



# OUR FUTURE IS IN CHILDREN'S EDUCATION

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

**TYRRELL MIDDLE SCHOOL  
LARGE GROUP INSTRUCTION ROOM**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT  
August 22, 2016**

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 July 18, 2016
- B. Special Meeting of August 5-6, 2016

III. Communications

IV. Business Manager's Report

- A. Budget Transfers
- B. Expenditures

V. Superintendent's Report

- A. Dr. Gasper's Report

VI. Public Comment

VII. Old Business

- A. Adopt a Science Textbook – WHS – Final Vote

VIII. New Business

- A. Transfer Between Jobs
- B. Nomination(s)

IX. Committee Reports

- X. Time for the Public
- XI. Items for the Next Agenda
- XII. Executive Session  
Recommended Motion: “that the Board go into executive session to discuss two confidential student discipline outcomes.”

ADJOURNMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

- XIII. Action on Item XII, if Necessary
- XIV. Remarks by Board Members
- XV. Adjournment

Note:

Operations & Programs Committee at 6:30-7:00 p.m. in the Media Center at Tyrrell Middle School: 1) Overview of potential policy revisions.

Finance Committee at 7:00-7:30 p.m. in the Media Center at Tyrrell Middle School: 1) Budget Transfer; 2) Expenditures; and 3) Business Manager’s Report.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education was held on Monday, July 18, 2016, at Tyrrell Middle School. In attendance were: Patricia Najarian, Chairman of the Board; Gloria Gubitosi, Vice Chairman of the Board; Kimberly Lumia, Secretary of the Board; Thomas Buzzelli, Anthony Gugliotti, Arthur Lerz, and Cynthia Mancini, all Board members. Also in attendance: Dr. Anthony Gasper, Superintendent of Schools, Frank Purcaro, Director of Student Learning & Teaching; Rosa Ramalhete, Supervisor of Special Education; Joseph Monroe, Principal of Wolcott High School; Deborah Osvald, Assistant Principal of Wolcott High School; Daniel Caetano, Assistant Principal of Tyrrell Middle School; Christine Lofgren, Wolcott High School Teacher; and Joan Gray, Board Clerk.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mrs. Najarian, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

**Approval of Minutes:**

Motion: by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of June 20, 2016. So voted.

**Communications:**

Thank You notes from a recipient of the Olga Krasnovsky Scholarship  
Thank You note from a Teacher  
Invitations to Freshman Orientation

**Business Manager's Report:**

**Budget Transfers:**

Motion: by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Mrs. Mancini, to authorize the transfer of **\$184,849.33** from fiscal year 2015-2016 presented in the Business Manager's report. So voted.

**Expenditures:**

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, to approve the following expenditures:

To approve the August 2016 payroll expenditure in the amount of **\$855,000.**

To approve expenditures in the amount of **\$154,014.36** paid on July 19, 2016 for fiscal year 2015-2016.

To approve expenditures in the amount of **\$771,668.29** paid on July 19, 2016 for fiscal year 2016-2017.

So voted.

**Superintendent's Report:**

The Superintendent introduced Ms. Lofgren, who is a teacher at Wolcott High School and also the advisor to SkillsUSA. She explained to the Board members about the annual SkillsUSA competition. One of her students, Haley Pollo, won the State competition in the Medical Technology category, and went on to win on the National level. She introduced Haley, who told the Board about her experience. Mrs. Najarian and Dr. Gasper gave her a plaque from the Board commemorating her achievement.

Dr. Gasper continued his report:

- He thanked the Board for their support of technology, and reported the addition of 750 new devices in the schools;
- The District will be upgrading their computer network on August 9, 10 and 11;
- Wolcott Summer Studies Program is running smoothly with additional academic offerings this year;
- He thanked the staff and contractors for their work this summer in preparing the schools' facilities for the coming school year;
- The Wolcott Public Schools Annual Report is in the Board packet for their review;
- He reminded everyone that certified staff return on August 25, and the first day for students is August 29.

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

**Public Comment:**

No one came forward.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Approve – Resignation(s):**

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Lumia, to accept the resignation(s) of:  
1. **Amber Thibeau** in the position of Administrative Assistant to the CASA Grant Director effective June 22, 2016. So voted.

