

WARREN COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION
1500 ROUTE 57 ~ WASHINGTON, NJ 07882
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
June 17, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

President Austin will call the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m. on Wednesday, June 17, 2026, via Zoom.

Flag Salute – Dr. Lori Austin

Opening Statement – President Austin

Pursuant to the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq, the Board Secretary caused notice of this meeting to be given to the public on November 7, 2025.

Roll Call – Board Secretary Williams

X Dr. Austin
Absent Dr. Lamonte
X Mr. McDonough
X Dr. Mlecz

Adopt the Meeting Agenda

Resolution 16356-26: Adopt the Meeting Agenda

On the motion of Mr. McDonough, seconded by Dr. Mlecz, RESOLVED, that this Board adopts the Meeting Agenda for the June 17, 2026, meeting as published with any addenda.

VOICE VOTE: Yeas: 3 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 1

Motion Carried: Yes

Resolution E771-26: Personnel, Negotiations, and Legal Matters

On the motion of Mr. McDonough, seconded by Dr. Mlecz, the Board moved into executive session at 5:09 p.m. by adopting the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Warren County Technical School, as follows:

- A. The public is excluded from attendance at a portion of this meeting for the reason that the following subject matter is discussed:
 - Personnel
 - Facilities
- B. The Board may exclude the public from the meeting pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, B3 & B8 of the Open Public Meetings Act.
- C. The matters discussed will be revealed to the public when the Board determines that such would not invade any right to privacy.
- D. Action may be taken.

VOICE VOTE: Yeas: 3 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 1

Motion Carried: Yes

Resolution E772-26: Resume Regular Session

On the motion of Mr. McDonough, seconded by Dr. Mlecz, the Board moved into executive session at 5:17 p.m.

VOICE VOTE: Yeas: 3 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 1

Motion Carried: Yes

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Discussion

- **PUBLIC COMMENTS** - Related to Agenda Items Only
- **COMMUNICATIONS**
- **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**
- **HIB REPORT/SUSPENSIONS**
 - Zero (0) HIB since the previous Board Meeting
 - Zero (0) Out-of-School Suspension since the previous Board Meeting
 - Three (3) In-School Suspensions since the previous Board Meeting
- **BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT**
- **STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE**
- **DISCUSS EDUCATIONAL TOPICS**
- **NEW BUSINESS**

MINUTES

Resolution 16357-26: Approve Board Meeting Minutes Listed Below

On the motion of Mr. McDonough, seconded by Dr. Mlecz, RESOLVED, that this Board approves the following resolutions as listed below:

Resolution 16358-26: Approve May 20, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes

Resolution 16359-26: Approve May 20, 2026, Regular Meeting Executive Session Minutes

VOICE VOTE: Yeas: 3 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 1

Motion Carried: Yes

Resolution 16358-26: Approve May 20, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes

On the motion of _____, seconded by _____, RESOLVED, that this Board approves the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 20, 2026.

Resolution 16359-26: Approve May 20, 2026, Regular Meeting Executive Session Minutes

On the motion of _____, seconded by _____, RESOLVED, that this Board approves the Regular Meeting Executive Session Minutes of May 20, 2026.

FINANCE & FACILITIES

Resolution 16360-26: Approve Finance & Facilities Resolutions as Listed Below

On the motion of Dr. Mlecz, seconded by Mr. McDonough, RESOLVED, that this Board approves the following finance and facilities resolutions as listed below:

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<u>Resolution 16361-26:</u>	Receive, Accept, and Approve May 2026 Financial Reports
<u>Resolution 16362-26:</u>	Board of Education's Monthly Certification of Major Account/Fund Status
<u>Resolution 16363-26:</u>	Approve Payment of Bills for May 2026
<u>Resolution 16364-26:</u>	Approve Transfers for May 2026
<u>Resolution 16365-22:</u>	Approve the Agreement Between Warren County Technical School and The Warren Technical Education Association for July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030
<u>Resolution 16366-26:</u>	Approve the Transfer of Current Year Surplus to the Capital Reserve Account
<u>Resolution 16367-26:</u>	Approve the Transfer of Current Year Surplus to the Maintenance Account
<u>Resolution 16368-26:</u>	Approve Application for Perkins Post-Secondary State Funds for \$78,783
<u>Resolution 16369-26:</u>	Approve Application for Perkins Secondary State Funds for \$64,739 and Reserve Funds of \$15,249

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Motion Carried: Yes

Austin X Lamonte Absent McDonough X Mlecz X

Resolution 16361-26: **Receive, Accept, and Approve May 2026 Financial Reports**
On the motion of _____, seconded by _____, RESOLVED, that the May 2026 financial reports of the Secretary and Treasurer be received, accepted, and approved.

