



# OUR FUTURE IS IN CHILDREN'S EDUCATION

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

**ALCOTT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
CAFETERIA**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT  
JANUARY 14, 2019**

*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. Special Meeting of December 10, 2018
- B. Regular Meeting of December 10, 2018
- C. Special Meeting of January 7, 2019

**III. Committee Reports**

**IV. Communications**

**V. Business Manager's Report**

- A. Expenditures

**VI. Superintendent's Report**

- A. Dr. Gasper's Report
- B. Alcott School's "Where the Songs Come From"

**VII. Public Comment**

**VIII. Old Business**

- A. Adopt Revised Policies/Regulations - Final Vote

**IX. New Business**

- A. Nominations
- B. Bid for WHS Photography Services

- C. Consent Agenda
  - 1. Retirement(s)
  - 2. Resignation(s)
  - 3. Grant Award(s)
  - 4. Dispose of Equipment

X. Time for the Public

XI. Items for the Next Agenda

XII. Adjournment

Note:

Finance Committee at 6:15 p.m. in the Alcott School Najarian Board Room:

- 1. Business Manager's Report
- 2. Expenditures
- 3. Review Videographer Bid
- 4. Photographer Bid
- 5. Time for the Public

Operations and Programs Committee at 6:45 in the Alcott School Najarian Board Room:

- 1. WHS Course of Studies Presentation
- 2. Proposed Policy Edits
- 3. Time for the Public

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WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT**

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The meeting was called to order at 6:45 p.m. by Mrs. DelBuono Bartlett.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Motion: by Ms. Leonard, seconded by Mr. Charette, to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing documents related to the superintendent's evaluation.

Motion: by Mr. D'Angelo, seconded by Mr. Buzzelli, to come out of Executive Session and reconvene the special meeting.  
So voted.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion: by Mr. Gugliotti, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to adjourn the special meeting at 7:26 p.m. So voted.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT**

A meeting of the Board of Education was held on Monday, December 10, 2018, at Tyrrell Middle School. In attendance were: Lori DelBuono Bartlett, Chairman of the Board; Cynthia Mancini, Vice Chairman of the Board; Roberta Leonard, Secretary of the Board; Thomas Buzzelli, Christopher Charette, Kathleen Cordone, Paul D'Angelo, Anthony Gugliotti and Kelly Mazza, all board members. Also in attendance: Dr. Anthony Gasper, Superintendent of Schools; Frank Purcaro, Assistant Superintendent of Schools; Todd Bendtsen, Business Manager; Kevin Hollis, Director of Student Services; Rosa Ramalhete, Supervisor of Special Education; Walter Drewry, Principal of Wolcott High School; Bryan MacKay, Assistant Principal of Wolcott High School; Joseph Morgan, Assistant Principal of Wolcott High School; Joseph Norcross, Principal of Tyrrell Middle School; Daniel Caetano, Assistant Principal of Tyrrell Middle School; Kimberly Murtaugh, Principal of Frisbie Elementary School; Deborah Osvald, Principal of Wakelee Elementary School; Wayne Natzel, Facilities Director; Matthew Toller, Teacher at Wolcott High School; and Jessica Kenny, Board Clerk.

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by Mrs. DelBuono Bartlett, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Mrs. DelBuono Bartlett then read the Wolcott Public Schools' Mission Statement.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Motion:           by Mr. D'Angelo, seconded by Mrs. Mazza, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 26, 2018. So voted.

**Committee Reports:**

Mrs. Mancini said that the Finance Committee met at 6:15 p.m. and reviewed pending vendor invoices, health claims for December and the projected fund balance. They also reviewed the variable accounts report.

