendar year 2023 be approved as submitted.

WHEREAS, Patricia Limperos 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 2023:

Nominee: Patricia Limperos

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

The President called for a vote.

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

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

*Mrs. Limperos assumed the duties as 2023 Vice President of the Warren City Board of Education.*

MOTION NO. 01-2023-05 - ESTABLISHMENT OF TIMES, DATES, AND LOCATION FOR REGULAR MEETINGS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023

Mrs. Limperos moved and Mrs. Patterson seconded the resolution listed below establishing board meeting times, dates, and location for calendar year 2023 be approved as submitted in (Exhibit 23-01).

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 2023 regular meetings as specified in the Exhibit.

The President called for a vote.

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

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2023-06 - DETERMINE BOARD COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023

Mrs. Patterson moved and Mrs. Limperos seconded the resolution listed below regarding Board Committee Appointments for calendar year 2023 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:	Mrs. Limperos and Mr. Walker
Financial Advisory:	Mr. Flanagan and Mr. Fowley
Board Policies and Guidelines:	Mr. Flanagan and Mrs. Patterson
Legislative Liaison:	Mr. Fowley and Mrs. Limperos
Student Achievement Liaison:	N/A
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, Mrs. Limperos, Mr. Flanagan, Mr. Fowley and Mr. Walker.

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2023-07 -

OHIO SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION  
MEMBERSHIP

Mr. Fowley moved and Mrs. Patterson seconded the resolution listed below authorizing membership in the Ohio School Boards Association for the period January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023, 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, 2023, through December 31, 2023, 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. Fowley, Mrs. Patterson, Mr. Flanagan, Mrs. Limperos and Mr. Walker.

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2023-08 -

OHIO SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION  
ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND BUSINESS  
MEETING

Mr. Flanagan moved and Mrs. Limperos 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 13-15, 2023, 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: Mr. Fowley

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

No: None.  
The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2023-09 - WARREN CITY SCHOOLS' ATHLETIC COUNCIL MEETINGS 2023

Mrs. Limperos moved and Mr. Flanagan seconded the resolution listed below establishing meetings for the Warren City Schools' Athletic Council Meetings for the 2023 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 2023 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 19, 2023	5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
February 23, 2023	5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
March 16, 2023	5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
April 20, 2023	5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
May 18, 2023	5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
June 15, 2023	5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
July 20, 2023	5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
August 17, 2023	5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
September 21, 2023	5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
October 19, 2023	5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
November 16, 2023	5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
December 14, 2023	5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.

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

MOTION NO. 01-2023-10 - RETAIN LEGAL SERVICES

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

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2023-11 - OSBA LEGAL ASSISTANCE FUND

Mr. Fowley moved and Mrs. Patterson seconded the resolution listed below joining the OSBA Legal Assistance Fund for the period January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023, 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, 2023, through December 31, 2023.

The President called for a vote.

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

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2023-12 - AUTHORIZATION TO EMPLOY  
TEMPORARY PERSONNEL

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

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2023-13 - AUTHORIZATION TO FUND SIGNATURES

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

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2023-14 - PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

No: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

MOTION NO. 01-2023-15 - ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Limperos moved and Mrs. Patterson seconded that, at 6:22 p.m. the Warren City Board of Education's Organizational Meeting be adjourned.

The President called for a vote.

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

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