



# OUR FUTURE IS IN CHILDREN'S EDUCATION

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

**WOLCOTT HIGH SCHOOL  
RESOURCE CENTER**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT  
March 25, 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. Regular Meeting of March 11, 2019**

**III. Committee Reports**

**IV. Communications**

**V. Business Manager's Report**

**A. Expenditures**

**VI. Superintendent's Report**

**A. Workshop**

**1. iLeap - Cracking the Code - Ms. Warzecha**

**2. Excel Club - Ms. Devaney**

**3. NEASC Report and Recommendations - Mr. Drewry, Mr. Jasulavic and Mrs Thies.**

**VII. Public Comment**

**VIII. Old Business**

**A. Discussion of Facilities**

- IX. **New Business**
  - A. **Adopt 2019-2020 Wolcott Public School's Budget**
  - B. **Nomination(s)**
  - C. **Approve the Board of Education 2019-2020 Schedule - Initial Vote**
  - D. **Consent Agenda**
    - 1. **Resignation(s)**
    - 2. **Out of State/Overnight Field Trips**
    - 3. **Amend Something Previously Approved**
    - 4. **Grant Awards**

X. **Time for the Public**

XI. **Items for the Next Agenda**

XII. **Adjournment**

**Note:**

**Committee of the Whole 6:30 p.m. in the WHS Virtual Learning Lab:**

- 1. **Business Manager's Report**
- 2. **Expenditures**
- 3. **Discussion on the 2019 - 2020 Budget**
- 4. **Required Permissions to Raze Smyth House**
- 5. **Proposed Donation of Scoreboards for WHS Softball and Baseball**
- 6. **Time for the Public**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education was held on Monday, March 11, 2019, 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; Shawn Simpson, Alcott Elementary School Principal; Kimberly Murtaugh, Principal of Frisbie Elementary School; Deborah Osvald, Principal of Wakelee Elementary School; Wayne Natzel, Facilities Director; Joanna Mumley, Tyrrell Middle School Teacher; Holly Werenko, Tyrrell Middle School Teacher; and Jessica Kenny, Board Clerk.

The meeting was called to order at 7:36 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 Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 11, 2019. So voted.
- Motion: by Mrs. Mazza, seconded by Mr. D'Angelo, to approve the minutes of the special meeting of February 21, 2019. So voted.
- Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mr. Charette, to approve the minutes of the special meeting of February 25, 2019. So voted.
- Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to approve the minutes of the special meeting of February 26, 2019. So voted.

**Committee Reports:**

A Committee of the Whole meeting was held at 6:15 p.m., during the meeting Finance topics were reviewed. They went over the business managers report. In addition, they discussed pending vendor invoices and transfers. They also reviewed the variable accounts report. Lastly, they discussed February Health Claims and the projected fund balance.

Also, during the meeting Facilities discussed the Smyth House Demolition, which included pricing, hazardous materials, Resource services and asbestos inspection. Lastly, they discussed upgrades to the Wolcott High School boy's locker room, changing stalls and the cost of this project.

**Communications:**

Thank You Cards,  
Invitation to the Wolcott Chamber of Commerce 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner & Awards,  
Invitation to the Exchange Club-Public Service Awards 2019,  
Invitation to the Wolcott High School SHAPE Banquet,  
Rotella Monthly Montage.

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

- Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Mazza, to approve the following Budget Transfers:  
To authorize the transfer of **\$138,850.87** from fiscal year 2018-2019 as presented in the Business Manager's report.  
So voted.
- Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mr. Gugliotti, to approve the following expenditures:  
To approve expenditures in the amount of **\$1,022,998.90** paid on February 15, 2019 for fiscal year 2018-2019.  
To approve the April 2019 payroll expenditures in the amount of **\$1,495,000** for fiscal year 2018-2019.  
So voted.

**Superintendent's Report:**

There was presentation given by the Grade 7 English and Language Arts Teachers and Students. Ms. Mumley and Ms. Werenko explained the podcast project that Grade 7 participated in. Students learned about podcast, worked with a partner and shared their podcast when they were done. Students spoke of the project and explained how it taught them to take a deep breath and revise work and also to never give up. Another group said it gave them new perspective on doing class work. Explained the teamwork, and trial and error. The last group explained how they learned from their mistakes and how they learned to make a podcast.