Mr. Gugliotti stated that the Building Committee met on December 3, and the Boilers and Oil Tank project is completed. They received the architect bids for the project of converting classrooms over to the Business Office. They will be reviewing these bids at their next meeting on Monday, December 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Communications:**

Thank You Cards,  
Christmas Cards,  
Rotella Monthly Montage

**Business Manager's Report:****Expenditures:**

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mr. Gugliotti, to approve the following expenditures:  
To approve expenditures in the amount of **\$934,431.08** paid on December 11, 2018 for fiscal year 2018-2019.  
To approve the January 2019 payroll expenditures in the amount of **\$1,450,000** for fiscal year 2018-2019.  
So voted.

**Superintendent's Report:****Workshop:**

Mr. Purcaro, Mr. Drewry, Mr. Morgan, and Mr. Toller gave a presentation on the New Schedule Proposal for Wolcott High School. They explained that starting with the incoming freshman class, class of 2023, they will now be required to have 25 credits to graduate. With the current schedule this will not be likely.

Wolcott High School formed a committee of Administrators and faculty to work on a schedule that would be more suitable to fit the new requirements that are needed for students to graduate. Mr. Morgan visited other schools that are running schedules like the one that Wolcott High School is trying to implement. He received great feedback from these other buildings.

Although this is still a work in progress, Mr. Drewry does have a timeline set to speak to the PTO, parents and students to get more feedback before presenting the final schedule to the Board at a future date.

Motion: by Ms. Leonard, seconded by Mrs. Mancini, to approve the Superintendent's Report.

So voted.

**Public Comment:**

No one came forward.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Nominations:**

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mr. Buzzelli, to approve the following nomination(s) to the position indicated:

1. **Gary Bergin** to the position of .45 Math Interventionist for Tyrrell Middle School effective December 12, 2018,
2. **Brittany DiTota** to the position of Grade 5 Teacher at Wakelee School effective January 02, 2019,
3. **Alicia Maffiolini** to the position of .45 Math Interventionist for Tyrrell Middle School effective December 12, 2018,
4. Volunteer Coaches for Wolcott High School 2018 Winter Season as follows:

<b>Matt Maisto</b>	Boys Basketball
<b>Briana Daniele</b>	Unified - Basketball

So Voted.

**Adopt revised Policies/Regulations – Initial Vote**

Motion: by Mrs. Mazza, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to adopt on initial vote the following revised Board policies and regulations:

- Policy/Regulation 1330 – Community Relations:  
Use of School Facilities
- Policy/Regulation 5141.21 – Students:  
Administering Medications
- Policy/Regulation 5144.1 – Students:  
Use of Physical Force:  
Physical Restraint/ Seclusion/  
Exclusionary Time Out
- Policy/Regulation 6153.1 – Instructions:  
Field Trips and Excursions:  
Procedures for Planning and  
Proposing Overnight Field Trips

So Voted.

**Consent Agenda:**

Motion: by Mr. Buzzelli, seconded by Mr. Charette, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented:

**1. Transfers:**

- a. **Krista Rocco** in the position of Paraprofessional at Wakelee School to the position of Paraprofessional at Alcott School effective December 12, 2018.

**2. Amend an Appointment:**

- a. **Donna Calabro** from the Adult Education Teacher for the District to the position of Adult Education Director for the District for the 2018-2019 school year.

**3. Dispose of Equipment:**

- a. Wolcott High School Media Center request permission to discard the following items:
  - The Wizard Desk Top Laminator which is broken, about 25-30 years old and there are no replacement parts available,
  - Two digital Cameras (Samsung HMX-F90 and Canon FS400) that are broken and beyond repair.
- b. Wolcott High School Auto shop and Maintenance request permission to discard the Miller Matric 355 M.I.G. Welder that is broken, about 40 years old and does not have any replacement parts available.

So voted.

**Time for the Public:**

No one came forward.

**Items for the Next Agenda:**

The next meeting is January 14 and will be at Alcott School.

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

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion: by Mr. Buzzelli, seconded by Mr. Charette, to adjourn the meeting at  
8:32 p.m.  
So voted.

