



# OUR FUTURE IS IN CHILDREN'S EDUCATION

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

**TYRRELL MIDDLE SCHOOL  
LARGE GROUP INSTRUCTION ROOM**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT  
AGENDA  
July 21, 2014**

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

*The mission of the Wolcott Public Schools is to develop in each student the knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary to become a productive member of the community and a contributing member of society.*

- II. Approval of Minutes
  - A. Regular Meeting of June 23, 2014
- III. Communications
- IV. Business Manager's Report
  - A. Budget Transfers
  - B. Expenditures
- V. Superintendent's Report
  - A. Mr. Macary's Report
- VI. Public Comment
- VII. Committee Reports
- VIII. Old Business
- IX. New Business
  - A. Resignations
  - B. Transfer Between Jobs
  - C. Nomination(s)
  - D. Out of State Field Trip
  - E. Discard Equipment

- F. Naming of the WHS Press Box
- G. Approve Proposal Award – Student Insurance
- H. Approve the 2013-2014 Annual Report of the Superintendent
  
- X. Time for the Public
  
- XI. Items for the Next Agenda
  
- XII. Executive Session

Recommended Motion: “that the Board go into executive session for the purpose of conducting the Superintendent’s evaluation.”

ADJOURNMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

- XIII. Adjournment

Note:

Facilities Committee at 6:30-7:00 p.m. in the Tyrrell Middle School’s Media Center: 1) Update on Projects; and 2) Facilities Director’s Report.

Finance Committee at 7:00-7:30 p.m. in the Tyrrell Middle School’s Media Center: 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 23, 2014, at Wolcott High School. In attendance were: Patricia Najarian, Chairman of the Board; Gloria Gubitosi, Vice Chairman of the Board; Cynthia Mancini, Secretary of the Board; Thomas Buzzelli, Gloria Clair, Roberta Leonard, and Kimberly Lumia, all Board members. Also in attendance: Joseph Macary, Superintendent of Schools; Frank Purcaro, Director of Curriculum and Professional Development; Joseph Monroe, Principal of Wolcott High 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; Robert Cormier, Teacher at Wolcott High School; 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 Ms. Leonard, seconded by Mrs. Clair, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of June 9, 2014. So voted.

**Communications:**

Thank you note from the Meusers

Thank you letter from Mr. Curley

Letter to the Waterbury Cable Council from Mr. Curley

**Business Manager's Report:**

**Budget Transfers:**

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Lumia, to authorize the transfer of \$197,495.86 presented in the Business Manager's report.  
So voted.

**Expenditures:**

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Lumia, to approve expenditures in the amount of **\$1,108,249.24** paid on June 25, 2014 for fiscal year 2013-2014. So voted.

**Superintendent's Report:**

Mr. Cormier reported on the Robotics Teams sponsored by the Wolcott Public Schools, and WHS' Team gave a demonstration of their robot that they built.

Mrs. Lydia Tedone, past President of CABE, presented the Board with two Communication Awards. One for an article on energy conservation in the District, *Wolcott Goes Green*, and second, Wolcott High School's Student Handbook for 2013-2014.

The Principals gave two minute updates on their schools. Mrs. Iles reported on the activities supported by Student Services.

Wolcott Summer Studies is starting on June 30<sup>th</sup>. The Program is held at Tyrrell Middle School for five weeks from 8:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Monday to Friday. There are approximately 400 students signed up for the program.

The Wolcott Public School conducts an annual "end of the year" survey. It can be accessed on the District's website, [www.wolcottps.org](http://www.wolcottps.org) to participate.

The next Board of Education meeting will be at Tyrrell Middle School on July 21<sup>st</sup>.

Motion: by Mrs. Gubitosi, seconded by Mrs. Lumia, to approve the Superintendent's Report. So voted.

**Public Comment:**

Kathy Cordone, 80 Old Boundline Road, spoke about the adoption of the revised Teacher/Administrators Evaluation and Support Plans, which are on the agenda.

**Committee Reports:**

Mrs. Gubitosi reported the Facilities Committee met at 6:30 and reviewed summer projects, Mr. Stankus' energy conservation efforts over the summer, and the security project.

