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MONDAY
7:30 P.M.

GOOGLE MEET
PHONE # 1 601-589-0314 (PIN: 747 869 073#)

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BOARD OF EDUCATION WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT May 24, 2021

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 May 10, 2021
- B. Public Session Expulsion Hearing of May 18, 2021

III. Committee Reports

IV. Communications

V. Business Manager's Report

- A. Expenditures
- B. Budget Transfers

VI. Superintendent's Report

- A Superintendent's Report

VII. Public Comment

VIII. Old Business

- IX. New Business
 - A. Discussion and Possible Action on the Naming of the Wolcott High School Basketball Court
 - B. Discussion and Possible Action on the 2020 – 2021 Extracurricular Stipend Positions
 - C. Adopt a Policy – Student Wellness Policy – Initial Vote
 - D. Nomination(s)
 - E. Consent Agenda
 - 1. Resignation(s)
 - 2. Transfer(s)
 - 3. Leave Request(s)
- X. Public Comment
- XI Items for the Next Agenda
- XII. Adjournment

Note:
Committee of the Whole 6:45 P.M. Google Meet:

AGENDA

1. Business Manager's Report;
2. CASA Student Survey Results;
3. Discussion on the 2020 – 2021 Extracurricular Stipend Positions;
4. Discussion on the Naming of the Wolcott High School Basketball Court;
5. Possible discussion on items that appear on this evening's BOE Agenda.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education was held on Monday, May 10, 2021, 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; Christopher Charette, Kathleen Cordone, Tony Gugliotti, Sean Hughes, and Timothy McMurray. Also in attendance: Dr. Anthony Gasper, Superintendent of Schools; Shawn Simpson, Assistant Superintendent; Todd Bendtsen, Business Manager; Rosa Ramalhete, Supervisor of Student Services; Joe Morgan, Assistant Principal of Wolcott High School; Dan Caetano, Assistant Principal of Tyrrell Middle School; Kim Murtaugh, Principal of Frisbie School; Jessica Abbott, Facilities Director; Nicole Lefebvre, Food Service Director; Jeremy DeRoy, Director of IT; 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 Ms. Leonard, seconded by Mr. Gugliotti, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 26, 2021.
So voted

Committee Reports:

The Facilities Naming Committee met prior to the Board meeting, there was a statement from the petitioner and a discussion on what the petitioner stated to the Board, and had a discussion on if Coach James Scully meets the requirements of the Board Policy to have the Gymnasium Court named after him. After discussion, the Committee decided that they would like to bring the decision to the full Board for a vote.

Communications:

Valedictorian and Salutatorian Class of 2021
Invite to the 40th Annual Senior Awards Night
Invite to the SHAPE Banquet

Business Manager's Report:

Mr. Bendtsen gave his report on variable accounts, budget reports, pending vendor invoices, health claims, fund account balance, purchase property services, and the Wolcott High School Roof Project.

Expenditures:

Motion: by Mr. Gugliotti, seconded by Mr. D'Angelo, to approve expenditures for **\$809,945.65** paid on May 11, 2021 for fiscal year 2020-2021.

To approve the June 2021 payroll estimate for **\$4,000,000.00**.
So voted.

Superintendent's Report:

The Superintendent gave his report on the more than 300 families who have expressed interest in receiving the COVID-19 vaccination for those twelve years of age and older being held on May 16th.

Dr. Gasper also stated that Last week, the Wolcott Town Council approved three bond questions to go before the voters. One of these three questions has a direct impact on our schools. As many know, the artificial turf and running track have outlived their predicted service life, bleachers at WHS and TMS are in need of updating to come into compliance with modern code, and HVAC equipment at TMS is in need of replacement. The bond question will read: *SHALL THE TOWN OF WOLCOTT APPROPRIATE \$1,410,000 FOR A NEW ARTIFICIAL TURF AND RUNNING TRACK AT WOLCOTT HIGH SCHOOL, A NEW HVAC CHILLER UNIT AT TYRRELL MIDDLE SCHOOL, AND REPAIRS TO THE BLEACHERS AT WOLCOTT HIGH SCHOOL AND TYRRELL MIDDLE SCHOOL AND TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUE OF BONDS, NOTES OR TEMPORARY NOTES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,410,000 TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION?* Anyone with questions is encouraged to contact my office for further details.