**Rescind a Nomination:**

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, to rescind offers of employment to the following person(s) as indicated:

1. **Angela McIntyre** from the position of Special Education Teacher (18-21 year old population) at Wolcott High School effective immediately;
2. **Jennifer Spino** from the position of Food Service Worker at Wolcott High School effective immediately.

So voted.

**Transfer Between Jobs:**

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

1. **Cheryl Gray** from the position of Secretary to the Principal at Wolcott High School to the position of Purchasing Coordinator for the Business Office effective September 1, 2016;
2. **Judith Sweeney** from the position of 4.0 hour Food Service Worker at Tyrrell Middle School to the position of 5.0 hour Food Service Worker at Tyrrell Middle School effective August 23, 2016.

So voted.

**Approve – Nominations:**

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

1. **Steve Dreifach** to the position of Special Education Teacher (18-21 year old population) at Wolcott High School effective August 25, 2016;
2. **Julie Fell** to the position of Special Education Teacher at Wolcott High School effective August 25, 2016;
3. **Megan Lefevre** to the position of Grade 1 Teacher at Frisbie Elementary School effective August 25, 2016.

So voted.

**Permission to Teach a 6<sup>th</sup> Class:**

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, to approve teaching a 6<sup>th</sup> class by the following person(s) as indicated:

**Wolcott High School:**

Carrie Fiske	Academic Support. Large Numbers per IEP's
David Niemitz	STEP English
Steve Jasulavic	STEP Science
Will Balanda	Modern History
John Waitkus	Algebra II, College and Career

**Tyrrell Middle School:**

Lisa Tassinari          French  
So voted.

**Adopt a Textbook – Initial Vote:**

Motion:          by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Mrs. Mancini, to adopt on initial vote the following textbook:

1. Biology, by Dr. Kenneth Miller & Dr. Joseph Levine, Publisher is Pearson Education, Copyright 2014, for Grades 9-12.

So voted.

**Approve the 2015-2016 Wolcott Public Schools' Annual Report:**

Motion:          by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Mrs. Mancini, to approve the 2015-2016 Wolcott Public Schools' Annual Report. So voted.

**Authorization to Relocate the Phoenix Alternative Program:**

Motion:          by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Mrs. Mancini, to approve relocating the Phoenix Alternative Program to the Wolcott High School building.

So voted.

**Adopt the District Data Growth Plan:**

Motion:          by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, to adopt the District Growth Plan as presented by the Superintendent. So voted.

**Committee Reports:**

Mrs. Mancini reported that the Finance Committee met earlier and discussed pending invoices, budget reports, the transfer summary sheet, and the internal service report.

Mrs. Najarian said the Operations and Programs Committee met and reviewed a new Biology textbook for the high school.

**Time for the Public:**

No one came forward.

**Items for the Next Agenda:**

Final vote to adopt a Biology textbook for the high school.

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 go into Executive Session for discuss certified and non-certified employee matters. So voted.

Motion:          by Mr. Lerz, seconded by Mr. Buzzelli, to come out of Executive

Session and reconvene the regular meeting at 8:35 p.m. So voted.

**Approval to Extend Benefits:**

Motion: by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, to approve one hundred (100) additional hospice care visits for a teacher on disability leave.  
*The motion passed unanimously.*

**Authorization to Transfer Staff:**

Motion: by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Mr. Lerz, to authorize the Superintendent to execute two involuntary transfers in accordance with the WPSAC contract effective August 8, 2016.  
*The motion passed unanimously.*

**Approve a Nomination:**

Motion: by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, to appoint the following person(s) as indicated:  
1. **Megan Patchkovsky** to the position of Central Office Administrative Specialist for the Wolcott Public Schools with the effective start date subject to availability.  
*The motion passed unanimously.*

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion: by Mr. Gugliotti, seconded by Mr. Buzzelli, to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:00 p.m. So voted.

Note: During the summer months, the Board of Education meetings are not videotaped, and as result are not available to be viewed on the WLCT96 site on the Town of Wolcott's website, [www.wolcottct.org](http://www.wolcottct.org).

