



OUR FUTURE IS IN CHILDREN'S EDUCATION

**MONDAY
7:30 P.M.**

**WOLCOTT HIGH SCHOOL
RESOURCE CENTER**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT
AGENDA
JUNE 23, 2014**

- I. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, and Reading of the Mission Statement

The mission of the Wolcott Public Schools is to promote the academic, social, and emotional development of all students to become contributing members of the global community.

- II. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Regular Meeting of June 9, 2014
- III. Communications
- IV. Business Manager's Report
 - A. Budget Transfers
 - B. Expenditures
- V. Superintendent's Report
 - A. Mr. Macary's Report
 - B. Robotics Team – Mr. Cormier
- VI. Public Comment
- VII. Committee Reports
- VIII. Old Business
- IX. New Business
 - A. Resignation(s)
 - B. Rescind a Resignation
 - C. Request a Leave
 - D. Transfer Between Jobs

- E. Nomination(s)
 - F. Permission to Dispose of Damaged Books
 - G. Accept a WEF Grant Award
 - H. Adopt the Revised Evaluation & Support Plans
 - I. Bid Award – Milk
 - J. Out of State Conference
 - K. Bid Waiver
- X. Time for the Public
- XI. Items for the Next Agenda

XII. Executive Session

Recommended Motion: “that the Board go into executive session for consideration of action to enforce or implement legal relief or a legal right.”

ADJOURNMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

XIII. Adjournment

Note:

Facilities Committee at 6:30-7:00 p.m. in Wolcott High School’s Virtual Learning Computer Lab: 1) Summer Projects; and 2) Facilities Report.

Finance Committee at 7:00-7:30 p.m. in Wolcott High School’s Virtual Learning Computer Lab: 1) Budget Transfers; 2) Expenditures; and 3) Business Manager’s Report.

***BOARD OF EDUCATION
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT***

A Board of Education meeting was held on Monday, June 9, 2014, at Wolcott High School. In attendance were: Patricia Najarian, Chairman of the Board; Cynthia Mancini, Secretary of the Board; Thomas Buzzelli, Gloria Clair, Lori DelBuono, Roberta Leonard, Arthur Lerz, and Kimberly Lumia, all Board members. Also in attendance: Joseph Macary, Superintendent of Schools; Todd Bendtsen, Business Manager; Frank Purcaro, Director of Curriculum and Professional Development; Joseph Monroe, Principal of Wolcott High School; Walter Drewry, Assistant Principal of Wolcott High School; Deborah Osvald, Assistant Principal of Wolcott High School; Shawn Simpson, Assistant Principal of Tyrrell Middle School; Holly Wrenn, Principal of Alcott School; Joseph Norcross, Principal of Frisbie School; Robert Nagashima, Principal of Wakelee School; Melissa Iles, Director of Student Services; Wendie Rodriguez, Supervisor of Special Education; WHS' Top 25 Seniors; a WEA Representative; and Joan Gray, Board Clerk.

The regular Board meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m., the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mrs. Najarian read the Wolcott Public Schools' Mission Statement.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion: by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Ms. DelBuono, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 27, 2014. So voted.

Communications:

Thank you note from Mrs. Rodriguez

Letter from Mr. Curley

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Business Manager's Report:

Expenditures:

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Lumia, to approve the July 2014 payroll expenditure in the amount of **\$430,000.**

To approve expenditures in the amount of \$560,807.69 paid on June 10, 2014 for fiscal year 2013-2014.
So voted.

Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Monroe introduced the Wolcott High Schools top 25 seniors. They are

Class Ranking for Top 25 Seniors Class of 2014

Rank:

- 1 Meghan Kelly
- 2 Caleb Sisson
- 3 Roni Crumb
- 4 Julia Vanasse
- 5 Miranda Briggs
- 6 Matthew Carnein
- 7 Jenna-Lynn Kelley
- 8 Alex Keane
- 9 Austin Miller
- 10 Helena Saro
- 11 Cara Valenti
- 12 Caitlin Bisailon
- 13 Kristina Onofreo
- 14 Nicole Mulhall
- 15 Ersilda Ajce
- 16 Xhovana Collaku
- 17 Danielle Sforza
- 18 Caroline Critelli
- 19 Kevin Roberts
- 20 Alex Gauthier
- 21 Emily Page
- 22 Emily Caffrey
- 23 Gabrielle Gambino
- 24 Andrea Valerio
- 25 Leana Jannetty

Motion: by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Mr. Buzzelli, for the Board to take a 15 recess to congratulate the students and their parents.