The superintendent also spoke of the influx of recovery monies that we will be receiving in the next few months and was pleased to report that COVID rates within the school system continue to decline.

Lastly he stated, as we begin to wrap up this most unusual of school years, he'd like to thank once again the Board of Education, instructional staff, nurses, custodians, administrative assistants, administrators, counseling staff, and everyone who has kept Wolcott's kids safe and learning.

Motion: by Mr. D'Angelo, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to approve the Superintendent's Report as presented.
So voted.

Public Comment:

No Comment.

Approve the 2021 – 2022 Handbook – Final Vote:

Motion: by Mrs. Cordone, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to approve on final vote of the 2021-2022 Student Handbooks, as presented in Committee of the Whole, as follows:
The Elementary Schools Parents/Guardians Handbook
Tyrrell Middle School Student Handbook
Wolcott High School Student Handbook
So voted.

Acceptance of Wolcott High School Roof Replacement Building Project:

Motion: by Mr. Gugliotti, seconded by Mr. Charette to approve and accept the closing out of the Wolcott High School Roof Replacement Project, State Project #166-0079 with a final projected cost of **\$71,409.50.**
So voted.

Nomination(s):

Motion: by Mr. Gugliotti, seconded by Mrs. Cordone to appoint the following person(s) as indicated:
1. **Shea Keeley** to the position of Special Education Paraprofessional at Tyrrell Middle School effective May 12, 2021;
So voted.

Consent Agenda:

Motion: by Mrs. Mazza, second by Mr. Gugliotti, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented:

1. **Resignation(s):**

- a. **Tammy Couture** from the position of Grade 1 Teacher at Wakelee School, for the purposes of retirement, effective at the end of the 2020 – 2021 school year;
 - b. **Kennedy Pavlik** from the position of Special Education Paraprofessional at Wakelee School, effective at the end of the 2020 – 2021 school year;
 - c. **Sara Vumbaca** from the position of Art Teacher at Alcott and Frisbie Schools effective at the end of the 2020 – 2021 school year.
2. **Fund-Raiser Activity Approval – Gifts, Grants, and Bequest**
- a. Wolcott High School request a gift/donation of Gift Card and Dorm Basket for the Senior Prom Giveaway Table with a gift/donation value of \$200.00.

So voted.

Public Comment:

Lauren Gunderson, 84 Barclare Lane read a letter from her son to the Board. The letter was regarding her son staying on the Robotics team although he will be attending a school outside of Wolcott next year. Mrs. Gunderson stated that he is good in Robotics and there have been racial issues in the past, she will contact the NAACP and a Lawyer if her son is not allowed to participate in Robotics.

Items for the Next Agenda:

The next meeting is May 24th. Board members can contact the Board of Education Office if you have additional agenda items.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Mrs. Cordone, seconded by Mr. Gugliotti, to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 p.m.
So voted.

Recordings of all Board of Education Meetings that have been on Google Meet could be found on the Wolcott Public Schools Website: www.wolcottps.org

**WOLCOTT BOARD OF EDUCATION
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT**

An Expulsion Hearing was held at the Board Offices at Alcott School on Tuesday, May 18, 2021. In attendance were: Paul D'Angelo, Vice-Chairman of the Board; Anthony Gugliotti, and Tim McMurray. Attorney Christine Chinni, representing the Board of Education; Dr. Anthony Gasper, Superintendent of Schools; Joe Norcross, Principal of Tyrrell Middle School; Dan Caetano, Assistant Principal of Tyrrell Middle School; Officer Angelo Mauriello, School Resource Officer; Parent K.C; Student L.C. and Jessica Kenny, Board Clerk.

Motion: by Mr. Gugliotti, seconded by Mr. McMurray, to enter into Executive Session at 6:14 p.m. to conduct a student Expulsion Hearing, to protect the identity of the minor student. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion: by Mr. Gugliotti, seconded by Mr. McMurray, to go into Public Session. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion: by Mr. Gugliotti, seconded by Mr. McMurray, move that the Wolcott Board of Education find, based on the evidence in the record, that on May 06, 2021, the Student, who is the subject of this hearing was in possession of Marijuana at Tyrrell Middle School during the school day, and that this constitutes an expellable offense. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion: by Mr. Gugliotti, seconded by Mr. McMurray, to enter into Executive Session to conduct Part B of the Hearing, which is the penalty stage. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion: by Mr. Gugliotti, seconded by Mr. McMurray, to go into Public Session. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion: by Mr. Gugliotti, seconded by Mr. McMurray, move that the Student who is the subject of this hearing shall be expelled from Wolcott Public Schools for 258 Calendar days until January 20, 2022.