Principals gave their two minute highlights. Dr. Gasper gave a report about his testimony before the Education Committee of the Connecticut General Assembly on March 1. He went on to tell some of the information that he shared with the general assembly at that meeting and spoke of regionalization.

Motion: by Ms. Leonard, seconded by Mr. Buzzelli, to approve the Superintendent's Report.

So voted.

**Public Comment:**

No one came forward.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Discussion of Facilities – Policy 7000**

The Board had a discussion on the concerns they have about facilities. Buildings need attention. It was also mentioned that the Board needs to go over Policy 7000, possible changes may need to be made and a policy meeting should be held.

**Approval 2019-2020 School Calendar – Final Vote**

Motion: by Ms. Leonard, seconded by Mrs. Mazza, to approve on Final Vote the 2019-2020 school calendar.

So Voted.

**Approval 2020-2021 School Calendar – Final Vote**

Motion: by Mr. Charette, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to Approve on Final Vote the 2020-2021 School Calendar.

So Voted.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Nominations:**

Motion: by Mr. D'Angelo, seconded by Mr. Gugliotti, to approve the following nomination(s) to the position indicated:

1. **Joseph Albiach** to the position of Varsity Boys Tennis Coach at Wolcott High School pending certification effective March 16, 2019;
2. **Gabrielle Gallucci** to the position of Varsity Softball Coach at Wolcott High School effective March 16, 2019;
3. **John Kiely** to the position of Freshman Baseball Co-Coach at Wolcott High School effective March 16, 2019;
4. **Jim Maisto** to the position of Freshman Baseball Co-Coach at Wolcott High School effective March 16, 2019;
5. **Robert Moffo** to the position of Softball Coach at Tyrrell Middle School effective March 13, 2019;
6. **Chris Theriault** to the position of Assistant Girls Track Coach at Wolcott High School effective March 16, 2019;

**7. WHS 2019 Sports Volunteers:**

Dominic Angiolillo	Baseball 2019 Season
Charlie Guerrero	Baseball 2019 Season
Tim Jackson	Baseball 2019 Season (Pending Temp Permit)
Lisa Novakowski	Softball 2019 Season
Shelby Slie-Lorusso	Softball 2019 Season
Tony Bell	Boys Lacrosse 2019 Season
Dean Bard	Boys Lacrosse 2019 Season (Pending Temp Permit)
Chris Bendtsen	Outdoor Track & Field 2019 Season
So Voted.	

**Rescind A Nomination:**

Motion: by Mr. Buzzelli, seconded by Mr. D'Angelo, to rescind a nomination for G.B. in the position of .45 Math Interventionist at Tyrrell Middle School effective immediately.  
So Voted.

**Consent Agenda:**

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mr. Buzzelli, to approve the Consent Agenda as read:

1. **Resignations:**
  - a. **Robert Moffo** in the position of Head Track Coach at Tyrrell Middle School, effective immediately;
2. **Out of State/Overnight Field Trips:**
  - a. **Wolcott High School's Varsity Cheerleading Team (24)** requests permission to go to **Western NE Regional Cheerleading Championship from March 15<sup>th</sup> – March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019** to compete at the **NE Regional Cheerleading Championship as the CT Class M Championships;**
  - b. **Tyrrell Middle School's 7<sup>th</sup> grade Science (20)** requests permission to go to **Florida Keys and Everglades from June 22<sup>nd</sup> – June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019** to learn more about **NGSS: MS-LS2-1-4 (relationship between organisms and their environment);**
3. **Out of State Conference(s):**
  - a. **To approve the following out-of-state conferences:**
4. **Mary-Alice Connor**, School Nurse at Frisbie School, request permission to attend the **New England School Nurse Conference**, being held at the **Vermont School Nurses' Association at Hilton Lake Champlain, Burlington, VT**, from **May 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019.**
5. **Dispose of Equipment:**
  - a. **To give Wolcott High School permission to dispose of a Polycom Teleconference SoundStation EX, serial number 12111742,**

located in the Administrative Conference Room. The phone does not work properly due to the outdated frequency.