The meeting reconvened at 8:15 p.m.

The Principals gave two minute updates on their schools.

Mr. Purcaro reported on SBAC testing and also the Committees completing work on Common Core Curriculum.

The Superintendent notified the Board that the Administrators have gone through the teacher appraisal process as outlined in Connecticut Statute 10-151, and they have been completed.

Wolcott Summer Studies is starting on June 30th. The Program is held at Tyrrell Middle School for five weeks from 8:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Monday to Friday.

The Wolcott Public School conducts an annual “end of the year” survey. It can be accessed on the District’s website to participate.

Graduation for Tyrrell Middle School will be June 24th at 4:00 p.m. in Tyrrell’s Gymnasium and graduation for Wolcott High School will be June 24th at 7:00 p.m. at the high school on Monroe Field (weather permitting). The last day of school for all students is Tuesday, June 24, 2014. June 23 and 24 will be early dismissal days for students.

Motion: by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Ms. DelBuono, to approve the Superintendent’s Report. So voted.

Public Comment:

No one came forward.

Committee Reports:

Mrs. Mancini said the Finance Committee met earlier. Pending invoices, budget reports for fiscal year 2013-2014, oil prices, and the District’s health claims, were discussed.

Mrs. Najarian reported that the Facilities Committee met and received a report by Mr. Bendtsen on projects and the bonding referendum. A list of names will be submitted to the Mayor as potential members of a building committee for the schools.

OLD BUSINESS:

Approve the 2014-2015 School Handbooks – Final Vote:

Motion: by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Mrs. Clair, to approve on final vote the 2014-2015 Handbooks as follows:

The Elementary Schools Parents/Guardians Handbook

Tyrrell Middle School Student Handbook

Wolcott High School Student Handbook

So voted.

NEW BUSINESS:**Approve – Resignation:**

Motion: by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Ms. DelBuono, to accept the following resignations of:

1. **Joe DiLeo** in the position of SHAPE Counselor at Wolcott High School at the end of the 2013-2014 school year;
 2. **Lee Kelsey** in the position of Co-Coach of the Boys Soccer Team at Tyrrell Middle School for the 2014-2015 school year;
 3. **Lysa Margiotta** in the position of Special Education Teacher – STEP at Wolcott High School effective at the end of the 2013-2014 school year;
 4. **Eleanor Martin** in the position of Special Education Teacher at Wolcott High School for the purpose of retirement effective at the end of the 2013-2014 school year;
 5. **Irene Roman** in the position of Grade 1 Teacher at Frisbie Elementary School effective at the end of the 2013-2014 school year;
 6. **Rebekah Wry** in the position of Social Studies Teacher at Tyrrell Middle School effective at the end of the 2013-2014 school year.
- So voted.

Approve – Transfer Between Jobs:

Motion: by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Mrs. Mancini, to approve the following transfer to the position indicated:

1. **Mark Berube** from the position of Special Education Teacher – Phoenix at Wolcott High School to the position of Special Education Teacher – STEP at Wolcott High School effective August 25, 2014;
2. **Marian Boisvert** from the position of Grade 8 Math Teacher at Tyrrell Middle School to the position of Grade 7 Math Teacher at Tyrrell Middle School effective August 25, 2014;
3. **Karen Craig** from the position of English Teacher at Wolcott High School to the position of Grade 8 English/Language Arts Teacher at Tyrrell Middle School effective August 25, 2014;
4. **Marie Finelli** from the position of Grade 3 Teacher at Frisbie School to the position of Kindergarten Teacher at Frisbie School effective August 25, 2014;
5. **Shannon Gomez** from the position of Kindergarten Teacher at Frisbie School to the position of Grade 1 Teacher at Frisbie School effective August 25, 2014;
6. **Deborah Nicol** from the position of Grade 8 English/Language Arts Teacher at Tyrrell Middle School to the position of English/Language Arts Teacher at Wolcott High School effective August 25, 2014;

7. **Mary Ellen Rosa** from the position of Grade 6 English/Language Arts Teacher at Tyrrell Middle School to the position of English/Language Arts Teacher at Wolcott High School effective August 25, 2014;
8. **Tara Taylor** from the position of Grade 2 Teacher at Frisbie School to the position of Grade 3 Teacher at Frisbie School effective August 25, 2014.
9. **Nancy Wilson** from the position of English Teacher at Wolcott High School to the position of Grade 6 English/Language Arts Teacher at Tyrrell Middle School effective August 25, 2014.

