

***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. Lerz, 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.