And moved further that the Student may be permitted to reenter school early by the Superintendent if he complies with the conditions set forth in the Superintendent's May 18, 2021 recommendation, and the

Superintendent provides verbal notice to the Board before making his decision.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion: by Mr. Gugliotti, seconded by Mr. McMurray, to come out of executive session and reconvene the meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion: by Mr. Gugliotti, seconded by Mr. McMurray to adjourn the meeting at 6:51 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

May 24, 2021

Facilities Naming Committee – May 10, 2021

Operations and Programs – May 17, 2021

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT**

A meeting of the Facilities Naming Committee was held on Monday, May 10, 2021, on Google Meet. In attendance were: Christopher Charette , Chairman of the Committee; Cynthia Mancini, Chairman of the Board; Kathleen Cordone, Anthony Gasper, Superintendent; Bryan MacKay, Assistant Principal of Wolcott High School; Dominic Angiolillo, Residence; Matt Craig, Teacher at Wolcott High School; Dane Hassan, Resident; Linda Ligi, Parent; James Scully, Jr., Petitioner; and Jessica Kenny, Board Clerk.

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by Mr. Christopher Charette.

Mr. Scully Jr. gave a statement to the committee regarding James Scully Sr. He spoke of the accomplishments of James Scully Sr. He was a coach for a long time, a Wolcott Athlete and Athletic Director, still continues to contribute to the Wolcott Community, one way is through a scholarship. Mr. Scully Jr. stated that this would be a great honor to have this done.

Next the committee had a discussion on the accomplishments of Mr. Scully Sr. The committee went through the Outcome of Facilities Naming Committee Deliberations, they spoke of the evidence that the committee heard that made the nominee stand out. They also reviewed the section of the form that states if the committee has any comments regarding a decline to recommend, no one commented.

Motion: Mr. Angiolillo, seconded by Mrs. Mancini bring to the full Board to name the Basketball Court at Wolcott High School.
So voted.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mr. Hassan, to adjourn the meeting at 6:33 p.m.
So voted.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
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A meeting of Operations and Programs was held on Monday, May 17, 2021, on Google Meet. In attendance were: Cynthia Mancini, Chairman of the Board; Roberta Leonard, Chairman of Operations and Programs and Secretary of the Board; and Kathy Cordone. Also in attendance: Anthony Gasper, Superintendent of Schools; Shawn Simpson, Assistant Superintendent; Nicole Lefebvre, Food Service Director; Matt Calabrese, Principal of Alcott School; Cristy Bredice, Teacher at Alcott School; and Matt Toller, Teacher at Wolcott High School; and Jessica Kenny, Board Clerk.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Ms. Leonard. Mr. Simpson, Mrs. Lefebvre, and Mr. Calabrese presented updates and modifications to the Student Wellness Policies. They also reviewed the goals and challenges. The revised student wellness policy will be going before the full board at their next meeting.

Next, Dr. Gasper, Mr. Simpson, Mr. Calabrese, Ms. Bredice, and Mr. Toller had a discussion on distance learning, they spoke of the struggles that had happened over this past year and what next school year will look like if distance learning continued. Although there has not been guidance from the state of Connecticut about distance learning last year, the discussion was a good one to have to start preparing for decisions that may be made.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mrs. Cordone, seconded by Mrs. Mancini adjourn the meeting at 8:03 p.m.

Communications Folder

Monday, 05.24.2021

Items:

- Thank you Card(s)
 - Letter from Parent(s)
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Resolution No. 05-24-21: 8377

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – May 24, 2021

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 \$347,084.89 paid on May 25, 2021 for fiscal year 2020-2021.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – May 24, 2021

RESOLUTION: BUDGET TRANSFER(S)

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

To authorize the transfer of **\$290,271.64** from fiscal year 2020-2021 as presented, in the Business Manager's report.