So voted.

Approve – Nominations:

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to appoint the following person(s) as indicated:

1. **Dan Goldstone** in the position of Track Coach at Tyrrell Middle School effective with the 2014 spring season;
2. **Lee Kelsey** in the position of Assistant Track Coach at Tyrrell Middle School effective with the 2014 spring season;
3. **Joanne Riback** in the position of Staff Member for the Reading Intervention Program at the 2014 Summer Studies Program effective from July 14 to August 1, 2014;
4. **Patricia Stanco** in the position of Special Education Paraprofessional for the 2014 Summer Studies Program;
5. **Mike Terry** in the position of Boys Soccer Team Coach at Tyrrell Middle School for the 2014 fall season;
6. **2014 Winter Sports Coaches:**

Lee Kelsey	Girls Basketball
Scott Blacker & Mike Terry	Boys Basketball Co-Coaches
Anna Bartoli	Cheerleading

So voted.

Permission to Dispose of Equipment:

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to give permission to dispose of the following equipment:

1. A 1995 Pickup Truck being used by the Maintenance Department
2. A single door refrigerator at Tyrrell School, Serial #00015592, Asset Tag #04580.

So voted.

ADD TO THE AGENDA:

Approve – Resignation:

Motion: by Ms. Leonard, seconded by Mr. Buzzelli, to add to the agenda to accept the resignation of **Jessica Sanzo** in the position of Mathematics Teacher at Tyrrell Middle School effective immediately.

Motion by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to accept the resignation of **Jessica Sanzo** in the position of Mathematics Teacher at Tyrrell Middle School effective immediately.

Time for the Public:

Theresa Marin, 486 Center Street, spoke about Project Safe Graduation being held June 24th.

Items for the Next Agenda:

Board members can contact the Board of Education Office if you have additional agenda items.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion: by Mr. Buzzelli, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to take a 5 minute recess at 8:45 p.m., then go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of a confidential student matter which would result in disclosure of information protected by FERPA, and discussion regarding the employment of certified employee(s).

Motion: by Ms. Leonard, seconded by Mr. Lerz, to come out of Executive Session and reconvene the regular meeting at 9:25 p.m. So voted.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: by Ms. DelBuono, seconded by Mrs. Lumia, to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:26 p.m. So voted.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – June 23, 2014

RESOLUTION: BUDGET TRANSFER(S)

Resolution from Joseph Macary, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation

To authorize the transfer of \$197,495.86 presented in the Business Manager's report.

Resolution No. 06-23-14: 7102

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – June 23, 2014

RESOLUTION: EXPENDITURES

Resolution from Joseph Macary, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation

To approve expenditures in the amount of **\$1,108,249.24** paid on June 24, 2014 for fiscal year 2013-2014.

WOLCOTT PUBLIC SCHOOLS
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT
SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

June 23, 2014

Two Minute School Highlights:

Alcott:

Frisbie:

Wakelee:

Tyrrell:

Wolcott High:

Student Services:

Starting on June 30th, the Wolcott Summer Studies, one of the longest running programs in the State of Connecticut, will be conducting enrichment classes for students over the next five weeks. The program will be held at Tyrrell Middle School with four classes per student running every day from 8:00AM to 12:15PM. Classes vary from literacy and numeracy to arts and crafts to getting ready for kindergarten. This is a great program for our district and over 400 students are taking advantage of this exciting educational experience this summer. Applications can be downloaded from the district web site: www.wolcottps.org

The Wolcott Public Schools conducts an "end of the year" survey annually in June. Students, parents, teachers, staff, and community members are encouraged to log onto our web site and complete the survey. It is only 12 questions and takes about 5 minutes to complete. Please help us assess our district needs as we make plans to continue to enhance our programs and schools. The survey is closed on June 30th.

The Board of Education will be meeting on Monday, July 21st and Monday, August 18th at 7:30PM at Tyrrell Middle School during the summer. I would like to wish everyone a happy and safe summer. Please enjoy time with your family and friends this summer and I would like to thank all the faculty and staff for a great school year. Thank you.

Presentation from Mrs. Lydia Tedone, past President of CABA to the Wolcott BOE...

Presentation from Mr. Cormier on the WHS Robotics Team...