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

A special meeting of the Board of Education was held on August 5-6, 2016, at Alcott Elementary School. In attendance were: Patricia Najarian, Chairman of the Board; Gloria Gubitosi, Vice Chairman of the Board; Kimberly Lumia, Secretary of the Board; Thomas Buzzelli, Gloria Clair, Anthony Gugliotti, and Arthur Lerz Sr., all Board members. Also in attendance: Dr. Anthony Gasper, Superintendent of Schools.

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. on August 5, 2016 by Mrs. Najarian.

The Board received a presentation on Connecticut's Freedom of Information Act and its impact on Boards of Education by Thomas Hennick from the State of Connecticut's FOI Commission.

The Board took a 10 minute recess at 7:45 p.m.

Mrs. Najarian reconvened the meeting.

Dr. Gasper led a discussion on the Board of Education's goals and objectives and the potential need for revision.

At 8:40 p.m., Mrs. Najarian called for a motion to recess the meeting.

Motion: by Mr. Buzzelli, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, to recess the meeting until 8:30 a.m., August 6, 2016. The motion passed unanimously.

Saturday, August 6, 2016, the meeting was reconvened at 9:00 a.m. by Mrs. Najarian. All the above Board Members were present and Dr. Gasper.

Nick Caruso from CABA (Connecticut Association of Boards of Education) gave the Board a presentation on the Lighthouse Program.

The Board recessed for lunch at 11:30 p.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 1:00 p.m. All above members and Dr. Gasper were present.

Attorney Craig Meuser gave the Board a legislative update.



Dr. Gasper presented major projects for the 2016-2017 school year.

The Board discussed and took action on the following personnel issues:

Motion: by Mr. Lerz, seconded by Mrs. Lumia, to accept the resignations of:

1. **C. John Busa** in the position of Custodian at Wolcott High School for the purpose of retirement effective on August 31, 2016;
2. **Jason Creem** in the position of Science Teacher at Wolcott High School effective July 26, 2016;
3. **Lisa Riggi** in the following positions effective July 29, 2016:
  - WHS Athletic Director
  - District P.E. & Wellness Coordinator
  - WHS Department Head
  - Physical Education Teacher WHS, Wakelee, & Frisbie Schools
  - Summer Studies Director

So voted.

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

1. **Carin Grunwald** from the position of Cook at Frisbie Elementary School to the position of Part-time Office Assistant (CASA Grant) effective August 17, 2016;
2. **Jessica Morytko** from the position of 10- Month Secretary at Wolcott High School to the position of 12-Month Secretary at Wolcott High School effective September 1, 2016;
3. **Robert Nagashima** from the position of Principal at Wakelee Elementary School to the position of Assistant Principal at Wolcott High School effective August 8, 2016;
4. **Deborah Osvald** from the position of Assistant Principal at Wolcott High School to the position of Principal at Wakelee Elementary School effective August 8, 2016.

So voted.

Motion: by Mrs. Gubitosi, seconded by Mr. Lerz, to appoint the following person(s) as indicated:

1. **Whitney Goodman & Karen Sherman** to the position of Math Intervention Co-Tutors at Tyrrell Middle School effective August 25, 2016. The position has combined salaries which should not exceed .45 FTE;
2. **Shannon Murphy** to the position of Varsity Dance Coach at Wolcott High School for the Fall 2016 and the Winter 2016-2017 seasons pending receipt of her coaching certification prior to the start of the sport season.

So voted.

Motion: by Mr. Buzzelli, seconded by Mrs. Lumia, to approve a contract for Megan Patchkofsky in the position of Central Office Administrative Specialist from August 15, 2016 to June 30, 2019.  
So voted.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Motion: by Ms. Lumia, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, to go into Executive Session to discuss certified & non-certified personnel matters. So voted.

Motion: by Mrs. Gubitosi, seconded by Mrs. Lumia, to come out of Executive Session and reconvene the special meeting. So voted.