Note: The Board of Education meetings are videotaped, and as result are 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 January 07, 2019 at Alcott School. In attendance were: Lori DelBuono Bartlett, Chairman of the Board; Cynthia Mancini, Vice Chairman of the Board; Roberta Leonard, Secretary of the Board; Thomas Buzzelli, Christopher Charette, Kathleen Cordone, Paul D'Angelo, Anthony Gugliotti, and Kelly Mazza, all Board members. Also in attendance: Dr. Anthony Gasper, Superintendent of Schools, Frank Purcaro, Assistant Superintendent, Todd Bendtsen Business Manager, Kevin Hollis, Director of Special Education, Bryan MacKay, Assistant Principal Wolcott High School, Joseph Morgan, Assistant Principal Wolcott High School, Daniel Caetano, Assistant Principal Tyrrell Middle School, Shawn Simpson, Principal Alcott School, Kimberly Murtaugh, Principal Frisbie School, Deborah Osvold, Principal Wakelee School, Wayne Natzel, Facilities Director, and Jessica Kenny, Board Clerk.

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Mrs. DelBuono Bartlett and the pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mrs. DelBuono Bartlett handed the meeting over to Dr. Gasper, whom went through each line item on the packet "Wolcott Public Schools, Wolcott Board of Education, Proposed Strategic Budget Project: 2019-2020". Dr. Gasper said the line item number and the administrator who is requested the item explained what the Project Name was, what they hoped to achieve with this project, how it will benefit students and teachers, how it supports the BOE Vison of the Graduate and/or strategic actions, how it will support their growth plan and/or accreditation, projected total cost, analysis of pertinent actual spending from prior years and the timeline: will this happen in one step or phases. The Board and the Administrators conversed over the items that the Administrator was presenting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

# COMMITTEE REPORTS

January 14, 2019

Finance Committee – December 10, 2018

**WOLCOTT PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF DECEMBER 10, 2018**

A meeting of the Board of Education's Finance Committee was held on Monday, December 10, 2018, at Tyrrell Middle School. In attendance were: Lori DelBuono Bartlett, Chairman of the Board of Education; Cynthia Mancini, Vice-Chairman of the Board of Education; Paul D'Angelo, and Anthony Gugliotti. Also in attendance: Dr. Anthony Gasper, Superintendent of Schools and Todd Bendtsen, Business Manager.

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m. by Mrs. Mancini.

The Finance Committee reviewed pending vendor invoices, health claims for December and the projected fund balance. They reviewed the variable accounts report, including health claims, projected fund balances, transportation costs and Vo-ag bills.

The meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm. Motion by Tony Gugliotti, seconded by Paul D'Angelo. So voted.

**Resolution No. 01-14-19: 8089**

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – January 14, 2019**

**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 expenditures in the amount of **\$1,213,705.95** paid on January 15, 2019 for fiscal year 2018-2019.

To approve the February 2019 payroll expenditures in the amount of **\$1,485,000** for fiscal year 2018-2019.

WOLCOTT PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT  
SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT  
JANUARY 14, 2019

Two Minute School Highlights:

Alcott:

Frisbie:

Wakelee:

Tyrrell:

Wolcott High:

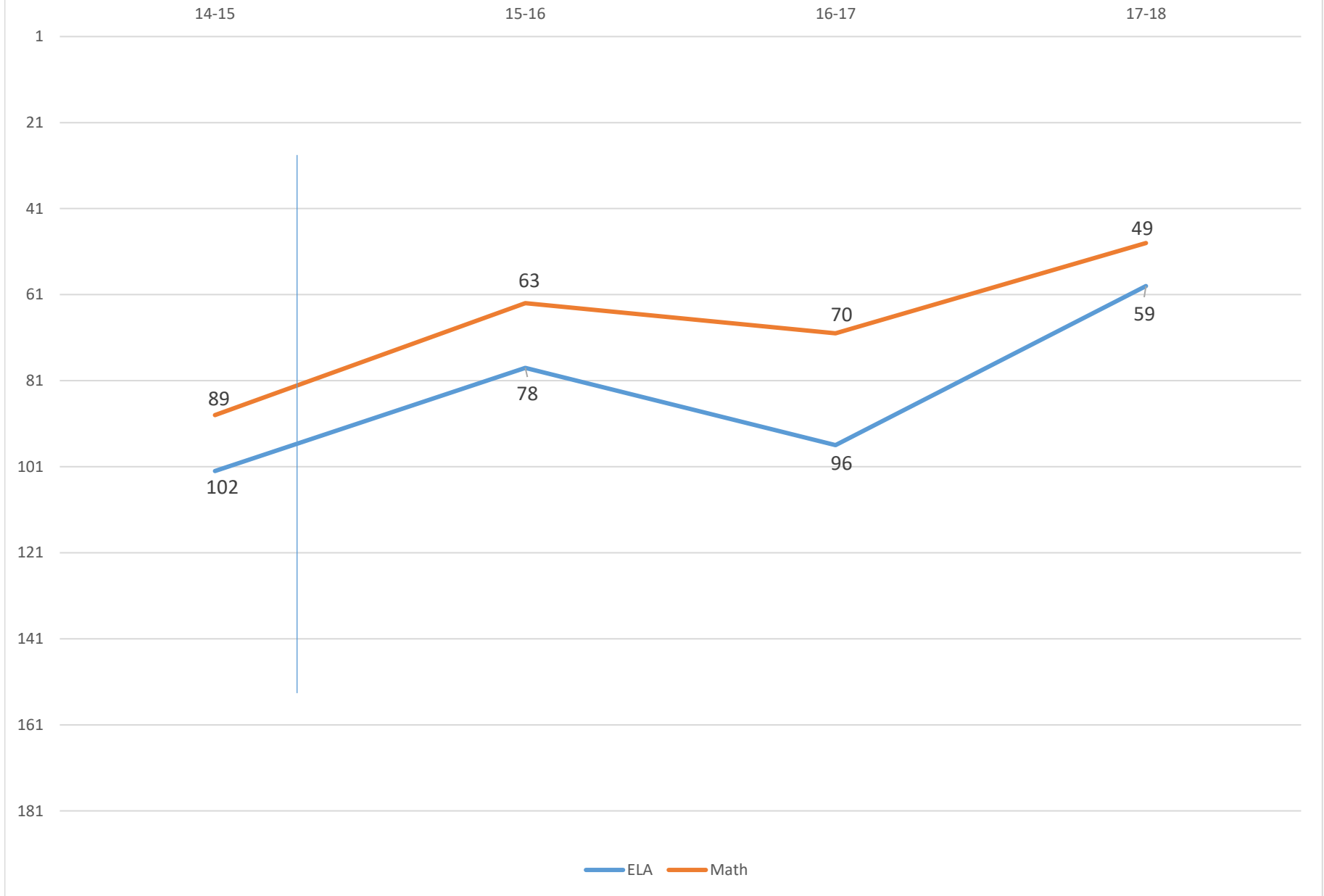
Assistant Superintendent:

We have continued to look at our 2018 SBAC assessment data. In the latest analysis we looked at all students in grades 3-8 in all schools combined into a single number for ELA and one for Math meeting or exceeding targets – giving a look at our overall success on this test. After putting all Connecticut school districts into rank order, these data show that we have made very notable growth over the past three years.

- In 2014-2015, we ranked 102<sup>nd</sup> out of 186 in the state for ELA. We now rank 59<sup>th</sup>...surpassing 43 districts in three years of work.
- Previously we ranked 89<sup>th</sup> in the state for Math. We now rank 49<sup>th</sup>...surpassing 40 districts in three years of work.
- Where previously we were performing on par with districts like Lebanon, Branford, Region 13, and Newington.... we are now tied with North Haven and Shelton and we **outperformed** districts like Bethel, West Hartford, Southington, and Waterford.