Conference Attendance Report

June 23, 2014

DATE	COST	PERSON(S)	SCHOOL/POSITION	SUB	PRESENTER	TITLE	LOCATION
08/22/14	None	Jodi Giglio	Wakelee/Gr 4 Tchr	No	ACES	TEAM Mentor Update Training	Hamden, Ct
07/15/14	\$200 + (M)	Eileen Girgenti	District/Food Service Director	No	School Nutrition Association National	School Nutrition Association Summer Conference 2014	Boston, Ma.
08/22/14	None	Donna Calabro	Wakelee/Gr 4 Tchr	No	ACES	TEAM Mentor Update Training	Hamden, Ct
08/22/14	None	Kate McCasland	Wakelee/Gr 4 Tchr	No	ACES	TEAM Mentor Update Training	Hamden, Ct

(M) = Mileage

(P) = Parking Fees

**Fundraiser Report
June 23, 2014**

DATE	SCHOOL	GROUP/PERSON	DESCRIPTION OF FUNDRAISER
July 1 to Aug 31	WHS	Ace Club	Bottle Drive
August	WHS	Ace Club	Car Wash
Aug 15-17	WHS	Ace Club	Table washing at Wolcott Lions Club Fair
Aug 17	WHS	Strength & Gridiron Club	Sell "I Support WHS Football" Sign
Aug 27 to Sept 3	WHS	Ace Club	Sell mums to family & friends

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – June 23, 2014

RESOLUTION: RESIGNATIONS

Resolution from Joseph Macary, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation

TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATIONS OF:

1. **Dawn Bertrand** in the position of Paraprofessional - Primary at Frisbie School at the end of the 2013-2014 school year;
2. **Lori Galvin** in the position of Reading Specialist at Wakelee School at the end of the 2013-2014 school year;
3. **Anthony Gentile** in the position of Applied Education Teacher at Wolcott High School effective at the end of the 2013-2014 school year;
4. **Vanessa Slebonick** in the position of General Food Service Worker at Wakelee School effective at the end of the 2013-2014 school year;
5. **Christina VanOrmer** in the position of Girls' Soccer Team Coach at Tyrrell Middle School effective for the 2014 season.

(See attached)

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – June 23, 2014

RESOLUTION: RESCIND A RESIGNATION

Resolution from Joseph Macary, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation

To approve rescinding the resignation of Joe DiLeo and restating him to the position of .4 SHAPE Counselor at Wolcott High School.

(See attached)

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – June 23, 2014

RESOLUTION: LEAVE REQUEST

Resolution from Joseph Macary, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation

Taryn Villano-Corso, School Counselor at Wolcott High School, requests an unpaid leave of absence from her position until the beginning of the second semester of the 2014-2015 school year.

(See Attached)

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – June 23, 2014

RESOLUTION: TRANSFER BETWEEN JOB(S)

Resolution from Joseph Macary, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation

TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING TRANSFER TO THE POSITION INDICATED:

1. **Erik Chupron** from the position of Physical Education Teacher at the three Elementary Schools to the position of 1.0 Physical Education Teacher at Alcott Elementary School effective August 25, 2014;
2. **John Richardson** from the position of Math Teacher at Wolcott High School to the position of Grade 8 Math Teacher at Tyrrell Middle School effective August 25, 2014;
3. **Lisa Riggj** from the position of Physical Education Teacher at Alcott School to the position of Physical Education Teacher at Wolcott High School effective August 25, 2014.

(See attached)

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – June 23, 2014

RESOLUTION: NOMINATION(S)

Resolution from Joseph Macary, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation

TO APPOINT THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) AS INDICATED:

1. **Samantha Barrett** in the position of French Teacher at Wolcott High School effective on August 25, 2014;
2. **Stacey Caouette** in the position of Grade 4 Teacher at Alcott Elementary School effective on August 25, 2014;
3. **Matt Craig** in the position of Cross Country Track Coach at Wolcott High School effective with the 2014 fall season;
4. **Kerianne Falencki** in the position of Grade 2 Teacher at Wakelee Elementary School effective on August 25, 2014;
5. **Tara Jackson** in the position of Special Education Teacher at Tyrrell Middle School effective on August 25, 2014;
6. **Heather MacDonald** in the position of Special Education Teacher at Frisbie Elementary School effective on August 25, 2014;
7. **Krista Maruccu-Nori** in the position of Grade 3 Teacher at Alcott Elementary School effective on August 25, 2014;
8. **Michelle McNerney** in the position of Grade 2 Teacher at Frisbie Elementary School effective on August 25, 2014;
9. **Danielle Medeiros** in the position of Grade 1 Teacher at Frisbie Elementary School effective on August 25, 2014;
10. **2014 Summer Custodial Workers** for the District as follows:
 - Michael France
 - Zachary Maisto
 - Michael Meier
 - Paula Meier
 - Austin Miller
 - Tyler Prescott
 - Jeffrey Vance
11. **2014-2015 Stipend Positions** as follows:
 - District**
 - K-12 English/LA Coordinator Bruce McIntire