**The Superintendent's
report will be
presented on
Monday night**

Fundraiser Report

May 24, 2021

DATE	SCHOOL	GROUP/PERSON	DESCRIPTION OF FUNDRAISER
May 25 - June 14	Central Office	Food Service	Donate Lunch Account Balances to the Wolcott Food Pantry, if parents wish to.
Jun 1 - Jun 6	WHS	WHS Student Theater	Tickets to the Sprint Musical "All things Oz", to raise funds to support the WHS Student Theater program.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – May 24, 2021

RESOLUTION: ADOPT A POLICY – INITIAL VOTE

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

To Adopt on Initial Vote a Board Policy #6142.101 – Student Wellness Policy as presented during the Operations and Programs Meeting.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – May 24, 2021

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. **Alyson Cipollone** to the position of Classroom Teacher at Wakelee School effective August 23, 2021;
2. **Kellie Martinjuk** to the position of Classroom Teacher at Wakelee School effective August 23, 2021;
3. **Lisa Varrone** to the position of Cheer Coach at Wolcott High School effective for the 2021 – 2021 Fall and Winter Seasons;
4. **Summer 2021 WSSP Nominations:**
As Per Attached List

(See attached)

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HIRING CHECKLIST FOR EXTERNAL CANDIDATES:

Name of Candidate: Alyson Cipollone

Position: Classroom Teacher

Location: Wakelee Elementary School

I. DOCUMENTATION:

This checklist, the traditional recommendation to the superintendent form, and all of the following documents must be provided to Megan Patchkofsky by the administrator recommending the final candidate to the Superintendent for nomination to the Board of Education:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Printout of Talent Ed application | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> At least three reference check forms |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cover letter or letter of interest | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Copies of all pertinent licenses and certifications |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Résumé | |

II. APPLICANT POOL AND SELECTION PROCESS:

Describe the number of qualified applicants for this position and the structure of the selection process:

There were 60 qualified applicants for this position. First round involved 22 candidates and the second round involved 7 candidates. Alyson Cipollone is one of three candidates recommended to the superintendent to fill three vacancies.

III. INTERVIEW SUMMARY:

In general terms, describe the interview committee for this position:

The interview team included the reading teacher, the head teacher and the principal.

IV. CANDIDATE PROFILE:

In general terms, summarize what has distinguished this candidate above the others:

This candidate is an experienced teacher from a private school. She has experience with using data to inform her practice, has experience in the primary grades, and has a strong background in literacy. She was clearly the strongest candidate in our interviews.

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HIRING CHECKLIST FOR EXTERNAL CANDIDATES:

Name of Candidate: Kellie Martinjuk

Position: Classroom Teacher

Location: Wakelee School

I. DOCUMENTATION:

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- x Printout of Talent Ed application
- x Cover letter or letter of interest
- x Résumé
- x At least three reference check forms
- x Copies of all pertinent licenses and certifications

II. APPLICANT POOL AND SELECTION PROCESS:

Describe the number of qualified applicants for this position and the structure of the selection process:

There were 60 qualified applicants for this position. First round involved 22 candidates and the second round involved 7 candidates. Kellie Martinjuk is one of three candidates recommended to the superintendent to fill three vacancies.

III. INTERVIEW SUMMARY:

In general terms, describe the interview committee for this position:

The interview team included the reading teacher, the head teacher and the principal.

IV. CANDIDATE PROFILE:

In general terms, summarize what has distinguished this candidate above the others:

This candidate is an experienced teacher from a district similar to ours in Pennsylvania. She has experience as a classroom teacher and instructional coach. She is familiar with strong instructional strategies and collaborates with all stakeholders. She was clearly the strongest candidate in our interviews.

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HIRING CHECKLIST FOR EXTERNAL CANDIDATES:

Name of Candidate: Lisa Varrone Position: Head Cheer Coach (Fall/Winter) Location: Wolcott High School

I. DOCUMENTATION:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Résumé | |

II. APPLICANT POOL AND SELECTION PROCESS:

Describe the number of qualified applicants for this position and the structure of the selection process:

There was one qualified external candidate for the position of Cheer Coach. The candidate was interviewed about their qualifications before a committee.

III. INTERVIEW SUMMARY:

In general terms, describe the interview committee for this position:

The interview committee included Wolcott's Athletic Director and Tyrrell Middle School's Cheer Coach.

