

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT**

A Board of Education meeting was held on Monday, June 9, 2014, at Wolcott High School. In attendance were: Patricia Najarian, Chairman of the Board; Cynthia Mancini, Secretary of the Board; Thomas Buzzelli, Gloria Clair, Lori DelBuono, Roberta Leonard, Arthur Lerz, and Kimberly Lumia, all Board members. Also in attendance: Joseph Macary, Superintendent of Schools; Todd Bendtsen, Business Manager; Frank Purcaro, Director of Curriculum and Professional Development; Joseph Monroe, Principal of Wolcott High School; Walter Drewry, Assistant Principal of Wolcott High School; Deborah Osvald, Assistant Principal of Wolcott High School; Shawn Simpson, Assistant Principal of Tyrrell Middle School; Holly Wrenn, Principal of Alcott School; Joseph Norcross, Principal of Frisbie School; Robert Nagashima, Principal of Wakelee School; Melissa Iles, Director of Student Services; Wendie Rodriguez, Supervisor of Special Education; WHS' Top 25 Seniors; a WEA Representative; and Joan Gray, Board Clerk.

The regular Board meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m., the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Approval of Minutes:

Motion: by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Ms. DelBuono, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 27, 2014. So voted.

Communications:

Thank you note from Mrs. Rodriguez
Letter from Mr. Curley
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Business Manager's Report:

Expenditures:

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Lumia, to approve the July 2014 payroll expenditure in the amount of **\$430,000.**

To approve expenditures in the amount of **\$560,807.69** paid on June 10, 2014 for fiscal year 2013-2014.
So voted.

Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Monroe introduced the Wolcott High Schools top 25 seniors. They are

Class Ranking for Top 25 Seniors Class of 2014

Rank:

- 1 Meghan Kelly
- 2 Caleb Sisson
- 3 Roni Crumb
- 4 Julia Vanasse
- 5 Miranda Briggs
- 6 Matthew Carnein
- 7 Jenna-Lynn Kelley
- 8 Alex Keane
- 9 Austin Miller
- 10 Helena Saro
- 11 Cara Valenti
- 12 Caitlin Bisailon
- 13 Kristina Onofreo
- 14 Nicole Mulhall
- 15 Ersilda Ajce
- 16 Xhovana Collaku
- 17 Danielle Sforza
- 18 Caroline Critelli
- 19 Kevin Roberts
- 20 Alex Gauthier
- 21 Emily Page
- 22 Emily Caffrey
- 23 Gabrielle Gambino
- 24 Andrea Valerio
- 25 Leana Jannetty

Motion: by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Mr. Buzzelli, for the Board to take a 15 recess to congratulate the students and their parents.

The meeting reconvened at 8:15 p.m.

The Principals gave two minute updates on their schools.

Mr. Purcaro reported on SBAC testing and also the Committees completing work on Common Core Curriculum.

The Superintendent notified the Board that the Administrators have gone through the teacher appraisal process as outlined in Connecticut Statute 10-151, and they have been completed.

Wolcott Summer Studies is starting on June 30th. The Program is held at Tyrrell Middle School for five weeks from 8:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Monday to Friday.

The Wolcott Public School conducts an annual “end of the year” survey. It can be accessed on the District’s website to participate.

Graduation for Tyrrell Middle School will be June 24th at 4:00 p.m. in Tyrrell’s Gymnasium and graduation for Wolcott High School will be June 24th at 7:00 p.m. at the high school on Monroe Field (weather permitting). The last day of school for all students is Tuesday, June 24, 2014. June 23 and 24 will be early dismissal days for students.

Motion: by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Ms. DelBuono, to approve the Superintendent’s Report. So voted.

Public Comment:

No one came forward.

Committee Reports:

Mrs. Mancini said the Finance Committee met earlier. Pending invoices, budget reports for fiscal year 2013-2014, oil prices, and the District’s health claims, were discussed.

Mrs. Najarian reported that the Facilities Committee met and received a report by Mr. Bendtsen on projects and the bonding referendum. A list of names will be submitted to the Mayor as potential members of a building committee for the schools.

OLD BUSINESS:

Approve the 2014-2015 School Handbooks – Final Vote:

Motion: by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Mrs. Clair, to approve on final vote the 2014-2015 Handbooks as follows:

The Elementary Schools Parents/Guardians Handbook

Tyrrell Middle School Student Handbook

Wolcott High School Student Handbook

So voted.