- b. To give Alcott School permission to recycle/donate/dispose of 13 cafeteria tables that are no longer repairable and have been recently replaced with new units.

So Voted.

**Time for the Public:**

No one came forward.

**Items for the Next Agenda:**

The next meeting is February 11 and will be at Frisbie 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 8:24 p.m.  
So voted.

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## COMMITTEE REPORTS

March 25, 2019

Committee of the Whole – March 11, 2019

Finance Committee – Budget Hearing – March 11, 2019



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The meeting was called to order at 6:17 p.m. by Mrs. DelBuono Bartlett.

Finance topics during the meeting were the review of the business managers report. In addition they discussed pending vendor invoices and transfers. They also reviewed the variable accounts report. Lastly they discussed February Health Claims and the projected fund balance.

Also, during the meeting Facilities discussed the Smyth House Demolition, which included pricing, hazardous materials, Resource services and asbestos inspection. Lastly they discussed upgrades to the Wolcott High School boys locker room, changing stalls and the cost of this project.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion:           by Mr. Buzzelli, seconded by Mr. D'Angelo, to adjourn the meeting at  
6:55 p.m.  
So voted.

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

A Budget Hearing of the Board of Education's Finance Committee was held at Tyrrell Middle School on Monday, March 11, 2019. Present were: Lori DelBuono Bartlett, Chairman of the Board; Cynthia Mancini, Vice Chairman of the Board; Roberta Leonard, Thomas Buzzelli, Christopher Charette, Kathleen Cordone, Paul D'Angelo, Anthony Gugliotti, and Kelly Mazza, all Board Members. Also in attendance were: Dr. Anthony Gasper, Superintendent of Schools; Todd Bendtsen, Business Manager; and Jessica Kenny, Board Clerk.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mrs. DelBuono Bartlett.

Dr. Gasper, Superintendent of Schools, gave a presentation on the proposed 2019-2020 Wolcott Public Schools' Budget.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

The following Wolcott residents commented on the Superintendent's budget:

Edward Hawthorne, 53 Woodward Drive, stated that he believes that we should spend more money on Wolcott students. Mr. Hawthorn also spoke of the class sizes raising and the need to add an additional teacher at Frisbie.

Michele Raider, 3 Lakeside Drive, spoke of the Grade 1 class size at Frisbie and the need to add another teacher to Grade 2 for the 2019-2020 school year.

Jessica Tynan-Lynch, 13 Ridgecrest Drive, also spoke of the Frisbie class sizes and the need to add another teacher to Grade 2 for next school year.

Louise DeLeo, 31 Bergen Lane, spoke of the Frisbie Grade 1 class size as well and stated her belief that there needs to be another second grade teacher added to Frisbie for the 2019-2020 school year. Ms. DeLeo also stated that she would like to see a Math interventionist added to Grades K-2 starting next year.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion:           by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to adjourn at 7:32p.m.  
                      So voted.

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**Resolution No. 03-25-19: 8108**

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – March 25, 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 **\$509,129.74** paid on March 26, 2019 for fiscal year 2018-2019.

# SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT WORKSHOP

1. iLeap - Cracking the Code - Ms. Warzecha
2. Excel Club - Ms. Devaney
3. NEASC Report and Recommendations –  
Mr. Drewry, Mr. Jasulavic and Mrs. Thies.