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HIRING CHECKLIST FOR EXTERNAL CANDIDATES:

Name of Candidate: Allison Minahan

Position: Summer Studies Position

Location: Wolcott Public Schools

I. DOCUMENTATION:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Résumé | |

II. APPLICANT POOL AND SELECTION PROCESS:

Describe the number of qualified applicants for this position and the structure of the selection process:

There were 4 qualified applicants for this position. One round of four external applicants. Four candidates recommended to the superintendent.

III. INTERVIEW SUMMARY:

In general terms, describe the interview committee for this position:

Interview team included Director of Summer Studies and Assistant Director of Summer Studies.

IV. CANDIDATE PROFILE:

In general terms, summarize what has distinguished this candidate above the others:

This candidate has experienced internship programs from a district similar to ours. Experience with meeting student goals, familiar with elements of our school growth plan and the expectations of the Wolcott Summer Studies Program. Background with Columbia Teacher's College Reading and Writing Units of study along with various online learning tools. Strong background with performing at formal school-related meetings. Strong candidate for the position during our interviews.

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HIRING CHECKLIST FOR EXTERNAL CANDIDATES:

Name of Candidate: Christopher Carlone

Position: Summer Studies Position

Location: Wolcott Public Schools

I. DOCUMENTATION:

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II. APPLICANT POOL AND SELECTION PROCESS:

Describe the number of qualified applicants for this position and the structure of the selection process:

There were 4 qualified applicants for this position. One round of four external applicants. Four candidates recommended to the superintendent.

III. INTERVIEW SUMMARY:

In general terms, describe the interview committee for this position:

Interview team included Director of Summer Studies and Assistant Director of Summer Studies.

IV. CANDIDATE PROFILE:

In general terms, summarize what has distinguished this candidate above the others:

This candidate has experienced internship programs from a district similar to ours. Experience with meeting student goals, familiar with elements of our school growth plan and the expectations of the Wolcott Summer Studies Program. Much internship experience. Strong background with performing school related teaching duties. Strong candidate for the position during our interviews.

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HIRING CHECKLIST FOR EXTERNAL CANDIDATES:

Name of Candidate: Kailby Schommer

Position: Summer Studies Position

Location: Wolcott Public Schools

I. DOCUMENTATION:

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II. APPLICANT POOL AND SELECTION PROCESS:

Describe the number of qualified applicants for this position and the structure of the selection process:

There were 4 qualified applicants for this position. One round of four external applicants. Four candidates recommended to the superintendent.

III. INTERVIEW SUMMARY:

In general terms, describe the interview committee for this position:

Interview team included Director of Summer Studies and Assistant Director of Summer Studies.

IV. CANDIDATE PROFILE:

In general terms, summarize what has distinguished this candidate above the others:

This candidate has experienced internship programs from a district similar to ours. Experience with meeting student goals, familiar with elements of our school growth plan and the expectations of the Wolcott Summer Studies Program. Internship and substitute teacher. Strong background with performing at formal school-related meetings. Strong candidate for the position during our interviews.

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HIRING CHECKLIST FOR EXTERNAL CANDIDATES:

Name of Candidate: Victoria Becker Position: Summer Studies Position
Location: Wolcott Public Schools

I. DOCUMENTATION:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Résumé | |

II. APPLICANT POOL AND SELECTION PROCESS:

Describe the number of qualified applicants for this position and the structure of the selection process:

There were 4 qualified applicants for this position. One round of four external applicants. Four candidates recommended to the superintendent.

III. INTERVIEW SUMMARY:

In general terms, describe the interview committee for this position:

Interview team included Director of Summer Studies and Assistant Director of Summer Studies.

IV. CANDIDATE PROFILE:

In general terms, summarize what has distinguished this candidate above the others:

Three phone call references wholeheartedly recommended her for the program.

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REFERENCE CHECK

This form is to be used for all applicants applying for positions within Wolcott Public Schools.

Name of Candidate: Victoria Becker

Name of Reference: Julie Wrenn

Contact number(s) for reference: 203-233-6871

Relationship of reference to the candidate: Friend

Length of time reference has known candidate: 3
 Months Years

Ask the reference to speak about the candidate in relation to the following:

Would you provide a general overview of Ms. Victoria Becker's performance, including personal and professional strengths and target areas for growth?

Works hard. Co-leader for Girl Scouts. Achieving Gold Award through Girl Scouts.

Would you describe Ms. Victoria Becker's relationship with colleagues, students, parents, and community members?

Quiet but will stand her ground.