Exhibit: F1

Resolution 16362-26: **Board of Education's Monthly Certification of Major Account/Fund Status**
On the motion of _____, seconded by _____, RESOLVED, that the following Board of Education's Monthly Certification of Budgetary Major Account/Fund Status be approved: (1) Board of Education's Monthly Certification and (2) Budgetary Major Account/Fund Status Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c) 3&4, we certify that June 2026, after review of the secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials that to the best of our knowledge, no major account or fund has been over-expend. The District Board of Education has implemented adequate controls to prevent the over-expenditure of any funds or yearly deficit in major accounts in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c) 3&4.

Resolution 16363-26: **Approve Payment of Bills for May 2026**
On the motion of _____, seconded by _____, RESOLVED, that this Board approves the payment of bills as shown on the attached Bills List for May, 2026, in the amount of \$1,279,725.78.

Exhibit: F2

Resolution 16364-26: **Approve Transfers for May 2026**
On the motion of _____, seconded by _____, RESOLVED, that this Board approves transfers for May 2026.

Exhibit: F3

Resolution 16365-26: **Approve the Agreement Between Warren County Technical School and The Warren Technical Education Association for July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030**
On the motion of _____, seconded by _____, RESOLVED, that this Board approves the agreement between the Warren County Technical School and the Warren Technical Education Association for July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030.

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Resolution 16366-26: **Approve the Transfer of Current Year Surplus to the Capital Reserve Account**

On the motion of _____, seconded by _____, RESOLVED, that this Board approves the transfer of current years surplus to the capital reserve account;

WHEREAS, NJSA 18A:21-2, NJSA 18A:7G-31, and NJSA 18A:7F-41 permit a Board of Education to establish and/or deposit into certain reserve accounts at year's end, and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned statutes authorize procedures, under the authority of the Commissioner of Education, which permit a board of education to transfer unanticipated excess current revenue or unexpected appropriations into reserve accounts during the month of June by board resolution, and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Technical School Board of Education has determined that an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000.00 may be available for such purpose of transfer;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Technical School Board of Education that it hereby authorizes the district's School Business Administrator to make this transfer consistent with all applicable laws and Regulations.

Resolution 16367-26: **Approve the Transfer of Current Year Surplus to the Maintenance Account**

On the motion of _____, seconded by _____, RESOLVED, that this Board approves the transfer of current years surplus to the maintenance reserve account;

WHEREAS, NJSA 18A:21-2, NJSA 18A:7G-31, and NJSA 18A:7F-41 permit a Board of Education to establish and/or deposit into certain reserve accounts at year's end, and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned statutes authorize procedures, under the authority of the Commissioner of Education, which permit a board of education to transfer unanticipated excess current revenue or unexpected appropriations into reserve accounts during the month of June by board resolution, and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Technical School Board of Education has determined that an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00 may be available for such purpose of transfer;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Technical School Board of Education that it hereby authorizes the district's School Business Administrator to make this transfer consistent with all applicable laws and Regulations.

Resolution 16368-26: **Approve Application for Perkins Post-Secondary State Funds for \$78,783**

On the motion of _____, seconded by _____, RESOLVED, that this Board approves the application for Perkins Post-Secondary State Funds in the amount of \$78,783.

Resolution 16369-26: **Approve Application for Perkins Secondary State Funds for \$64,739 and Reserve Funds of \$15,249**

On the motion of _____, seconded by _____, RESOLVED, that this Board approves the application for Perkins Secondary Federal Funds in the amount of \$64,739 and Reserve Funds of \$15,249.

PERSONNEL

Resolution 16370-26: **Approve Personnel Resolutions as Listed Below**

On the motion of Mr. McDonough, seconded by Dr. Mleczyk, RESOLVED, that this Board approves personnel resolutions as listed below, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent:

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- Resolution 16371-26:** **Rescind Resolution 15986-25, for Jude Thompson as Assistant Girls Soccer Coach**
- Resolution 16372-26:** **Approve Jude Thompson as Assistant Girls Basketball Coach**
- Resolution 16373-26:** **Approve Part-Time Maintenance/Custodial Personnel for the 2026-2027 School Year**
- Resolution 16374-26:** **Approve Brian Quinones Resignation as Mathematics Instructor, Effective June 30, 2026**
- Resolution 16375-26:** **Approve Erick Bowers Resignation as Guidance Counselor, Effective June 22, 2026**
- Resolution 16376-26:** **Approve William Horn as School Safety and Security Officer, Effective July 1, 2026**
- Resolution 16377-26:** **Approve the Lateral Movement on the WTEA Guide for The Following Staff**
- Resolution 16378-26:** **Approve Job Description for Athletic Coordinator**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Motion Carried: Yes