Mrs. Mancini said the Finance Committee met earlier. Pending invoices, budget reports for fiscal year 2013-2014, oil bid and prices, and the milk bid were discussed.

Mrs. Clair reported on the Special Need Games and thanked all the students, administrators, and teams that helped out.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Approve – Resignation:**

Motion: by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Mr. Buzzelli, to accept the following 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.

So voted.

**Rescind a Resignation:**

Motion: by Mrs. Clair, seconded by Mr. Buzzelli, to rescind the resignation of Joe DiLeo and restating him to the position of .4 SHAPE Counselor at Wolcott High School. So voted.

**Request a Leave:**

Motion: by Mrs. Gubitosi, seconded by Mrs. Mancini, to approve Taryn Villano-Corso, School Counselor at Wolcott High School, request for an unpaid leave of absence from her position until the beginning of the second semester of the 2014-2015 school year. So voted.

**Approve – Transfer Between Jobs:**

Motion: by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Mr. Buzzelli, to approve the following transfers to the positions 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 Riggi** 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.
- So voted.

**Approve – Nominations:**

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, 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 Mc Nerney** 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:
 

<b><u>District</u></b>	
K-12 English/LA Coordinator	Bruce McIntire
K-12 PE/Wellness Coordinator	Lisa Riggi
Central Office Technology Coordinator	Sara Tedesco

Sub Coordinator	Tammi Treen
<b><u>Wolcott High School:</u></b>	
<b><u>Department Heads:</u></b>	
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 Guerrero
Community Service Advisor	Nancy Nevins
Skills USA Advisor	Chris Lofgren
<b><u>Tyrrell Middle School:</u></b>	
<b><u>Team Leaders:</u></b>	
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

**Alcott Elementary School:**

Head Teacher	Bethann Sickles
Technology Coordinator	Lisa Goldberg

**Frisbie Elementary School:**

Head Teacher	Rosa Ramalhete
Technology Coordinator	Nancy Warzecha

**Wakelee Elementary School:**

Head Teacher	Kimberly Murtaugh
Technology Coordinator	Joe Cornelio

*All Board Members voted "aye", except Mrs. Lumia who abstained from the vote. The motion carries.*

**Permission to Dispose of Damaged Books:**

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Lumia, to approve Frisbie Elementary School's Library request for permission to dispose of damaged books as per the presented list. So voted.

**Accept a WEF Grant Award:**

Motion: by Mr. Buzzelli, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to approve and accept the Wolcott Education Foundation's Grant Award as follows:

1. Janet Discepolo \$ 500.00

School: Alcott Elementary School

Project Title: Poetry Extravaganza

So voted.

**Adopt the Revised Evaluation & Support Plans:**

Motion: by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Mrs. Mancini, to adopt the revised Wolcott Public School's System for Educator Evaluation and Support Plan and the System for Administrator Evaluation and Support Plan. So voted.



**Bid Award – Milk:**

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, 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. So voted.

**Out of State Conference:**

Motion: by Mrs. Gubitosi, seconded by Mrs. Clair, to approve the following out-of-state conferences:  
**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. So voted.

**Bid Waiver:**

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, to waive the bid for the Teacher's Room Renovations at Wolcott High School. So voted.

**ADD TO THE AGENDA:****Approve – Nomination:**

Motion: by Mrs. Gubitosi, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to add to the agenda to appoint a Transitional Coordinator at Wolcott High School.  
So voted.

Motion by Mr. Buzzelli, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, to appoint the following person(s) as indicated:  
1. **Katherine Bryant** in the position of Transition Coordinator at Wolcott High School effective on August 25, 2014.  
So voted.

**Time for the Public:**

Kathy Cordone, 80 Old Boundline Road, spoke on Common Core.

**Items for the Next Agenda:**

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

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Motion: by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, to take a 5 minute recess at 8:45 p.m., then go into Executive Session for consideration of action to enforce or implement legal relief or a legal right.

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, to come out of Executive Session and reconvene the regular meeting at 10:14 p.m. So voted.

**ADD TO THE AGENDA:**

**Authorize the Superintendent:**

Motion: by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Mr. Buzzelli, to add to the agenda a resolution authorizing the Superintendent to act on a transportation issue. So voted.