Motion: by Mr. Gugliotti, seconded by Mr. Lertz, to approve salary changes as indicated for the following person(s) effective on September 1, 2016:

Andrew Bundock      \$45,000

Erich Urban            \$53,000

So voted.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Motion: by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, to go into Executive Session for the purpose of conducting the Superintendent's evaluation. So voted.

Motion: by Mr. Gugliotti, seconded by Mrs. Lumia, to come out of Executive Session and reconvene the special meeting. So voted.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion: by Mrs. Gubitosi, seconded by Mr. Buzzelli, to adjourn the special meeting at 6:00 p.m. So voted.

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – August 22, 2016**

**RESOLUTION:                    BUDGET TRANSFER(S)**

**Resolution** from Dr. Anthony Gasper, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation

To authorize the transfer of **\$329,210.57** from fiscal year 2015-2016 as presented in the Business Manager's report.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – August 22, 2016

**RESOLUTION:                    EXPENDITURES**

**Resolution** from Dr. Anthony Gasper, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation

To approve the September 2016 payroll expenditure in the amount of **\$1,640,000.**

To approve expenditures in the amount of **\$250,272.63** paid on August 23, 2016 for fiscal year 2015-2016.

To approve expenditures in the amount of **\$688,885.59** paid on August 23, 2016 for fiscal year 2016-2017.

# Wolcott Public Schools

Superintendent of Schools

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Kevin Hollis

August 16, 2016

Dear Wolcott Colleagues,

Welcome back! I hope that you've had a restful and rejuvenating vacation. Time with family and friends is always the best medicine to recover from a rigorous school year. Firstly, I'd like to recognize the hard work of our custodial, maintenance, and IT staff during this summer. You will be coming back to clean, bright, and upgraded facilities thanks to their efforts. I would also like to thank the rest of your twelve-month staff. The school administrators, business office, and central office have all been busy getting ready for your and the kids' return.

Attached to this letter you will find a "by the numbers" summary of our school district's recent progress. I am excited about what you, the Board, and I achieved last year and am looking forward to another great year in 2016-2017. On this document you will see a variety of accomplishments that are worthy of celebration ranging from elementary school to high school; from academics to athletics. To continue and expand upon these successes, there will be a small number of important areas of focus for the coming year:

- **Implement the new District Growth Plan.** I deeply appreciate the 26 volunteers from teaching, counseling, the Board, and administrative staff who served on our District Data Team, we have an excellent road map to take us forward. The Board of Education acknowledged the work of constructing the DGP by ratifying it at their July 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. The DGP will serve as a guidepost for all that we do.
- **Implement School Data Teams:** For me, there is no more powerful way to serve kids than to ensure that adults are making frequent well-informed decisions about what we teach and how we teach it. To this end, each school will convene a school data team this year. Whether directly or indirectly, your school data team will be a way for you to contribute to important decisions impacting your school. While each school may name their team something different, these teams will have a few critical things in common: monthly meetings, representation from a variety of faculty, focus on both student data and adult actions, and an expectation of flexibility and candor. I deeply believe that when we have frequent, structured, informed, and purposeful conversations, we improve our own practice and thereby see improved outcomes for students across all subject areas.
- **Support teachers in the implementation of new math resources and assessment system K-8:** I am thankful for the Board's support in approving and purchasing Envision 2.0 and i-Ready for these grades. When I began here in Wolcott, you told me that

learning resources were a concern. I'm excited that we have begun to address this need. We are committed to providing thorough training and support as we start to work with these tools. We have negotiated with these vendors to include several in-district PD days to be delivered by experts. You will also see a wide variety of relevant PD topics in our system's PD Plan for 2016-2017.

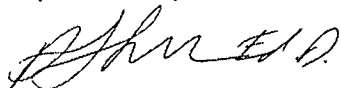
- **Establishing pathways of study for high school students:** This topic has been under discussion for some time now. This year, we'll establish our first set of pathways that help students and their families understand how to purposefully select courses that are targeted at their prospective career of interest. These will be designed flexibly to allow students to change pathways when appropriate. Each pathway will show students ways in which to earn college credit while still in high school.

