

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT**

A meeting of the Board of Education was held on Monday, August 24, 2020, on Google Meet. In attendance were: Cynthia Mancini, Chairman of the Board; Paul D'Angelo, Vice Chairman of the Board; Roberta Leonard, Secretary of the Board; Kathleen Cordone, Tony Gugliotti, Sean Hughes, Timothy McMurray, and Kelly Mazza. Also in attendance: Anthony Gasper, Superintendent of Schools; Shawn Simpson, Assistant Superintendent; Todd Bendtsen, Business Manager; Kevin Hollis, Director of Student Services; Rosa Ramalhete, Supervisor of Student Services; Joseph Morgan, Assistant Principal of Wolcott High School; Joseph Norcross, Principal of Tyrrell Middle School; Dan Ceatano, Assistant Principal of Tyrrell Middle School; Matt Calabrese, Principal of Alcott School; Kim Murtaugh, Principal of Frisbie School; Deb Osvold, Principal of Wakelee School; Wayne Natzel, Facilities Director; Alex Pagan, Director of Technology; and Jessica Kenny, Board Clerk.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mrs. Cynthia Mancini, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Mrs. Mancini then read the Wolcott Public Schools' Mission Statement.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Motion:           by Mr. Gugliotti, seconded by Mr. D'Angelo, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 10, 2020.  
So voted

APPROVED:



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Cynthia Mancini, BOE Chairman  
Wolcott Public Schools

**Committee Reports:**

A Committee of the Whole meeting was held this evening and topics discussed included the Business Manager's Report, Mr. Bendtsen is going to give an update on two grants that were applied for during his Business Manger's Report. Also discussed was the Job Description for the Bus Monitor position that is on tonight's agenda.

Ms. Leonard gave an ACES update, they discussed the Reopening plan, health insurance, Special Education, Personal Protective Equipment, Human Resource Issues, Hybrid/Online Learning and how it will effect fees from ACES, and the percent that was received by parents who are opting out.

Mrs. Mazza gave a report on the Personnel Committee, they met and discussed the Job Description for the Temporary position of a Bus Monitor.

**Communications:**

A letter from a parent

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

Motion: by Mr. Gugliotti, seconded by Mrs. Mazza, to approve the following expenditures:  
To approve expenditures in the amount of **\$405,507.76** paid on August 25, 2020 for fiscal year 2019-2020.  
To approve expenditures in the amount of **\$107,330.56** paid on August 25, 2020 for fiscal year 2020-2021.  
So voted.

**Transfers:**

Motion: by Mr. D'Angelo, seconded by Mr. Gugliotti, to authorize the transfer of **\$274,023.85** from fiscal year 2019-2020 as presented, in the Business Manager's Report.  
So voted.

**Superintendent's Report:**

Dr. Gasper gave a report and stated that we are still waiting for clarity on athletics from the CIAC. He also said that Mr. Bendtsen and himself have been working with the latchkey Director, Tracey Fitzmorris to see if additional hours could be provided for families that may need childcare during Hybrid Learning. The Superintendent spoke on the Security vestibules at each school. He spoke of the notice that was received by Governor Lamont from the relief fund. Dr. Gasper than spoke of the posting for the Certified Nursing Assistant Temporary Posting. Lastly, he spoke on Convocation and that is was brief and virtual this year.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Adopt a New Job Description:**

Motion: by Mr. Gugliotti, seconded by Ms. Leonard to adopt the new job description of Bus Monitor as presented during the committee of the whole meeting.  
So Voted.

**Approve Teaching a Sixth Class:**

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

**Wolcott High School:**

<b>Charles Tutalo</b>	<b>Foods II</b>
<b>Katie Garrigus</b>	<b>Instructional Center (IC)</b>
<b>Kristin Garcia</b>	<b>Instructional Center (IC)</b>
<b>Kelly Gunneson</b>	<b>Mathematics</b>
<b>James Crandell</b>	<b>Instructional Center (IC)</b>
<b>John Waitkus</b>	<b>Phoenix</b>
<b>Kristen Klemshefsky</b>	<b>Instructional Center (IC)</b>
<b>Lisa Durant</b>	<b>Instructional Center (IC)</b>

So voted

**Nomination(s):**

Motion: by Mr. Gugliotti, seconded by Mr. D’Angelo to appoint the following person(s) as indicated:

1. **Judith Baranowski**- to the position of School Psychologist at Alcott School effective August 26, 2020;
2. **Sierra Ferguson**- to the position of Special Education Teacher at Tyrrell Middle School effective August 26, 2020;
3. **Megan Sforza**- to the position of Special Education Paraprofessional at Alcott School effective August 26, 2020;
4. **Helen Tricarico**-to the position of Special Education Paraprofessional at Frisbie School effective August 26, 2020;
5. **Stipend Positions 2020 – 2021**

Per Attached List.

So voted

**Items for the Next Agenda:**

The next meeting is September 8, 2020. Board members can contact the Board of Education Office if you have additional agenda items.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by Mr. Hughes, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 p.m. So voted.

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