NEW BUSINESS:**Approve – Resignation:**

Motion: by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Ms. DelBuono, to accept the following resignations of:

1. **Joe DiLeo** in the position of SHAPE Counselor at Wolcott High School at the end of the 2013-2014 school year;
 2. **Lee Kelsey** in the position of Co-Coach of the Boys Soccer Team at Tyrrell Middle School for the 2014-2015 school year;
 3. **Lysa Margiotta** in the position of Special Education Teacher – STEP at Wolcott High School effective at the end of the 2013-2014 school year;
 4. **Eleanor Martin** in the position of Special Education Teacher at Wolcott High School for the purpose of retirement effective at the end of the 2013-2014 school year;
 5. **Irene Roman** in the position of Grade 1 Teacher at Frisbie Elementary School effective at the end of the 2013-2014 school year;
 6. **Rebekah Wry** in the position of Social Studies Teacher at Tyrrell Middle School effective at the end of the 2013-2014 school year.
- So voted.

Approve – Transfer Between Jobs:

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

1. **Mark Berube** from the position of Special Education Teacher – Phoenix at Wolcott High School to the position of Special Education Teacher – STEP at Wolcott High School effective August 25, 2014;
2. **Marian Boisvert** from the position of Grade 8 Math Teacher at Tyrrell Middle School to the position of Grade 7 Math Teacher at Tyrrell Middle School effective August 25, 2014;
3. **Karen Craig** from the position of English Teacher at Wolcott High School to the position of Grade 8 English/Language Arts Teacher at Tyrrell Middle School effective August 25, 2014;
4. **Marie Finelli** from the position of Grade 3 Teacher at Frisbie School to the position of Kindergarten Teacher at Frisbie School effective August 25, 2014;
5. **Shannon Gomez** from the position of Kindergarten Teacher at Frisbie School to the position of Grade 1 Teacher at Frisbie School effective August 25, 2014;
6. **Deborah Nicol** from the position of Grade 8 English/Language Arts Teacher at Tyrrell Middle School to the position of English/Language Arts Teacher at Wolcott High School effective August 25, 2014;

- 7. **Mary Ellen Rosa** from the position of Grade 6 English/Language Arts Teacher at Tyrrell Middle School to the position of English/Language Arts Teacher at Wolcott High School effective August 25, 2014;
- 8. **Tara Taylor** from the position of Grade 2 Teacher at Frisbie School to the position of Grade 3 Teacher at Frisbie School effective August 25, 2014.
- 9. **Nancy Wilson** from the position of English Teacher at Wolcott High School to the position of Grade 6 English/Language Arts Teacher at Tyrrell Middle School effective August 25, 2014.

So voted.

Approve – Nominations:

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

- 1. **Dan Goldstone** in the position of Track Coach at Tyrrell Middle School effective with the 2014 spring season;
- 2. **Lee Kelsey** in the position of Assistant Track Coach at Tyrrell Middle School effective with the 2014 spring season;
- 3. **Joanne Riback** in the position of Staff Member for the Reading Intervention Program at the 2014 Summer Studies Program effective from July 14 to August 1, 2014;
- 4. **Patricia Stanco** in the position of Special Education Paraprofessional for the 2014 Summer Studies Program;
- 5. **Mike Terry** in the position of Boys Soccer Team Coach at Tyrrell Middle School for the 2014 fall season;

6. **2014 Winter Sports Coaches:**

Lee Kelsey	Girls Basketball
Scott Blacker & Mike Terry	Boys Basketball Co-Coaches
Anna Bartoli	Cheerleading

So voted.

Permission to Dispose of Equipment:

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to give permission to dispose of the following equipment:

- 1. A 1995 Pickup Truck being used by the Maintenance Department
- 2. A single door refrigerator at Tyrrell School, Serial #00015592, Asset Tag #04580.

So voted.

ADD TO THE AGENDA:

Approve – Resignation:

Motion: by Ms. Leonard, seconded by Mr. Buzzelli, to add to the agenda to accept the resignation of **Jessica Sanzo** in the position of Mathematics Teacher at Tyrrell Middle School effective immediately.

Motion by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to accept the resignation of **Jessica Sanzo** in the position of Mathematics Teacher at Tyrrell Middle School effective immediately.

Time for the Public:

Theresa Marin, 486 Center Street, spoke about Project Safe Graduation being held June 24th.

Items for the Next Agenda:

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion: by Mr. Buzzelli, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to take a 5 minute recess at 8:45 p.m., then go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of a confidential student matter which would result in disclosure of information protected by FERPA, and discussion regarding the employment of certified employee(s).

Motion: by Ms. Leonard, seconded by Mr. Lerz, to come out of Executive Session and reconvene the regular meeting at 9:25 p.m. So voted.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: by Ms. DelBuono, seconded by Mrs. Lumia, to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:26 p.m. So voted.