We are lucky to work in a profession with an intrinsic sense of purpose. Wolcott's kids are counting on us to get them ready for success in the world beyond the classroom. I encourage all of us to remember this purpose and to use it to guide us through the occasional tough day or two in the school year ahead. Earlier this year, the District Data Team viewed a brief TED Talk by Simon Sinek about purpose. I encourage you to take a few minutes to view it as well; it's one of my favorites: [VIDEO LINK](#)

I look forward to the 2016-2017 school year with excitement and optimism! As I have toured the district and visited many classrooms in my first nine months in Wolcott, I have been duly impressed and feel confident that we have a strong corps of educators here in our school system. Your dedication is what assures me that we will collaborate and see greater and greater successes in the future.

I am looking forward to seeing you at convocation at the Tyrrell Middle School auditorium at 8:45 a.m. on Thursday, August 25, 2016. Please arrive promptly so that we can begin on time. I'm anxious to begin this year's work with you!

In partnership,

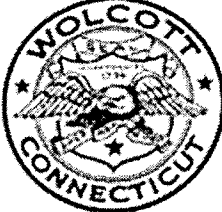


Tony Gasper, Ed.D.

Superintendent of Schools

# WOLCOTT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

BY THE NUMBERS: CHANGES FROM 2015 TO 2016

<p>Number of additional computing devices</p> <p><b>↗ 875</b></p> <p>Students at WHS and TMS will see big increases</p>	<p>Number of subjects with newly revised curriculum</p> <p><b>18</b></p> <p>Updated curricula span the K-12 range</p>	<p>Students who will experience new mathematics resources</p> <p><b>↗ 1,446</b></p> <p>All students in grades K-8</p>
<p>Students in UCONN classes at WHS who earn college credit</p> <p><b>↗ 6.25%</b></p> <p>87.5% to 93.5%</p>	<p>8<sup>th</sup> grade students' excellence in Spanish</p> <p><b>86%</b></p> <p>National Spanish Exam</p>	<p>Facebook followers since December 2015</p> <p><b>↗ 771</b></p> <p>Since page was re-launched</p>
<p>State, league, and division athletics championships</p> <p><b>10</b></p> <p>81 students named NVL All Academics</p>		<p>Students earning a score of three or better on AP exam</p> <p><b>↗ 5.2%</b></p> <p>Participation in AP classes also improved</p>
<p>Growth in ELA SBAC scores from 2015 to 2016</p> <p><b>↗ 6.0%</b></p> <p>Nearly twice the state average growth of 3.5%</p>	<p>Classrooms that will benefit from new assessments</p> <p><b>55</b></p> <p>All students K-8 will utilize i-Ready three times / year</p>	<p>Growth in math SBAC scores from 2015 to 2016</p> <p><b>↗ 9.0%</b></p> <p>More than twice the state average growth of 4.4%</p>

## Fundraiser Report August 22, 2016

DATE	SCHOOL	GROUP/PERSON	DESCRIPTION OF FUNDRAISER
2016-17	Frisbie	PTO	Sell boxes of cards throughout the school year
Aug 26	WHS	Girls Soccer	Alumni Game - sell baked goods, t-shirts & raffles
Sept 1-10	WHS	Volleyball Ace Club	Sell mums
Sept 4	WHS	Volleyball Ace Club	\$5 Car Wash



**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – August 22, 2016**

**RESOLUTION:                    ADOPT A TEXTBOOK**

**Resolution** from Dr. Anthony Gasper, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation

**To adopt on final vote the following textbook:**

1. **Biology, by Dr. Kenneth Miller & Dr. Joseph Levine, Publisher is Pearson Education, Copyright 2014, for Grades 9-12.**

(See Attached)

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – August 22, 2016**

**RESOLUTION:                   TRANSFER BETWEEN JOB(S)**

**Resolution** from Dr. Anthony Gasper, 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. **Kari Prescott** from the position of Paraprofessional in the Pre-School at Alcott Elementary School to the position of Special Education Paraprofessional at Alcott Elementary School effective August 29, 2016.