Would you hire/rehire Ms. Victoria Becker if you were in a position to do so?

Yes, without reservation

Yes, with reservation (reason provided): Click here to enter text.

No (reason provided): Click here to enter text.

Interviewer's Signature: _____

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REFERENCE CHECK

This form is to be used for all applicants applying for positions within Wolcott Public Schools.

Name of Candidate: Victoria Becker

Name of Reference: Thomas Pelosi

Contact number(s) for reference: 203-879-8164

Relationship of reference to the candidate: Teacher

Length of time reference has known candidate: 4
 Months Years

Ask the reference to speak about the candidate in relation to the following:

Would you provide a general overview of Ms. Victoria Becker's performance, including personal and professional strengths and target areas for growth?

She was a student at WHS for four years.

Would you describe Ms. Victoria Becker's relationship with colleagues, students, parents, and community members?

Wonderful young lady. I vouch for her. Certainly hire her.

Would you hire/rehire Ms. Victoria Becker if you were in a position to do so?

Yes, without reservation

Yes, with reservation (reason provided): Click here to enter text.

No (reason provided): Click here to enter text.

Interviewer's Signature: _____

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REFERENCE CHECK

This form is to be used for all applicants applying for positions within Wolcott Public Schools.

Name of Candidate: Victoria Becker

Name of Reference: Amanda Brencher

Contact number(s) for reference: 203-879-8160

Relationship of reference to the candidate: Mentor / Friend

Length of time reference has known candidate: 8
 Months Years

Ask the reference to speak about the candidate in relation to the following:

Would you provide a general overview of Ms. Victoria Becker's performance, including personal and professional strengths and target areas for growth?

Sweet girl. Had her as my fifth grade student. She was a sub at Alcott. Growth area would be classroom management.

Would you describe Ms. Victoria Becker's relationship with colleagues, students, parents, and community members?

Sweet girl.

Would you hire/rehire Ms. Victoria Becker if you were in a position to do so?

Yes, without reservation

Yes, with reservation (reason provided): Click here to enter text.

No (reason provided): Click here to enter text.

Interviewer's Signature: _____

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Stedus", written over a horizontal line.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – May 24, 2021

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. **Lorenzo Baker** from the position of Assistant Football Coach at Wolcott High School, effective May 6, 2021.
- 2. Transfer(s):**
 - a. Debra Frageau from the position of Special Education Paraprofessional to the position of Classroom Teacher at Wakelee School, effective August 23, 2021.
- 3. Leave Request**
 - a. **Katie Wesseling**, PE and Health Teacher at Frisbie School, requests an unpaid leave of absence to commence after her FMLA ends through the end of the 2021-2022 school year.

(See attached)

WHS Athletics



To: Superintendent/Board of Education
From: Tyler Meccariello, Athletic Director

Date: May 6th, 2021

Please accept the attached letter of resignation from the WHS Assistant Football Coach, Lorenzo Baker.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tyler Meccariello', written in a cursive style.

Tyler Meccariello
Athletic Director

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HIRING CHECKLIST FOR EXTERNAL CANDIDATES:

Name of Candidate: Debra Frageau
Location: Wakelee Elementary School

Position: Classroom Teacher

I. DOCUMENTATION:

This checklist, the traditional recommendation to the superintendent form, and all of the following documents must be provided to Megan Patchkofsky by the administrator recommending the final candidate to the Superintendent for nomination to the Board of Education:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Printout of Talent Ed application | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> At least three reference check forms |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cover letter or letter of interest | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Copies of all pertinent licenses and certifications |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Résumé | |

II. APPLICANT POOL AND SELECTION PROCESS:

Describe the number of qualified applicants for this position and the structure of the selection process:

There were 60 qualified applicants for this position. First round involved 22 candidates and the second round involved 7 candidates. Debra Frageau is one of three candidates recommended to the superintendent to fill three vacancies.

III. INTERVIEW SUMMARY:

In general terms, describe the interview committee for this position:

The interview team included the reading teacher, the head teacher and the principal.

IV. CANDIDATE PROFILE:

In general terms, summarize what has distinguished this candidate above the others:

This candidate is an experienced teacher that has been working as a paraprofessional in Wakelee School for the past two years. She has experience with using data to inform her practice, has experience in preschool and kindergarten instruction, and has a strong understanding in differentiation. She was clearly the strongest candidate in our interviews.