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – March 25, 2019**

**RESOLUTION:     ADOPT 2019-2020 WOLCOTT PUBLIC SCHOOLS' BUDGET**

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

**To adopt the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year Wolcott Public Schools' Budget in the amount of \$35,589,031.**

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – March 25, 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. **Cailah Baranowski** to the position of Paraprofessional at Frisbie Elementary School effective March 27, 2019;
2. **Michelle Brockie** to the position of Paraprofessional at Tyrrell Middle School effective March 27, 2019;
3. **2019-2020 Fall Coaches:**  
**Wolcott High School**

Jill Guerrero	Varsity Cheer
Scott Rossignol	Assistant Cheer
Briana Daniele	Varsity Volleyball
Tyler Meccariello	JV Volleyball
Dale Bartlett	Freshman Volleyball
Chris Riviezzo	Varsity Girls Soccer
Becky Riviezzo	JV Girls Soccer
Bryan Piona	Varsity Boys Soccer
Ron Cyr	JV Boys Soccer
Brittany Garguilo	Head Unified Coach
Alyssa Giedra	Unified Faculty Manager
Charlie Guerrero	Assistant Unified Coach
Brittany Biolo	Varsity Dance (Pending Certification)
4. **WHS 2019 Sports Volunteers:**

Ronald Gambino	Baseball (Pending Certification)
Nicole Putnam	Softball
Chuck Cammarata	Softball

(See attached)

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – March 25, 2019**

**RESOLUTION: BOARD 2019-2020 SCHEDULE**

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

**TO APPROVE ON INITIAL VOTE THE FOLLOWING 2019-2020 SCHEDULE OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING DATES**

	<u>FIRST</u>	<u>SECOND</u>
<b>JULY</b>	<b>8 (Monday)</b>	
<b>AUGUST</b>	<b>12 (Monday)</b>	<b>26 (Monday)</b>
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>9 (Monday)</b>	<b>23 (Monday)</b>
<b>OCTOBER</b>	<b>7 (Monday)</b>	<b>21 (Monday)</b>
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	<b>12 (Tuesday)</b>	<b>25 (Monday)</b>
<b>DECEMBER</b>	<b>9 (Monday)</b>	
<b>JANUARY</b>	<b>13 (Monday)</b>	
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>10 (Monday)</b>	
<b>MARCH</b>	<b>9 (Monday)</b>	<b>23 (Monday)</b>
<b>APRIL</b>	<b>6 (Monday)</b>	<b>27 (Monday)</b>
<b>MAY</b>	<b>11 (Monday)</b>	<b>26 (Tuesday)</b>
<b>JUNE</b>	<b>8 (Monday)</b>	<b>22 (Monday)</b>

**All Board of Education meetings will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Tyrrell Middle School's Large Group Instruction Room unless otherwise indicated.**

**All meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays of the month unless otherwise indicated.**



**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – March 25, 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. Resignations:**

- a. **Alison Artigliere** in the position of Assistant Track Coach at Tyrrell Middle School, effective immediately;
- b. **Tug Drysdale** in the position of Freshman Boys' Basketball Coach at Wolcott High School, effective at the conclusion of the 2018-2019 season;
- c. **Christopher Stapleton** in the position of Paraprofessional at Wolcott High School, effective March 22, 2019.

**2. Out of State/Overnight Field Trips:**

- a. Wolcott High School's Music Department (45) requests permission to go to New York, NY on May 22, 2019 to see the play "Oklahoma" at the Circle in the Square Theater.
- b. Wolcott High School's Outdoor Track Team (TBD) request permission to go to University of Pennsylvania from April 25th – April 28th for a Track meet;
- c. Wolcott High School's Outdoor Track Team (TBD) request permission to go to Thorton Academy, Saco, Maine from June 7th – June 8th for a Track meet.

**3. Amend Something Previously Approved:**

- a. To amend something previously approved as indicated:
  - i. Lisa DeBarba's retirement date from the end of the 2018-2019 school year to May 17, 2019. (change of date only)

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

- a. To approve and accept the Wolcott Education Foundation's Grant as Follows:  
Taylor Palmieri \$725.00  
Location: Frisbie Elementary School  
Project Title: One School, One Book
- b. To approve and accept the Wolcott Education Foundation's Grant as Follows:  
Jennifer Sullivan and Sara Vumbaca \$650.00  
Location: Alcott Elementary School  
Project Title: One School, One Book
- c. To approve and accept the Wolcott Education Foundation's Grant as Follows:  
Sara Vumbaca \$1,104.05  
Location: Frisbie Elementary School  
Project Title: Ceramics Program

(See attached)