We should all be proud of what these data show. While results on state tests show us only one portion of the whole child's learning, this level of growth is rare and is a special achievement for everyone across our district. It truly takes a team of everyone pulling in the same direction: support from the Board of Education, leadership from administrators, hard work by teachers and classroom support staff, and everyone else who contributes to the safe and smooth operation of the district. Thank you and congratulations to all.

### WPS SBAC Rank in State: All Grades Combined



## Conference Attendance Report

**January 14, 2019**

DATE	COST	PERSON(S)	SCHOOL/POSITION	SUB	PRESENTER	TITLE	LOCATION
3.11,3.12,3.13/2019	(M) Only	Jenn Sullivan	AES/Reading Specialist	No	CREC	Wilson Reading Training	Hartford, CT
02/04/19	(M) Only	Joe Morgan	WHS/Asst. Principal	No	CSDE	Principal Workshop Series: A Focus on Math	Cheshire, CT
3/19, 3/20/19	(M) Only	Danielle Deloy	FES/Teacher	Yes	CSDE	Restorative Practices	Hamden, CT
02/26/19	(M) Only	Joe Morgan	WHS/Asst. Principal	No	CollegeBoard	SAT/Test Center Sup Training	New Britain, CT
01/18/19	(M) Only	Diane Mango	AES/Teacher	Yes	NGSS	CT Invention Convention Introduction	Hartford, CT
01/18/19	(M) Only	Kim Bachuretz	FES/Teacher	Yes	NGSS	CT Invention Convention Introduction	Hartford, CT
01/18/19	(M) Only	Brittany Jenkins	WES/Teacher	Yes	NGSS	CT Invention Convention Introduction	Hartford, CT

# Field Trip Report

Wolcott Public Schools

Calendar events from Date : 1/15/2019 - 2/11/2019

Depart Date Time	Return Date Time	Departing Location	Status	Organization	Contact Name
Trip ID	Trip Name	Trip Destination	Trip State	Package Name	Contact Phone
Driver Name(s)					
1/16/2019 7:15:00 AM	1/16/2019 3:15:00 PM	Tyrrell Middle School	Approved	Project Explore-TMS	Conway Pamela
1595	CAS Middle Level Leadership Conference	Trinity College, Hartford, CT	Active		2035920568
1/23/2019 12:30:00 PM	1/23/2019 1:30:00 PM	Wolcott High School	Approved	Grant	Sheehan Nancy
1583	Alcott Pre-school Site Visits	Alcott Elementary School	Active		6037245196
1/24/2019 5:00:00 AM	1/28/2019 9:30:00 PM	Wolcott High School	Approved	WHS Athletics	Guerrera Jillian
1606	Varsity Cheer trip to NCA Championship	Kay Bailey Hutchinson Convention Center Dallas, TX	Active		
1/24/2019 10:30:00 AM	1/24/2019 11:15:00 AM	Wolcott High School	Approved	Student Services	Russo Stephanie
1623	PATs IGAScavenger Hunt	816 Wolcott Rd Wolcott, CT 06716	Active		2035603623
1/25/2019 7:30:00 AM	1/25/2019 1:45:00 PM	Wolcott High School	Approved	Activity Account	Stange Deborah
1599	High Order Thinking through Art	Univ. of Hartford and Wadsworth Athenium, museum Hartford	Active		203-879-8164
1/26/2019 8:30:00 AM	1/26/2019 4:00:00 PM	Wolcott High School	Approved	Activity Account	Jasulavic Steven
1611	Connecticut Ethics Bowl	University of Connecticut, Storrs	Active		
2/6/2019 9:00:00 AM	2/6/2019 1:15:00 PM	Alcott Elementary School	Approved	Alcott School	Tedesco Sara
1624	Shepaug Eagle Viewing-AES 1st Grade	Shepaug Eagle 2150 River Road Southbury, Ct	Active		
2/6/2019 11:30:00 AM	2/6/2019 4:30:00 PM	Wolcott High School	Approved	Board of Education	lofgren chris
1592	SkillsUSA regional Competition	ARMY Guard Base, Middletown	Active		8798164