Austin X Lamonte Absent McDonough X Mlecz X

- Resolution 16371-26:** **Rescind Resolution 15986-25, for Jude Thompson as Assistant Girls Soccer Coach**
- On the motion of _____, seconded by _____, RESOLVED, that this Board rescinds Resolution 15986-25, as per Jude Thompsons request as Assistant Girls Soccer Coach.

- Resolution 16372-26:** **Approve Jude Thompson as Assistant Girls Basketball Coach**
- On the motion of _____, seconded by _____, RESOLVED, that this Board approves Jude Thompson as Assistant Basketball Coach for the 2026-2027 school year.

- Resolution 16373-26:** **Approve Part-Time Maintenance/Custodial Personnel for the 2026-2027 School Year**
- On the motion of _____, seconded by _____, RESOLVED, that this Board approves the Part-Time Maintenance/Custodial Personnel for the 2026-2027 school year.

Exhibit: A

- Resolution 16374-26:** **Approve Brian Quinones Resignation as Mathematics Instructor, Effective June 30, 2026**
- On the motion of _____, seconded by _____, RESOLVED, that this Board approves Brian Quinones resignation as Mathematics Instructor, effective June 30, 2026.

- Resolution 16375-26:** **Approve Erick Bowers Resignation as Guidance Counselor, Effective June 22, 2026**
- On the motion of _____, seconded by _____, RESOLVED, that this Board approves Erick Bowers resignation as Guidance Counselor, effective June 22, 2026.

- Resolution 16376-26:** **Approve William Horn as School Safety and Security Officer Effective July 1, 2026**
- On the motion of _____, seconded by _____, RESOLVED, that this Board approves William Horn as School Safety and Security Officer effective July 1, 2026.

- Resolution 16377-26:** **Approve the Lateral Movement on the WTEA Guide for The Following Staff**
- On the motion of _____, seconded by _____, RESOLVED, that this Board approves the lateral movement

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on the WTEA Guide for the following instructors:

Taylor Shafer Lana Shanahan	BA+30 MA+15
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Resolution 16378-26: **Approve Job Description for Athletic Coordinator**

On the motion of _____, seconded by _____, RESOLVED, that this Board approves the new job description for an Athletic Coordinator.

Exhibit: B

POLICY

Resolution 16379-26: **Approve the Policy Revisions as Listed Below**

On the motion of Mr. McDonough, seconded by Dr. Mlecz, RESOLVED, that this Board approves the policy revisions as listed below:

Resolution 16380-26: **Approve the First Reading of the Policy Revisions as Listed Below**

Resolution 16381-26: **Approve the Second Reading of the Policy Revisions as Listed Below**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Motion Carried: Yes

Austin X Lamonte Absent McDonough X Mlecz X

Resolution 16380-26: **Approve the First Reading of the Policy Revisions as Listed Below**

On the motion of _____, seconded by _____, RESOLVED, that this Board approves the first reading of the policy revisions as listed below:

P5111	Eligibility of Resident/Non-Resident Pupils - Abolish
P8561	Procurement Procedures for School Nutrition Programs (M) (Revised)

Exhibit: C

Resolution 16381-26: **Approve the Second Reading of the Policy Revisions as Listed Below**

On the motion of _____, seconded by _____, RESOLVED, that this Board approves the second reading of the policy revisions as listed below:

P1230	Superintendent's Duties (M) Revised
P2200	Curriculum (M) Revised
P2411	Career Education and Academic Counseling (M) Revised
P5460	High School Graduation (M) Revised
P5461	High School Diplomas (M) New

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P0162	Notice of Board Meetings (Revised)
P0162.01	Legal Notices (M) New
P1643	Family Leave (M) Revised
P2260	Equity in School and Classroom Practices (M) Revised
P&R 5111.13	Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Student-Choice School District (M) New
P5111.4	Admissions for Vocational Schools (M) New
P5561	Use of Physical Restraint and Seclusion Techniques for Students with Disabilities (M) Revised
P6112	Reimbursement of Federal and Other Grant Expenditures (M) Revised
R6115.01	Federal Awards/Funds International Controls-Allowability of Costs (M) Revised
P6115.02	Federal Awards/Funds International Controls-Mandatory Disclosures (M) Revised
P6311	Contracts for Goods or Services Funded by Federal Grants (M) Revised
P5115	Return to Sending School District by Vocational School District (New)

Exhibit: D, D1

EDUCATIONAL

Resolution 16382-26: Approve the Remote Instruction Plan for the 2026-2027 School Year

On the motion of Mr. McDonough, seconded by Dr. Mlecz, RESOLVED, that this Board approves the Remote Instruction Plan for the 2026-2027 school year.