(See attached)

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – August 22, 2016

RESOLUTION:                    NOMINATION(S)

Resolution from Dr. Anthony Gasper, 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. **Jennifer Belisle** to the position of Food Service Worker at Frisbie Elementary School effective August 23, 2016;
2. **Nicholas D’Andrea** to the position of Integrated Science 9-12 Teacher at Wolcott High School effective August 25, 2015;
3. **Gina Effrece** to the position of .45 Numeracy Teacher at Alcott Elementary School effective for the 2016-2017 school year;
4. **Carrie Fiske** to the position of District Webmaster effective for the 2016-2017 school year;
5. **Kim Magaldi** to the position of Food Service Cook at Frisbie Elementary School effective August 23, 2016;
6. **Jim Maisto** to the position of Junior Varsity Boys Basketball Coach at Wolcott High School effective for the 2016-2017 school year;
7. **Alexander Casasula Morales** to the position of Long-Term Substitute Spanish Teacher at Tyrrell Middle School as per CSDE guidelines effective for the 2016-2017 school year;
8. **Danielle Schweikher** to the position of .45 Numeracy Teacher at Wakelee Elementary School effective for the 2016-2017 school year;
9. **Kimberly Stein** to the position of .45 Numeracy Teacher at Frisbie Elementary School effective for the 2016-2017 school year;
10. **Tammi Treen** to the position of District Substitute Coordinator for the Wolcott Public Schools effective for the 2016-2017 school year;
11. **Stacy Tumel** to the position of 10 Month Secretary at Wolcott High School effective September 1, 2016;
12. **2016-2017 Sports Volunteers** for Wolcott High School as follows:
  - a. **Football-Varsity/JV**  
Pete Pace  
Joe Lynch  
Jay Prescott  
Tony Bell

b. **Football-Freshman**

John Kiely

Jim Maisto

Tug Drysdale

c. **Cheerleading**

Jamie Gaudiosi

Monica Grey

(See attached)

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

August 22, 2016

Minutes of July 18, 2016

Operations & Programs Committee

Finance Committee

WOLCOTT PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT

OPERATIONS & PROGRAMS COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF JULY 18, 2016

A meeting of the Wolcott Public Schools' Operations & Programs Committee was held on Monday, July 18, 2016, at Tyrrell Middle School. In attendance were: Patricia Najarian, Chairman of the Board; Gloria Gubitosi, Vice Chairman of the Board; Kimberly Lumia, Secretary of the Board of Education; Thomas Buzzelli, Anthony Gugliotti, Arthur Lerz, and Cynthia Mancini all Board members. Also in attendance: Dr. Anthony Gasper, Superintendent of Schools, Frank Purcaro, Director of Student Learning and Teaching; and Joseph Monroe, Principal of Wolcott High School.

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by Mrs. Najarian.

The Committee reviewed a possible new Biology textbook for Wolcott High School and received further information from Mr. Purcaro and Mr. Monroe.

**Approve – a Textbook:**

Motion: by Mr. Buzzelli, seconded by Mr. Gugliotti, to recommend to the Board of Education to adopt on initial vote the following textbook:

1. Biology, by Dr. Kenneth Miller & Dr. Joseph Levine, Publisher is Pearson Education, Copyright 2014, for Grades 9-12.

So voted.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion: by Mr. Gugliotti, seconded by Mrs. Mancini, to adjourn the Operations & Programs Committee meeting at 6:55 p.m. So voted.

WOLCOTT PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT

FINANCE COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF JULY 18, 2016

A meeting of the Wolcott Public Schools' Finance Committee was held on Monday, July 18, 2016, at Tyrrell Middle School. In attendance were: Cynthia Mancini, Chair of the Finance Committee; Patricia Najarian, Chairman of the Board; Gloria Gubitosi, Vice Chairman of the Board; Kimberly Lumia, Secretary of the Board; Thomas Buzzelli, Anthony Gugliotti, and Arthur Lerz, all Board members. Also in attendance: Dr. Anthony Gasper, Superintendent of Schools and Todd Bendtsen, Business Manager.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mrs. Mancini.

The Committee discussed vendor invoices, budget transfers, the Internal Service Report and June Health claims.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion: by Mr. Buzzelli, seconded by Mr. Gugliotti, to adjourn the Finance Committee meeting at 7:15 p.m. So voted.