**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – January 14, 2019**

**RESOLUTION:      ADOPT REVISED POLICIES/REGULATIONS**

**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 revised Board policies and regulations:**

- **Policy/Regulation 1330 – Community Relations:  
Use of School Facilities**
- **Policy/Regulation 5141.21 – Students:  
Administering Medications**
- **Policy/Regulation 5144.1 – Students:  
Use of Physical Force:  
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- **Policy/Regulation 6153.1 – Instructions:  
Field Trips and Excursions:  
Procedures for Planning and Proposing  
Overnight Field Trips**

(See attached)

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – January 14, 2019**

**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. **Brianna Daniele** to the position of Wolcott High School Assistant Indoor Track Coach effective January 15, 2019;
2. **Joseph Dunn** to the position of Security Aide for Wolcott High School effective January 16, 2019;
3. **Charlie Guerrero** to the position of Wolcott High School Assistant Unified Coach effective January 15, 2019;
4. **Amanda Peck** to the position of Paraprofessional at Frisbie Elementary School effective January 15, 2019;
5. **Haley Shoop** to the position of Project Director – Drug Free Communities Grant effective January 18, 2019;
6. **Heidi Thomas** to the position of Special Education Paraprofessional at Wakelee Elementary School effective January 15, 2019.

(See attached)

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – January 14, 2019**

**RESOLUTION: BID FOR WOLCOTT HIGH SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHY SERVICES**

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

To enter into a contract with **Impressions Studio** for photography services at Wolcott High School from 2/1/2019 to 1/31/2021 using the attached rates.

(see attached)

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – January 14, 2019

**RESOLUTION:                    CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED:**

**1. Resignation(s):**

- a. **Samantha Chuck** in the position of Assistant Indoor Track Coach at Wolcott High School effective immediately;
- b. **Catherine DeNegris** in the position of Special Education Paraprofessional at Wolcott High School for the purpose of retirement effective at the end of the 2018-2019 school year;
- c. **Matthew Hove** in the position of Weight Lifting Co-Coach at Wolcott High School effective immediately.

**2. Grant Award(s):**

- a. **To approve and accept the Wolcott Education Foundation's Grant as Follows:**  
**Heather Pytel and Pam Conway                    \$1,100.00**  
**Location: Tyrrell Middle School**  
**Project Title: Bring Shakesperience to Tyrrell**
  
- b. **To approve and accept the New England Dairy and Food Council's Grant as Follows:**  
**Eileen Girgenti    1 hot chocolate dispenser and \$151.00 for the**  
**purchase of promotion incentives**  
**Location: Wolcott High School**  
**Project Name: Hot Chocolate Milk Program**

**3. Dispose of Equipment**

**Alcott School**

58 student desks  
9 computer tables and carts  
2 file cabinet  
3 old shelving units  
102 combo desk/chairs  
108 student chairs

1 office chair  
1 TV with cart  
2 portable tack boards  
1 freezer (unrepairable)

Request permission to donate or recycle dispose following:  
Approximately 100 PCs and Monitors 1 old printer  
8 old smart boards (2 at Frisbie)

### **Frisbie School**

24 old faded metal chairs  
Old water softener tank (no longer required)  
4 café tables (in disrepair)  
8 circle café tables (in disrepair)  
1 chalkboard  
Rug (sat through a flood)  
Old gym divider (broken)  
69 wooden Wakelee student desks  
Old wooden computer desk  
5 pull down screens (replaced by technology)  
Kindergarten wooden play refrigerator, stove playset that has been replaced

### **Wakelee School**

5 old teacher's desks that have been replaced

### **Tyrrell School**

Floor machine (unrepairable)  
Carpet Machine (unrepairable- both units from 2000 renovation)

(See attached)