Exhibit: E,E1

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Motion Carried: Yes

Austin X Lamonte Absent McDonough X Mlecz X

TRAVEL

Resolution 16383-26: Approve the Following Professional Development Days as Listed Below

On the motion of Mr. McDonough, seconded by Dr. Mlecz, RESOLVED, that this Board approves the professional development days as listed below:

DATE	STAFF MEMBER	TRIP DETAILS	COST
7/22/2026	D. Williams	NJSBGA North/South Facilities Training, Morris Knolls High School	\$69.20

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ROLL CALL VOTE:

Motion Carried: Yes

Austin X Lamonte Absent McDonough X Mlecz X

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Resolution 16384-26: **Accept the Resignation of Lori Austin As President of the Warren County Technical School Board of Education**

On the motion of Mr. McDonough, seconded by Dr. Mlecz, RESOLVED, that this Board approves the resignation of Lori Austin as President of the Warren County Technical School Board of Education.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Motion Carried: Yes / No

Austin X Lamonte Absent McDonough X Mlecz X

Resolution 16385-26: **Election of the President**

The President declares nominations for the office of President of the Board of Education.

Close nominations – The Board Secretary will conduct a roll call vote for each nominee.

Nominee: Dr. Mlecz	Moved by: Dr. Austin	Seconded by: Mr. McDonough
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On the motion of Dr. Austin, seconded by Mr. McDonough, RESOLVED, that the Board elected Dr. Mlecz to the office of President of the Warren County Technical School Board of Education.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Motion Carried: Yes

Austin X Lamonte Absent McDonough X Mlecz X

Resolution 16386-26: **Election of the Vice-President**

The President declares nominations for the office of Vice-President of the Board of Education.

Close nominations – The Board Secretary will conduct a roll call vote for each nominee.

Nominee: Mr. McDonough	Moved by: Dr. Austin	Seconded by: Dr. Mlecz
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On the motion of Dr. Austin, seconded by Dr. Mlecz, RESOLVED, that the Board elected Mr. McDonough to the office of Vice-President of the Warren County Technical School Board of Education.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Motion Carried: Yes

Austin X Lamonte Absent McDonough X Mlecz X

ADDENDUM ITEMS

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Any topic not discussed earlier.

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Policy #0167- PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN BOARD MEETINGS

Section: Bylaws

Date Created: March 2000

Date Edited: October 2012

The Board of Education recognizes the value of public comment on educational issues and the importance of allowing members of the public to express themselves on school matters of community interest.

In order to permit the fair and orderly expression of such comment, the Board shall set aside a portion of every Board meeting, the length of the portion to be determined by the Board, for public comment on any school or school district issue that a member of the public feels may be of concern to the residents of the school district.

Public participation shall be governed by the following rules:

1. A participant must be recognized by the presiding officer and must preface comments by an announcement of his/her name, place of residence, and group affiliation, if appropriate;
2. Each statement made by a participant shall be limited to three (3) minutes in duration;
3. No participant may speak more than once on the same topic until all others who wish to speak on that topic has been heard;
4. All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer; no participant may address or question the Board members individually;
5. The presiding officer may:
 - a. Interrupt, warn, or terminate a participant's statement when the statement is too lengthy, abusive, obscene, or irrelevant;
 - b. Request any individual to leave the meeting when that person does not observe reasonable decorum;
 - c. Request the assistance of law enforcement officers in the removal of a disorderly person when that person's conduct interferes with the orderly progress of the meeting;
 - d. Call for a recess or an adjournment to another time when the lack of public decorum so interferes with the orderly conduct of the meeting as to warrant such action; and
 - e. Waive these rules when necessary for the protection of privacy or the efficient administration of the Board's business.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn the Meeting

On the motion of Dr. Austin, seconded by Dr. Mlecz, the Board adjourned the meeting at 5:26 p.m.

VOICE VOTE: Yeas: 3 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 1

Motion Carried: Yes

Upcoming Dates of Interest:

July 15, 2026 BOE Meeting