K-12 PE/Wellness Coordinator Lisa Riggi
Central Office Technology Coordinator Sara Tedesco
Sub Coordinator Tammi Treen

Wolcott High School:

Department Heads:

Physical Education/Wellness Lisa Riggi
Career & Tech Ed John Matthews
Special Education Sarah McOmber
World Language/Music & Art Tom Pelosi
Social Studies Joe Morgan
English Bruce McIntire
Guidance Giovanna Ramos

Technology Coordinator Sheila Distasio
Drama Advisor Laura Solocius
Robotics Team Advisor Rob Cormier
Choral-Show Choir Advisor Laura Solocius
Yearbook Advisors Kristin Klemeshefsky/Kristen Ferguson
Parliamentarian Advisor Will Balanda
Senior Class Advisor Audra Majewski/Michelle Thies
National Honor Society Advisor Deb Stange/Michelle Thies
Pep Band Advisor Justin Clement
Jazz Band Advisor Justin Clement
FCCLA Advisor Chuck Tutalo
DECA Advisor Jay Pace/Charlie Guerrera
Community Service Advisor Nancy Nevins
Skills USA Advisor Chris Lofgren

Tyrrell Middle School:

Team Leaders:

Diamond Nina Mascetti-Johnson/Sarah Garbus
Platinum Jill Wright
Granite Eileen Simon
Marble Karen Trovato
Pearl Pamela Conway
Onyx Lisa Roman/Scott Blacker
Silver Katherine Jones

Technology Coordinator Sara Tedesco
Drama Advisor Katie Jones
Construction Engineering Club Advisor - Steve Mirto
National Junior Honor Society Advisor - Kerri Baker
Student Council Advisor Sarah Garbus
Chess Club Advisor Michelle LaRochelle
Yearbook Advisor Marian Boisvert
Writing Club Advisor Joanne Mumley
Video Production Club Advisor Todd Jones
Homework Club Advisors Scott Blacker/Amy D'Ettore/
Joanne Mumley/John Richardson

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Alcott Elementary School:

Head Teacher
Technology Coordinator

Bethann Sickles
Lisa Goldberg

Frisbie Elementary School:

Head Teacher
Technology Coordinator

Rosa Ramalhete
Nancy Warzecha

Wakelee Elementary School:

Head Teacher
Technology Coordinator

Kimberly Murtaugh
Joe Cornelio

(See attached)

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – June 23, 2014

RESOLUTION: PERMISSION TO DISPOSE OF BOOKS

Resolution from Joseph Macary, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation(s)

Frisbie Elementary School's Library requests permission to dispose of damaged books as per the attached list.

(See attached)

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – August 23, 2014

RESOLUTION: ADOPT THE REVISED EVALUATION & SUPPORT PLANS

Resolution from Joseph Macary, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation

To adopt the revised Wolcott Public School's System for Educator Evaluation and Support Plan and the System for Administrator Evaluation and Support Plan.

(See attached)

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – June 23, 2014

RESOLUTION: BID AWARD – MILK

Resolution from Joseph Macary, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation(s)

To approve the bid and award a contract to Wades Dairy, Inc. to provide milk to the Wolcott Public Schools with firm prices for the 2014-2015 school year.

(See attached)

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – June 23, 2014

RESOLUTION: OUT-OF-STATE CONFERENCE(S)

Resolution from Joseph Macary, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation

TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING OUT-OF-STATE CONFERENCES:

1. **Eileen Girgenti**, Food Service Director, requests permission to attend the School Nutrition Association Summer Conference 2014 being held at the Convention and Exhibit Center in Boston on July 15, 2014.

(See attached)

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – June 23, 2014

RESOLUTION: BID WAIVER

Resolution from Joseph Macary, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation

To waive the bid for the Teacher's Room Renovations at Wolcott High School.