Motion by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Mr. Buzzelli, to authorize the Superintendent to work with legal counsel to file a claim to assert the Board's legal right regarding a transportation contract. So voted.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion: by Mr. Buzzelli, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, to adjourn the regular meeting at 10:17 p.m. So voted.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – July 21, 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 \$903,972.39 presented in the Business Manager's report.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – July 21, 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 the August 2014 payroll expenditure in the amount of \$950,000.

To approve expenditures in the amount of \$167,890.74 paid on July 22, 2014 for fiscal year 2013-2014.

To approve expenditures in the amount of \$1,030,912.20 paid on July 22, 2014 for fiscal year 2014-2015.

WOLCOTT PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT  
SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

July 21, 2014

The Summer Studies Program is now in the fourth week of its five week program. There are approximately 505 students enrolled in special education, literacy, or enrichment classes ranging from tennis to cooking. There are many new courses being offered like CSI, Minute to Win It, Wolcott Idol and Fashionista. Summer School is running well and there are no issues.

The first day of school for students is August 27, 2014  
The first day of school for teachers is August 25, 2014

Registration for new students to Wolcott High School for the 2014-2015 school year will take place on August 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> from 9:00AM to 1:00PM at the Guidance Office of the high school. Registration will be by appointment only. Please call 203-879-8157 on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday mornings during the summer to set-up an appointment.

Registration for new Elementary Students in Grade K through 5 will be on Friday, August 22, 2014 from 9:00AM to 2:00PM at each school. This will be an open registration for all new students who have moved into the Town of Wolcott over the summer. Sessions will be at each "home" school at either Alcott, Frisbie or Wakelee.

All perspectives athletes who wish to participate in Wolcott High School and Tyrrell Middle School athletics must have a current physical. Forms for the Wolcott High School sports can be obtained from the WHS Main Office and forms for Tyrrell MS sports can be obtained from Tyrrell MS at the start of the school year. All athletes must report for the first day of practice, with a current physical, shorts and t-shirt ready to participate in practice.

The Annual Report of the Superintendent of Schools for the 2013-2014 School Year is in your Board Packet for your review. We can all be proud of the District accomplishments and student achievements that have taken place over the past school year. Thank you

# Conference Attendance Report

July 21, 2014

DATE	COST	PERSON(S)	SCHOOL/POSITION	SUB	PRESENTER	TITLE	LOCATION
09/11; 10/23	\$250.00	Cynthia Mascolo	WHS/Science Teacher	Yes	Ct Science Safety Network	Science Lab Safety/Hazardous Chemical Management	Middletown, Ct.

(M) = Mileage

(P) = Parking Fees

Field Trip Report 7-21-14

Trip ID	Trip Name	Date	Location	# Students	Trip Destination	Objectives	Contact
428	Sturbridge Village	10/3/2014	Wakelee	80	Sturbridge, Mass	To experience what school/life was like in colonial time, use this trip as well as print and computer sources to study history	Giglio, Jodi

## Fundraiser Report July 21, 2014

DATE	SCHOOL	GROUP/PERSON	DESCRIPTION OF FUNDRAISER
Aug 12	Alcott	Alcott	20% of food purchased at Friendly's
Aug 26-Sept 19	Wakelee	PTO	Catalog & candy bar sales
Aug 29-Sept 26	WHS	Senior Class	Sell magazines, digital photo albums, calendars & special occasion cards
Sept 2014	WHS	Strength & Gridiron Club	Sell discount cards for area businesses
Sept 15	WHS	Strength & Gridiron Club	Sell tickets to dinner at Amalfi
Sept 29	Alcott	Alcott	Sell tickets to dinner at Amalfi
Oct 10	WHS	Strength & Gridiron Club	Place a dumpster at WHS to collect bottles & cans



Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – July 21, 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. **Geraldine Aldi** in the position of Worker in the Latchkey Program at Wakelee School effective June 24, 2014;
2. **Meghan Azzara** in the position of Guidance Counselor at Tyrrell Middle School effective July 15, 2014;
3. **Francis Hubeny** in the position of Facilities Director for the Wolcott Public Schools effective July 16, 2014;
4. **Monica Humphrey** in the position of Art Teacher at Alcott and Frisbie Elementary Schools effective July 17, 2014;
5. **Joanne Lacedra** in the position of Grade 5 Teacher at Wakelee School for the purpose of retirement effective June 26, 2014;
6. **Jennifer Marino** in the position of Grade 2 Teacher at Wakelee School effective July 2, 2014;
7. **Aisha Mobley** in the position of Guidance Counselor at Wolcott High School effective July 16, 2014;
8. **Alison Regan** in the position of Girls' Freshman Volleyball Coach at Wolcott High School effective for the 2014 season;
9. **Michael Terry** in the position of Boys' Soccer Coach at Tyrrell Middle School effective for the 2014 season.

(See attached)

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – July 21, 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. **Donna Calabro** from the position of Grade 4 Teacher at Wakelee Elementary School to the position of Grade 5 Teacher at Wakelee Elementary School effective August 25, 2014.

(See attached)

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – July 21, 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. James Crandall in the position of Math Teacher at Wolcott High School effective on August 25, 2014;
2. David Fortier in the position of Grade 7 Social Studies Teacher at Tyrrell Middle School effective August 25, 2014;
3. Andrea Lund-Teixeira in the position of Reading Consultant at Wakelee Elementary School effective on August 25, 2014;
4. Bryan MacKay in the position of Science Department Head at Wolcott High School effective with the 2014-2015 school year;
5. Lisa Nappi in the position of Grade 4 Teacher at Wakelee Elementary School effective on August 25m, 2014;
6. Kathryn Pierpaoli in the position of Family and Consumer Science Teacher at Wolcott High School effective on August 25, 2014;
7. Dana Roberts in the position of Primary Paraprofessional at Frisbie Elementary School effective on August 27, 2014;
8. Emily Vilag in the position of Math Department Head at Wolcott High School effective with the 2014-2015 school year;
9. 2015 Spring Coaches for Wolcott High School as follows:

Steve Jasulavic	Varsity Boys Tennis
Becky Riviezzo	Head Coach-Girls Outdoor Track
Chris Riviezzo	Assistant Coach-Girls Outdoor Track
Will Baland	Head Coach-Boys Outdoor Track
Jay Pace	Assistant Coach-Boys Outdoor Track
Justin Bolton	Strength & Conditioning Coach (Spring)
Lisa Belval	Varsity Girls Softball
Charisse Courtney	J.V. Girls Softball
Tary Scott	Varsity Boys Baseball
Ed Belval	JV Boys Baseball
Craig Kealey	Varsity Boys Golf

(See attached)

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – July 21, 2014**

**RESOLUTION:                   OUT-OF-STATE FIELD TRIPS**

**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 FIELD TRIPS:**

1. Wakelee Grade 4 Students (80) request permission to go to Sturbridge Village in Sturbridge, MA on October 3, 2014.

(See attached)

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – July 21, 2014**

**RESOLUTION: PERMISSION TO DISPOSE OF EQUIPMENT**

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

**Permission to dispose of the following equipment:**

**A two door roll-in style Hobalt refrigerator at Wolcott High School,  
Serial #321044211, Asset Tag #01338.**

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – July 21, 2014**

**RESOLUTION: NAMING THE WHS PRESS BOX**

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

**To name the Wolcott High School's Press Box at Monroe Field the John Rossi Press Box.**

Meeting of the Board of Education – July 21, 2014

RESOLUTION: PROPOSAL AWARD – STUDENT INSURANCE

**Resolution** from Joseph P. Macary, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation(s)

To approve the proposal and award a contract to **Colonna Insurance Services, LLC** to provide the 2014-2015 Voluntary Student Accident Insurance and Interscholastic Sports Insurance Coverage Including Physical Education Classes in the amount of **\$28,500.00**.

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – July 21, 2014**

**RESOLUTION:      APPROVE THE 2013-2014 SUPERINTENDENT'S  
ANNUAL REPORT**

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

**To approve the 2013-2014 Superintendent's Annual Report**

(See attached)